**September 14, 2021 Meeting - Seattle Community Technology Advisory Board**

Topics covered included: Address by Councilmember Alex Pedersen; Committee Updates

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**Attending:  (All via Webex)**

**Board Members:** Rene Peters, Camille Malonzo, Nicole Espy, Femi Adebayo, Brandon Lindsey, Lassana Magassa, John Krull, Mark DeLoura

**Public:** Councilmember Alex Pedersen,Dorene Cornwell, Eryk Waligora, Harte Daniels, Coleman Entringer, Carl Hiltbrenner, Tara Zaremba, Theresa Enguerra, Nestor Enguerra, Sharon Navas, Reneeka Massey-Jones, Kris Larsen, Tara

**Staff:** Trayce Cantrell, Alice Lawson, Cara Vallier, David Keyes, Vinh Tang, Aurilee Gamboa, Cass Magnuski

**28 In Attendance**

**Rene Peters:**   For everybody's benefit, we record the meetings as always, just for the purposes of taking the minutes; and while there will be a text read-out published to our web site, there won't be an audio recording posted on the web site. Welcome, everybody to the September edition of CTAB. Glad to have you here to spend a couple of hours with us. As always, I'd like to open with a quick acknowledgement that we in the City of Seattle are on the traditional land of the First People of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who past and present live here. So, we wanted to present a little honor and gratitude to the Duwamish Tribe.

We have a really exciting meeting today. As you can see, we have Cara Vallier and Councilmember Pedersen here to do an update and presentation for us. It's definitely one of the most exciting meetings of our calendar year. And before we get to that presentation, I wanted to get a quick order of business out of the way and approve the minutes from our last meeting in August, if you remember. These minutes were sent out with this month's agenda. Last month, we had a welcome address from Jim Loter. He is our interim CTO. He gave us a sense of some of the priorities that he is focused on. We also had a really great presentation from Prof. Ryan Calo, from the University of Washington, centering around the law and cybersecurity. So, thank you to the Privacy and Cybersecurity Committee for arranging that presentation. So, with that, I will go ahead and open the floor for a motion to approve those minutes. Hopefully, everybody got a chance to review them.

**Camille Malonzo:**   This is Camille. I move to approve the minutes.

**Rene Peters:**   Thanks, Camille. Do I have a second for Camille?

**Nicole Espy:**   I second.

**Rene Peters:**   Thank you, Nicole. Can I have the 'ayes' please? Are there any 'nays' or abstentions?

**John Krull:**   I will abstain, since I wasn't here.

**Rene Peters:**   Are there any 'nays?' Okay, thank you. Next....

**Cass Magnuski:**  You did not have a quorum on that vote.

**Brandon Lindsey:**  Here is an 'aye' from Brandon. Sorry. Technical difficulties.

**Cass Magnuski:**  Oh, okay.

**Rene Peters:**   Thanks, Brandon. So, by my count that should be four 'ayes,' and one abstain. So, keep me honest, Cass. We should be good to roll on, right?

**Cass Magnuski:**  Works for me.

**Rene Peters:**   Okay, thanks. So, this agenda centers around the presentation from Cara Vallier and Councilmember Pedersen. You've seen that in email form. Can we have a motion for approving this agenda?

**John Krull:**  I move that we approve the agenda.

**Brandon Lindsey:**   I second.

**Rene Peters:**   Thank you. Can I have the 'ayes' please? Any 'nays' or abstentions? Lovely. So, thanks, everyone, for that. And I think our presenter needs no further introduction. But just quickly, for members of the public, who are present with us, CTAB, of course, as we know advises Seattle City Council and the Seattle Mayor's Office on issues of cybersecurity and privacy, digital equity, and all of the issues that we have been focusing on all year. One thing that folks may not really have front of mind is that CTAB technically rolls up to City Council by way of the Transportation and Utilities Committee on Seattle City Council, which is led by Councilmember Pedersen. So, it's always great to be in partnership with him, and to have him here to get updates. He is a key stakeholder for a lot of the work that we do, whether it's the Technology Matching Fund or some of the commentary that we provide to the City and to City Council. And we work very closely with Cara Vallier. And so it's great to have them here to speak with us. And with that, I will hand the mic off to the Councilmember and to Cara. Thank you so much for spending time with us today.

