



Minutes

Indigenous Advisory Council

Friday, June 14, 2024

12:30 PM PST – 2:30 PM PST

In-Person Meeting Location

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

Room 370

[Instructions for visiting Seattle City Hall \(bus access, parking, & building access\)](#)

Remote Meeting Location

WebEx



Members Present

Councilmember Jay Mills, Suzanne Sailto, & Derrick Belgarde

Members Excused

Vice Chair Donny Stevenson, Councilmember Jeremy Takala, Megan Castillo, Esther Lucero, Asia Tail, & Jaci McCormack

Meeting Guests

Snowy Johnson, Craig Dee, Annavey Skenandore, Shaquan Smith, Kim Deriana, & Demarus Tevuk

Items

Number	Topic	Time
1	Welcome and Opening Blessing	5 min
2	Approval of the Agenda (June) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No quorum. 	5 min
3	Fred Hutchinson Tribal Cancer Care Summit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representatives from Fred Hutchinson Cancer Care Center provided updates on the planning of a 2024 Tribal Cancer Care Summit. Representatives shared statistics and data on the need for a Tribally specific cancer summit in the Pacific Northwest. Representatives discussed the initial goals and structure of a summit and sought guidance on timing, location, and scope of topics. Members expressed interest and support for a Tribally driven summit that met the unique needs of Native people. Members expressed support for the integration of the Indian healthcare system alongside other cancer care and major health system partners to promote better integration across health care systems. Members expressed the need for a centralized location that is accessible to Tribal and urban Native partners statewide and ideally a Tribal enterprise to promote Tribal economic development where possible. 	35 min
4	Parks CommUNITY Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A representative from Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) shared an update on the Parks CommUNITY, a participatory budgeting program for parks projects. The Indigenous Advisory Council has the opportunity to review proposals that may impact Native communities to share additional context and questions for SPR staff to consider as proposals are formalized and advanced to a participatory budgeting process in summer 2024. IAC members shared some feedback on a few proposals, including feedback to SPR to consider integrating renewal energy when possible, consider past 	30 min

IAC feedback on the development of the Parks CommUNITY Fund program plan, and considering findings and recommendations from the City of Seattle | Tribal Nations Summit and Seattle Parks and Recreation | Tribal Nations Gathering. IAC members opted to have the Thriving Native Communities considering taking an additional review of the proposal by early July. TBD if the committee will have time and capacity to share additional considerations.

5 Thriving Native Futures Convening 20 min

- Representatives of sləp̓iləbəx^w Rising Tides Indigenous Planning Group shared an overview of the Thriving Native Futures: Convening for Native Community Wellness meeting June 26-28 in downtown Seattle. The convening seeks to bring Tribal and urban Native communities together to further develop protocols, goals, and a community action plan that can help advance the findings of the Native Neighborhood Community Study. The event will include speakers from across the region that will discuss Coast Salish values for community planning, urban Native economic and housing development, a Native youth panel, and food sovereignty mapping through an urban Native lens. An evening networking event will be co-sponsored with the SUNN Collaborative on June 26.

6 Old Business 30 min

2024 Annual Work Plan and Strategic Plan update

- Recap of the May 31 retreat, including group discussions on updating the 3-year strategic plan and 2024-2025 annual work plan. It is anticipated draft 1 of an annual work plan will be ready for IAC review at the July meeting.

Indigenous Peoples’ Day

- IAC member reviewed the progress of the Indigenous Peoples’ Day workgroup who has convened once to determine shared expectations for 2024 IPD programming. These include 1) spaces that are created by Tribal and urban Native communities with the primary focus of celebrating Native and Indigenous people; 2) public events that cultivate a sense of belonging through accessibility and inclusivity, including free public access, programming that serves a diversity of Native cultures, ages, gender identities, and abilities; and 3) spaces that encourage inter-tribal organizing and foster unity among Native and Indigenous people with an emphasis on community-led and collaborative event organizing. The workgroup has pursued fiscal sponsorship in the event that outside fundraising is needed, but thus far many event organizing groups have already or

plan to lead independent fundraising. The workgroup has determined that the IAC can support implementing organizations through centralized poster design, marketing, and event sponsorships.

Thunderbird Treatment Center

- IAC members discussed shared support for the relocation of Thunderbird Treatment Center to Vashon Island. Members discussed the possibility of a letter of support to King County Council.

National Civic League – All America City

- The City of Seattle traveled to Denver to compete in the National Civic League’s All-America City competition in June 2024. Seattle was named an All-America City.

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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly invoicing for April-June is due July 31. 	