

Community Advisory Workgroup

Meeting Summary

Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

CAW Members Present: Alec Anderson, Stephen Bernath, Tierra Bonds, Courtney Cecale , Tom Crawford, Juan Haeckerman, Rachel Hastings, Lorenzo Larios, Kim Piper, Shannon Sipher, and Lauren Tamboer.

CAW Members Absent: Ashley Houston, Matthew Landers.

Staff Members Present: Pamela Braff (City of Olympia), Julia Downing (Thurston County), Rebecca Harvey (Thurston County), and Alyssa Jones Wood (City of Tumwater).

Facilitators: Eleanor Garrett (EXP)

Agenda Item	Notes
1. Welcome and Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm.
2. Announcements a. Staff Announcements	None.
b. CAW Member Announcements	<p>Stephen Bernath</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A Bike Walk Roll summit sponsored by Cascade Bike will be held next spring<ul style="list-style-type: none">Information here.Intercity Transit is redoing their route system and taking comments through the end of the year. Stephen provided comments at their most recent hearing. <p>Lorenzo Larios</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">He is spearheading composting at Tumwater High School. Lorenzo worked with Matthew Landers to coordinate this action.
3. Upcoming Agendas	The CAW reviewed the upcoming agenda for 2025. No changes were requested.
4. Business Items a. Energize Thurston Program Update <i>Speakers: Rebecca Harvey (Thurston County), Julia Downing (Thurston County)</i>	<p>Julia Downing and Rebecca Harvey gave a presentation outlining the final outcomes of the 2025 Energize Thurston program and looking ahead to the 2026 campaign. For the 2025 campaign, they provided details like statistics for workshop attendance, applications, and installations; estimations of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions through the program, and feedback from participants. For the upcoming 2026 campaign, they discussed the new model for the program and discussed the potential funding sources that the jurisdictions will apply for to fund the program.</p> <p>CAW members followed up with praise for the success of the program and questions about the 2026 program.</p>

b. 2026 TCMC Community Advisory Workgroup Workplan	CAW members reviewed the 8 agenda proposals that were submitted following the October meeting and discussed the logistics, format, and ideal outcomes of each. The CAW will be choosing their final workplan items remotely following this discussion.
5. Adjourn	The meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.