**COUNCILMEMBER ALEX PEDERSEN'S UPDATE**

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Thank you for the invitation. And thanks for enabling Cara at regular meetings frequently. I really appreciate everything that you all do all the time. Earlier today I was reviewing 26 pages of minutes from your last meeting. I think it was terrific that you had Jim Loter here, the interim director. It's amazing the strong bench that they have there now. I think Jim is going to provide great leadership during this transition period. And also, there's a new Chief Information Security Officer.

We're going to show a PowerPoint briefly, but it's really just to sort of walk through some key points that Rene mentioned. One of the things not on there is cybersecurity, and I wanted to address that first. It's something that we hear a lot about because there are constant cyberattacks. You've obviously read things in the newspapers about hackings that hurt and information that is stolen and cyber ransomware issues. The new CISO is Greg Smith who replaces Andrew Cushman. Greg Smith has great experience, as well. So, we are very fortunate to be well-protected. It is something, though, that is top of mind for me as the chair of the committee that helps to monitor the Information Technology Department. I just wanted to assure you that IDT is focused on cybersecurity to protect our data, to protect our City from ransomware. We also have a special responsibility as a City that runs its own water system, and its own electricity system to protect those from any sort of mechanical attacks that would happen through technology. So, I just wanted to assure you that that is top of mind. And then, we'll talk also about -- you'll hear about I think Jim Loter mentioned two-factor authentication being an important basic protection that we need to roll out City-wide. For those of you who have used it, there's a little bit of a hassle factor and learning curve for folks. And we're going to have to get all of the 12,000 City employees to get on board with two-factor authentication, and with so many people working from home (unintelligible).... So, I want to assure you that cybersecurity is top of mind, and we can now go to the PowerPoint presentation. We can go ahead and share the screen if you're not already sharing it. Thanks, Cara, for putting this together for us. And it's topics that Rene had pointed out. With equity....

**Rene Peters:**   I just want to do a quick tech check. Is anyone else having audio issues hearing the Councilmember?

**Cass Magnuski:**  I am having bad audio issues. The Councilmember keeps dropping in and out.

**Cara Vallier:**  Maybe he should turn off his camera and just go with audio. That might help.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Does this sound better to you right now?

**Cass Magnuski:**  It does to me.

**Rene Peters:**   It sounds good.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Okay, good. What was happening is I was using Bluetooth and I just had one of my ear pods in, and now I have both of them in. Normally, I wouldn't go into such detail, but this is the technology group, so I wanted to tell you what made it work.

So, just to back up a little bit, even though cyber-technology and cybersecurity is not part of this presentation, I wanted you all to know that that is top of mind. It is a priority for me as the chair of the committee that oversees technology for the City. I was mentioning that in addition to having an interim director of "Seattle Information Technology, and also a chief information security officer, Greg Smith. And one of the key things that they'll be implementing is two-factor authentication for a lot of the programs that City employees are using, so they have the basic protection of the two-factor authentication.

We will have time at the end for some questions, but we'll just run through this quickly. Some of the things you are familiar with, basically, the equity issue, Internet for All, and then the surveillance technology. We're going to run through these slides pretty quickly. I think there are about 20 of them. I've got it up on a different screen. This is another tech trick, right? Redundancy.

I wanted to start off with some good news, which is that Seattle IT won an award, the Digital Inclusion Trailblazer designation from the National Digital Inclusion Alliance. This was for our Internet for All -- not just the resolution form City Council, but also for when the technology team came back with that.

