



Meeting Minutes

PBIA Advisory Board

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11:00 AM

Room 112

Special Meeting of the Communications & Partnerships Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Corso called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 2 - Chair Mary Corso and Boardmember Bobbi Kerr

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff Liaison and Senior Planner Amy Buckler
Downtown Liaison Mark Rentfrow

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. BUSINESS ITEMS

3.A [17-0897](#) Strategic Planning Exercise

In 2016, the Board developed a 5-Year Strategic Plan with the objective of providing policy direction for considering how to direct future investment of PBIA funds in Downtown. The Plan was intended to be dynamic and updated once Olympia's Downtown Strategy was complete. The Board is refining the Plan to establish clarity about what the PBIA does and why, to establish a stronger foundation for ratepayer communication.

Ms. Buckler explained her intention to organize the Committee's goals into manageable outcomes based on what is appropriate for the Committee, to help ratepayers get a sense of what the Committee does and why. This is being done so that the Committee's goals can be included in both the Work Plan for the Board and communications to ratepayers.

Ms. Buckler walked the group through the basics of a "So that" exercise aimed at helping to identify the appropriate roles and responsibilities of the Communications & Partnerships Committee. The topics centered on projects the PBIA's Communications & Partnerships Committee is engaged in and how it contributes to the PBIA's mission.

Topics/Questions for the group included:

- What is the role of the Communications & Partnerships Committee - what do you do?
- Why is what you do important?
- Who is it important to?

Ms. Buckler explained how the PBIA Work Plan influences funding decisions and the direction of the Board's actions.

This exercise was undertaken to provide clarity to City staff and elected officials who oversee the operations of the PBIA.

The exercise was completed.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.