



Minutes

Indigenous Advisory Council

Friday, May 10, 2024

12:30 PM PST – 2:30 PM PST

In-Person Meeting Location

Seattle City Hall 600 4th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104

Room L280

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Remote Meeting Location

WebEx



Members Present

Councilmember Donny Stevenson, Megan Castillo, Councilmember Sailto, & Derrick Belgarde

Members Excused

Councilmember Jay Mills, Councilmember Jeremy Takala, Esther Lucero, Asia Tail, & Jaci McCormack.

Meeting Guests

Aja Hazelhoff, Dakota Murray, & Tim Lehman

Items

Number	Topic	Time
1	Welcome and Opening Blessing	5 min
2	Approval of the Agenda (May) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No quorum. Approval of the Minutes (March) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No quorum. 	5 min
3	One Seattle Comprehensive Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representatives from the Office of Planning and Community Development (OPCD) briefed IAC members on the outreach and engagement strategies for Tribal and urban Native engagement in the One Seattle Plan (Comprehensive Plan). The draft plan public comment period was extended through May 20, 2024. The One Seattle Plan is a 20-year plan for growth within the City of Seattle. It is required by the Washington State Growth Management Act. It guides coordinated action by City departments and City Council. It is updated every 10-years. The One Seattle Plan began outreach and engagement for the current 10-year update in 2022 and the draft plan was released late in 2023. After the current round of public comment, an additional public engagement period is anticipated in 2024 when the City Council takes on consideration of the draft plan. Representatives discussed the evolution of the growth strategy the includes newly expanded and rebranded 7 Regional Centers, 24 Urban Centers, and 24 Neighborhood Centers. The draft plan includes expanded zoning for middle housing; apartments and mixed-use along transit corridors, affordable housing incentives near transit, and neighborhood corner stores. Through ~2 years of public engagement, Indigenous community stakeholders shared experiences with displacement and advocated for the City to adopt, modify, or strengthen strategies to shield and 	50 min

protect vulnerable communities from further displacements. Core themes of recommendations included: 1) adopt a more equitable growth strategy including zoning that allows for more housing in more places and opportunities for low-displacement risks areas to be more inclusive of Native-led development, 2) develop a right to return policy to address long history of Native displacement, 3) support community ownership and development of land; and 4) support cultural anchors. This feedback came through many avenues, including partnerships with community-based organizations, urban Native listening sessions, Community Liaison partnerships, meetings with Tribal representatives, and listening circles with organizations serving Native people. The IAC has previous shared feedback on the anti-displacement framework woven into the draft plan.

- OPCD’s outreach and engagement led to increased references to Tribal and urban Native priorities throughout the draft plan, especially in sections on housing, land use, arts and culture, community involvement, and parks and open space. Representatives shared specific examples of Tribal and urban Native priorities being integrated into the draft plan by identifying references in key policies.
- The IAC shared feedback on outreach and engagement strategies including support for ongoing Tribal Consultation with Tribal governments and a need for more engagement with urban Native organizations working with Native people experiencing homelessness. Member shared an example of Tribal planning work and how aligning timelines and processes and building in feedback loops with Tribal partners is fundamental important to ongoing engagement frameworks. Member shared the example of State agencies holding annual Tribal Consultation sessions as a standardize and routine means of Tribal engagement as one method for promoting stronger intergovernmental relationships and relationship building among electeds and staff. The importance of connecting policy issues to those that enact policy through direct service roles was named as a critical linkage to understanding how documents like the One Seattle Plan impact residents.

4	Native Youth Priorities Review	25 min
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members reviewed the list of youth priorities shared by UNEA youth interns. Staff analyzed the list to identify items that align with current IAC policy priorities, existing or upcoming City programming and services, and items that are outside of City jurisdiction. Members 	

expressed support for youth-led priorities and wanted to bring select priorities forward in the strategic plan and annual work plan update to ensure integration of youth priorities.

5	<p>Old Business</p> <p>Indigenous Peoples’ Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three IAC members will serve on a workgroup to guide oversight of Indigenous Peoples’ Day. The workgroup will meet periodically to determine the scope and role of IAC oversight including event sponsorships to implementing organizations. Routine updates and recommendations will be brought to the IAC for discussion. <p>Legislative Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IAC members have completed introductory legislative meetings with nine Seattle City Councilmembers. Introductory meetings have been opportunities for members to introduce the IAC to new and existing City Councilmembers, share IAC policy priorities, and learn about council interests. <p>2024 IAC Retreat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 31 at Salish Lodge will be the IAC annual retreat. The retreat will be facilitated by Headwater People Consulting. Members discussed the agenda, including a 2023-2024 recap and reflection, strategy sessions for activating committees, and a group discussion to update of the strategic plan and annual workplan. <p>National Civic League All-America City finalist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seattle has applied for and was selected as a finalist for the National Civic League’s All-America City competition. Tribal and urban Native engagement was featured as one of three projects. DON staff will compete in Denver in June 2024 to be named a 2024 All-America City. 	25 min
6	<p>Member Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No member announcements. 	10 min
7	<p>Hybrid Public Comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no requests for public comment. 	Up to 10 min
8	<p>Closing & Next Steps</p>	