The next slide is just me pontificating to brag about that on behalf of the City and what a great thing that we got this recognition. Into the details on Slide 4 we've got the key strategies. What does this mean, Internet for All? We're trying to basically get internet to everybody, affordable access that's also reliable, because as you know, the access when people had to work at home suddenly, and study form home -- it's important that they have sufficient bandwidth to do everything that they needed to do in a multi-person household during the Covid pandemic, which is still the case. So, getting that affordable access, and not just access but also getting people to adopt the technology, to get introduced to it, to feel comfortable with it. So, these eight strategies, the Internet for All action plan is online. It's on my web site; it's on IT's web site, and it goes into great detail on how to do this. But the goal is to get everybody in the City that access and then to get them to adopt it and use it, because that leads to jobs, medical care, education, and it's necessary. It's just the basics that everybody needs.

Slide 5 is just talking about metrics that are going to be measured. Ultimately, we're going to survey throughout the City, a very robust survey. If you go to Slide 6, it's just talking about different aspects of Internet for All. One of the items there that's highlighted is the dashboard, and the dashboard is our way of tracking the metrics. That's going to be a public dashboard so that everybody can see whether we're cheating with what the progress to goals is, and to make sure that we're actually moving the needle forward on getting more people access, more people adopting it and using it and have what they need. During Covid, this access became more urgent, so we try to make universal access. We also had to do things immediately, We couldn't just wait around and plan. We're really pleased that the federal government stepped up and provided some additional subsidies and benefits. The Emergency Broadband benefit was implemented. If you go to the next slide, there (unintelligible).... The Technology Matching Fund, one of the things we did was more funding. We doubled it. This was something, when the funding came down from the federal government, everybody quickly identified the Technology Matching Fund as something successful, and we would love to doubled down on that and get more money out the door for those groups that are provided services. Can you all hear me okay, still?

**Rene Peters:**   There are still a couple of moments where you're dropping out. Are there any alternatives that we could try? Maybe on your headset?

**Vinh Tang:**   This is Vinh. Do you want to disable your video? The bandwidth -- Cara, you're the one who is advancing the slides, right? Let's see if that works better.

**Cara Vallier:**   That's right.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Yes. I turned off my video. How does this sound?

**Cara Vallier:**   I think it sounds better.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Okay. What I was just talking about is the wonders of the Technology Matching Fund program. It's been around for such a long time and so successful. So, when we received federal dollars to help our residents on a number of fronts there was quick consensus that what we should do is double down on the Technology Matching Fund, and get that money out the door as quickly as possible to use the most recent round of funding and just go further down the list. On Slide 10, you'll see that we doubled how much money was going out the door. Thank you for all of your work on that. Slide 11 is just repeating what I just said. Slide 12 is somewhat of a reference document, as well, but we'll just run through it quickly. I think you can go down to Slide 14 is the original winners, as you all know. And then, Slide15 is the supplemental awards that were made. A lot of that went to south Seattle. So, that was talking about Internet for All, the equity issues, the Technology Matching Fund, efforts during Covid, and then strategies going forward to provide that universal access and adoption of affordable and reliable internet.

The Surveillance Ordinance: Slide 17 talks about the ordinance that was adopted before I was on the City Council. Of course, Vinh is on the phone here, and he gets to implement part of his creation with the City Council staff. Bruce Harrell and Lorena Gonzalez both worked on this. What we're doing now is, over the past year and a half, we've been reviewing the surveillance impact for Ports. Council is, if you keep going down the slide -- let's just go ahead and skip down to Slide 21. You all are familiar with this process, I believe, for the surveillance impact reports. It goes through a very thorough process. Right there in the middle, there's a working group that's very important. And then, the IT Department is working on these, along with the departments that have the technologies. And then the City Council reviews those surveillance impact reports, makes some modifications, improving them. We've gone through, previous to my being here, so-called Group One. Then when I was here, we went through Group 2 and Group 3. We're doing Group 4a tomorrow in our committee, which is just a couple of technologies. We'll show you the list in a second here. But I wanted to point out the bottom of Slide 21 an important element of the Surveillance Ordinance is that there are follow-up audits by the City Auditor. The City Auditor reports to the City Council, as you probably know. And then the Office of Inspector General does follow-up audits for Police technologies. So, there is a backstop there, even after this lengthy process. And then, for new technologies, if they meet the definition of surveillance, they have to go through this process. So, even as we work our way through these retroactive or legacy technologies, we will keep going. If we get new technologies and it has the ability to surveil, we will be putting it through this SIR process.

