



**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Doris Sorum, City Clerk, City Attorney’s Office  
Bill Fosbre, City Attorney, City Attorney’s Office  
**COPY:** City Council  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Nominating and Electing Council Member Keith Blocker as the Deputy Mayor of the City of Tacoma – January 7, 2020  
**DATE:** December 17, 2019

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**SUMMARY:**

Nominating and electing Council Member Keith Blocker to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2020.

**SPONSOR**

Mayor Woodards

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

Electing a Deputy Mayor to act as the presiding officer in the Mayor’s absence encourages and promotes an open, effective, results-oriented organization.

**BACKGROUND:**

Council Member Conor McCarthy’s term as Deputy Mayor will expire December 31, 2019. Council Member Keith Blocker’s interest in serving and seniority status qualify him as a candidate for Deputy Mayor. Per Ordinance No. 26767, the Deputy Mayor shall be a member of the City Council and shall be elected by the Council at its first meeting after such office becomes vacant, or as soon thereafter as practical. The term of such office shall be for one year.

**ISSUE:**

Council Member Conor McCarthy’s term as Deputy Mayor will expire December 31, 2019.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Council can make the nomination and election at a later date, or elect an alternate Council Member.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Nominating and electing Council Member Keith Blocker to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2020.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.