We were asked to provide a list of what's left of these retroactive technologies. So if you look at Slide 22, I divided them into two groups because we've got our City budget process coming up and the Mayor is about to cement her City budget proposal to the City Council. And so, we don't meet on anything except the budget for two months or so. So, we divided these up into two groups, 4a and 4b. Four-A is -- asset B is the fire department. It's really just cameras that they bring to hazardous materials situations or other emergencies. Those are online right now. If you look at our Transportation Utilities Committee, on the agenda for tomorrow, you'll see the two SIRs for those technologies. It's in one piece of legislation. Acyclica got a lot of attention because their parent company, there was an investigative report about the former parent company. One of the problems is that they keep changing and merging. From a SIR standpoint, the good news is this technology is being phased out by the Seattle Department of Transportation. They're going to be getting rid of it by the end of this year. And so, we are going to get a report on this tomorrow promised where there was that report that came out on the parent company where that was disturbing. We will be able to hear what SDOT is doing about this. So, we are going to hear from them tomorrow in a briefing and discussion during our committee. Acyclica, which is transportation management technology to help with traffic flow. But it was disturbing that the parent company was accused of doing in other realms.

Seattle Police Department has more existing technology that will be coming through. This is going to be because of our City budget process coming up. This list is part of 4b. Actually, if you'll go on to the next slide, you'll see that there are other things in so-called 4b. So, December and January, that will be a busy time for us to go through the rest of these retroactive existing technologies.

If we go down to Slide 24, the Surveillance Working Group, we're always looking for volunteers for that group. We've got a good group. As you know, it's hard to meet during Covid, and these are folks who have lots of other things going on like you do. They're always looking for folks to join the Surveillance Working Group. You can apply online if any of you are interested.

And that is just a quick presentation. I know you all knew most of that stuff already, but I just wanted to go through what has been the basic foundational focus on what we're working on in our committee right now in regards to technology. I'm happy to take some questions.

**Nicole Espy:**   With my internet, I might be breaking up also. This is Nicole, co-chair of Privacy and Cybersecurity. Our committee drafted two memos. The first was abut Internet for All. There wasn't really a mention about cybersecurity in that report. And then, we also created a public comment memo that was approved by the board for Group 4a technologies. So, I guess my general question is how are these memos received? Are they helpful? These two memos mostly have questions rather than statements. So, I wonder if there is a mechanism for a response so that we can work together?

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Thank you for that question. Cara, can you speak to that?

**Cara Vallier:**  Yes, sure. I'm trying to recall your memos, but I do think that cybersecurity is something that is being addressed. And as the Councilmember mentioned, more globally being addressed on something like the WiFi hotspots, for example, security that's being done through the library. There is no information being collected about the public through any of the Internet for All strategies. Wanting to know more, for example, from the private sector, about who is signing up for the discount programs. That would be anonymized data that we would like to receive. And I think that Alice Lawson might be here now, and she could talk about how they're collecting that information that's really vital for us to understand how we're closing the gap, using the first three digits of a Zipcode, for example. Did I see Alice here? Or maybe David Keyes knows more about that.

**David Keyes:**  This is David. I'll jump in quickly. I don't think Alice is here. The Emergency Broadband Benefit, we're starting to see more data coming in. They actually just released a database providing the Emergency Broadband Benefit information by five digits, rather than three digits. That was very broad, so that made it more challenging to have meaningful information. So, that's getting better. And I see that Alice is on, just trying to get on the chat so that she can add to this, as well. So, that starts to provide us with more information to try and work towards mapping that for how many people are eligible for the benefit program, as well, so we know what percentage of people are receiving it. We're still detailing individual providers and who is getting that benefit, which we don't have yet. But it's nice to see the FCC provide more data.

**Alice Lawson:**   Sorry, I wasn't fast enough. What David said is accurate, and what we're finding is that they're releasing it on a monthly basis. So, weekly, we can look at the federal level, by the first three digits of the Zipcodes. That's very high level. It's very hard for us to get very granular around Seattle. But now, starting October 1 -- and they just released a September 1 list that does apply the five-digit Zipcode, so that does allow us to see more by City zones where people are participating.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   And I want to say that I appreciate your referring to the April memo that you sent. I appreciate that you are also concerned about when we get people who adopt, and people who are providing access, and some of the technology is new, to also help those who are getting started with this technology to be aware of how to protect themselves, and how to not fall prey to cyberattacks or phishing schemes. One of the ways we can do that as we get that last five percent to that access and adoption, or the last ten percent, depending on which metric we use, is to get to employ digital navigators who are helping people to adopt this technology, and that has to be part of it, the cyber protection for those individuals. So, they're really getting the benefit of the technology and not the downsides of being a victim of a cyberattack.

**Cara Vallier:**  I think I also saw a question in the comments about how to make comments. The CTAB letter was included in the SIR that was reviewed, and we used that very much for reference. And I know central staff goes through and carefully examines the issues that are raised through that letter that CTAB has presented on the technologies previously. And coming up for Group 4b, please do send that letter to me if it hasn't already been included during the SIR process.

**Rene Peters:**   I believe that's some of the technologies that were part of 4a as of June, when the Privacy and Cybersecurity Committee sent that memo, and now shifted into Group B. I expect that there will be another reevaluation of what shifted where, and about the timing, and we'll get some memos out for those, as well. So, glad to hear that they're useful. And thanks again to the subcommittee who are putting those together.

**Harte Daniels:**  So, I'm not on Webex. It's giving me some trouble. My name is Harte Daniels. I'm with the Digital Equity and Inclusion Committee. Somebody said something to me, so I can't see who he is. It sounded like Alive, but I can also send it to Cara. On the Internet for All comments, it sounds like they're into a second edition of that. My basic question, IFA by its very name bespeaks equality more than moving towards equity, because we're into the last five percent for equality. And in the first one that I read, there was a comment that Seattle couldn't do what San Jose did about raising funds to help with equity because of an FTC ruling on what is called shock clock. However, I still have a question on that, so I can send it to either Alice or Cara or both as to why San Jose with that shock clock ruling was there in advance of San Jose making their negotiations with the so-called partners for raising money for digital equity. And I'm wondering whether Seattle should not give up the ghost so easily, and just ask San Jose how they were able to negotiate, even with that FTC ruling.

Second, the question of partners. DEI gets reports, but we're a little bit vague on which partners are doing what. My suggestion for partners is to tier the partners in order to say, like platinum, gold, bronze, etc. And in this way, those partners might be more competitive with each other in assisting the City. For example, it has taken me a long time. I know that the FTC in granting T-Mobile to merge with Sprint was that they continue Sprint's work with hotspots, etc. for low-income people. And I can never find any information. During our DEI meeting -- I don't know if Ricardo is on the line -- he mentioned that T-Mobile made presentations along those lines to the Renton School District. Well, DEI constituency is more than children. And it would be nice for DEI and CTAB, Rene or someone, to be able to have these partners speak to how they're helping with this work.

And lastly, moving towards equity would be another subject matter of education, but that, I think, is a little bit beyond the parameters set forth by ISA, so those comments would be separate. But those are my two, partners and the shock clock, and what we can do to increase the so-called partners' assistance with equity. Thank you.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Thank you. I really appreciate those questions. I think that's a great idea about tiering the partners. I think I understand what you're saying is basically to confer a designation on them for how much they are being helpful. They would all want to have that premier status. And if they don't, they'll see that they only got the bronze, and it's public, and it hopefully inspires them to do more, to get up to a better tier. Is that right?

**Harte Daniels:**  Yes. You've got it. I'm trying to allow for some diplomacy because as we're getting reports to the committee, some of the partners are willing to give equipment, but if they're a wireless company, or an internet company, they're not willing to help with rate plans.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   I agree. I think that's a great idea. Just to assure you, when we're talking about Internet for All, we want everybody to have affordable access, what's affordable to them. So equity is baked into it. It's not just equality, but it is equity, so those who have a greater need are going to have a greater benefit from Internet for All. And there's a big emphasis on expanding no or low-cost connectivity options in targeted areas of the City. That's one of the strategies, increasing awareness and adoption of low-cost internet programs. It is meant to bring everybody up to what is equitable, not just equal.

**Harte Daniels:**  Yes, I accept all of those points. I was just thinking of equality in changing past discriminations, etc., and get involved a little bit more. But that's like the next phase beyond what you're doing right now, so I do accept what you're saying. As far as equity, I'm just a little bit anxious, being aspirational shall we say, in going a bit further. You were going to ask about San Jose?

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Yes, and that is something I'm not as familiar with. Maybe David Keyes can talk about that. We are looking at other cities.

**Harte Daniels:**  What it was abut was that San Jose, because the internet providers are cellular people who wanted to use city resources, like the towers, for their 5G. San Jose negotiated that part of the fee that they would use the city resources for, i.e., the towers, that they would pay a part of the fee towards assisting with equity. And in the IFA there was a statement that we could not do that because of this FTC ruling. That ruling was in place for San Jose. How does San Jose negotiate and get that fee for that. And there was one more, if you will indulge me, remembering that yes, the City created this resource site for people to go and check on stuff. But that's like the chicken or the egg. If you don't have the internet or device, it's hard to go to an online service. Also, I'm going to suggest to the City that they look at the same tools instead of creating new tools the County and others are using. Health departments or health groups, the County, and others are using United and (unintelligible) for 211. Anybody in technology knows that if you reduce the number of tools and make it simpler, you get a bigger result. I'll elaborate on those comments in an email later. My life has been extraordinarily busy this year, and I have not been able to write these things down for you. I apologize.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   So, I agree that we can't encourage people to adopt technology by using technology they don't have. And I know that our digital equity folks in IT know that, and that's just one pathway to deepen that access. But I know they intend to use other methods to reach people who don't have access. And I'm glad you clarified on this San Jose ruling. I actually had talked to the head of Seattle City Light about this issue, about 5G. I want to assure you that my approach is that if the private sector wants something from the City, we are going to extract the maximum public benefit from the private sector to benefit our residents. And so, we are not just going to implement 5G without extracting everything we can. I'm familiar, second hand, of the FCC ruling saying you're not allowed to over-extract from the private sector, but I agree that we don't want to just accept that. There are ways that we can be creative with this so that we are getting as much as we can from the private sector. And their desire to implement 5G is one of the ways to leverage that.

**Cara Vallier:**   And I can just follow up by saying that it's me, meaning Cara, and I put my email address in the chat if you want to send anything to me, I am happy to receive it. And I have actually been in touch with the library in San Jose to talk about that effort, and have looked through what those donations were to that fund, and how we can possibly look at a model like that. Those were voluntary contributions, and the library in San Jose, the chief librarian informed me that they were the fiscal agent in that operation. So, I think it's really a good point that you raise. Like the Councilmember said, I agree wholeheartedly that we want to see robust participation from the private sector, as well.

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Thank you. We have time for one more question. Rene, I don't know if....

**Rene Peters:**   We do have a question from Camille. Camille, do you want to come on and ask that?

**Camille Malonzo:**   Hi, Councilmember. Thanks again for joining us for our meeting tonight. It's always exciting when you come on by. My question is, in addition to continuing the great work around ISA and the Surveillance Ordinance, I know there's a lot happening with the budget, and with a lot moving forward, but what does 2022 look like for your office and technology? What opportunities and challenges are top of mind for you and for your office, and for the City Council?

**Councilmember Alex Pedersen:**   Thank you. I really believe it's the cybersecurity focus. So, in addition to making sure that we get progress on Internet for All, it's cybersecurity. And it's also the leadership at the department. So, there will be a new Mayor. There will be a new City Council president. Actually, when Saad Bashir was on his way out and I knew there was going to be a new security officer, I'm the most consistent person here. I need to make sure that all of these changes don't present a gap in our cybersecurity. And so, I've had several meetings about that issue, and feel much more confident about what's going on. Like I said, I'm impressed at the deep bench, a sports analogy, that the Seattle IT Department has. But because of the cyber-criminals and attackers always coming up with new technology and new techniques, I just want to stay on top of that. And a lot of that will be done internally so that we won't be advertising where our gaps are in cybersecurity, and stay on top of that, which is, I think, the most important thing. And then, making sure that the new Mayor is interested in these issues. And I think -- I can't support or oppose candidates, but we're in a good position. They're both aware of these issues, so that's great. I think they're both recognizing technology and cybersecurity, and increasing access. So, I think from CTAB's perspective these transitions will be okay for technology. Thank you, everybody. I really appreciate it, and I'll be back. Please continue to email us, and when in doubt, just add other people to the email, and somebody will get to it and read it. If we do not always reply, we're always considering what you're sending in and appreciate your expertise and your commitment to the City for these issues. So, thank you, everybody, so much.

**Rene Peters:**  Thank you so much, Councilmember, for the presentation and the time. So glad you were able to look through some of our minutes. Just like last year, we'll be sending you an exhaustive summary of all of the things that we've been up to. But, as we talked about, whether it's the Technology Matching Fund or some of these memos on the Surveillance Ordinance and beyond, we're always looking to be supportive, and we'll continue to work with you and with Cara to be as supportive as possible to push these things forward. And Cara, I promised Cass Magnuski that I would ask you to send the slides that go along with this presentation so we can post them. So, thank you again.

**Cass Magnuski:**  I'd like to break in and say that I have email Cara Vallier and asked for them.

**Cara Vallier:**   Thank you all for having us.

**Rene Peters:**  All right! Take care. See you soon. So, that was an excellent presentation, and hopefully, that was for not only board members, but everyone public and beyond to just get a sense of some of these high-level priorities that we have been supporting, and how they are received within Seattle City government, and what exactly happens to some of the work that we send out and distribute outside of this board. So, super exciting to hear that perspective from him.

With that agenda item under our belts, I'll actually circle back now and go up to the top of the agenda, because we did not do the introductions for the meeting. I'm not sure I've seen any newbies on the attendance list, but we'll just quickly run through who we are, what affiliation we have, and where we are calling from.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**Rene Peters:**  Thank you, everybody, for the introductions. The next item on the agenda is our committee updates. And so, how about we go Digital Equity, since we've already gotten the light pitch from Harte. Are there any updates from you or Coleman Entringer. Feel free.

**COMMITTEE UPDATES**

**DIGITAL EQUITY**

**Harte Daniels:**   I would go with Coleman. He ran the meeting last month.

**Coleman Entringer:**  Yes, I can give a brief update. The point that Harte mentioned regarding telecoms and the (unintelligible)...digital equity work (unintelligible)....

**Rene Peters:**  Sorry, Coleman, can you repeat the last sentence? You're getting a little bit quieter as the update is going on.

**Coleman Entringer:**  Yes, sorry about that. I'm on the street. At the last meeting we were discussing some of the handoffs in regards to Vicky Yuki's departure, and we (unintelligible), but that's pretty much it.

**Rene Peters:**  Thanks very much. Next, we'll do Privacy and Cybersecurity.

**PRIVACY AND CYBERSECURITY**

**Nicole Espy:**   I'll chime in. It was really helpful getting the updates from Councilmember Pedersen about the utility of the memos that we sent in earlier this year. We will continue to plan for future comments on the upcoming Group 4b technologies. But then, we would also like to, in the next couple of months, continue to schedule some speakers on the topic of cybersecurity. If you guys have any interests or questions, it would be helpful. But I think we will have some good talks coming up. Camille, do you have anything you want to add?

**Camille Malonzo:**   I think that you covered it.

**Rene Peters:**  Prof. Calo was fantastic last month.

**Nicole Espy:**   That was great. We want to follow through on some of what we learned in his talk.

**Rene Peters:**  Absolutely. I had a meeting with Cara Vallier, who was just on a call. And she sent to me, and I forwarded it to Camille Malonzo and you, Nicole, the updated master list of all of the Surveillance Ordinance technologies. There's a little bit of a shift on how they split the groups, so some of the technologies that we already commented on are present in 4b, but we will get the ones that we haven't done yet. I will rally with you guys on that. I'm assuming that Smart Cities is a scratch again this month. Femi, was there any information that you got from Tyler or anybody else? I know you were kind of poking around.

**Femi Adebayo:**   No. Not yet. Maybe there's someone we can reach out to.

**Rene Peters:**  No worries. Excellent. Thank you very much. So, that will round out our committee updates and bring us to any public comments, which are any updates or questions or general commentary from any board members or any other attendees. The floor is open for you, so have at it.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Harte Daniels:**   For the Worldwide Human Geography group, which is free for everybody in the world, they had a webinar on the after-effects of Covid. If anybody wishes to see that. At the beginning of this month, they had the ONC, national coordinator for healthcare IT, a real long one. Their talk about equity in technology for healthcare and for people who don't have access to dental care, those who are discriminated in healthcare, etc., and how technology in HHS and the ONC are addressing those issues, if anybody wishes to check in on it.

**Rene Peters:**  Excellent. Thank you so much for that update.

**Kris Larsen:**  This is Kris with Equity in Education. I just started recognizing some of the names. Alice Lawson, thank you for attending the Franklin High School cell tower build on Saturday. That was pretty amazing. That was my first time in Franklin High School and seeing the old architecture that they are preserving there. Data lines, power lines, were run at Franklin High School and the tower is ready to go. We're just waiting on some of the blocks to come in sol we can set up the equipment. Said equipment is functioning over there, as expected. So, this is pretty exciting with the community network build-out becoming its own mesh network, basically. This week, Franklin is done. We already have Mary's Place done. Filipino Community Center. And of course, the Skyway Library. What I'd like to do is deal with Esther. I'm sure some of you have already met her. She's with UW and she is the lead on this project. But to try to have a hands-on experience with the system itself so you all can see how it actually works.

**Rene Peters:**  That would be really interesting. We should definitely connect on that. It's always cool to try to add a different dimension from the regular format, whether it's some other experience or maybe even a separate presentation that you can bring on the progress, I think that would be really, really fascinating for us. Perfect. Thank you very much. Any other questions, comments, or...?

**Harte Daniels:**   Vicky, if she were here, would ask us to remember that anybody that wishes to attend DELN, Digital Equity Learning Network, they could always use and would wish to have more people and citizens and residents attend our meeting. If you wish to look them up. DELN. Thank you.

**Rene Peters:**  Yes, they just dropped their Wordpress site in chat. Anyone who wants that resource, ask more questions or learn a little bit more, feel free to go there. <https://delnofskc.wordpress.com/>  Thanks for that. All right. Next month, we have a really exciting meeting again. Another heavy hitter from King County Council this time. Councilmember Kohl-Welles will be coming and talking about facial recognition legislation on the County level, which I think will be a really, really cool supplement to the City focus that we usually have month to month. One of the things that we notice this year is this regional focus, whether it was the Key Peninsula broadband presentation that we had earlier this year, this will be another fascinating way to understand a really leading-edge type issue in our region. So, hopefully we see everybody back here in a month. Until then, enjoy the rest of your September, and stay safe. Enjoy the daylight while it lasts. Take care, everybody.

**ADJOURNMENT**