



**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk  
Bill Fosbre, City Attorney  
**COPY:** City Council  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Appointing and reappointing individuals to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board – August 22, 2023  
**DATE:** August 15, 2023

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**SUMMARY:**

Appointing and reappointing the following individuals to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board:

- Appointing Ava Sims to the “Youth” position to serve a one-year term, effective September 1, 2023, to expire June 30, 2024.
- Reappointing Sheree Cooks to the “District No. 4” position to serve a three-year term, to expire August 31, 2026.
- Reappointing Brian Robinson to the “Arts” position to serve a three-year term, to expire August 31, 2026.
- Reappointing Allison Campbell to the “Heritage” position to serve a three-year term, to expire August 31, 2026.
- Reappointing Amanda Figueroa to the “Science” position to serve a three-year term, to expire August 31, 2026.

**COUNCIL SPONSORS:**

Council Members Blocker, Bushnell, and Diaz.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

Appointing individuals to the Board best aligns with the strategic priority policy related to encouraging and promoting an open, effective, results-oriented organization because the Board advises the Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality on program outcomes and stewardship of funds. Its purpose is to guide program development and approve funding recommendations for the benefit of all residents of Tacoma. The primary responsibility of the Advisory Board is to ensure compliance to Tacoma Creates guidelines and accountability standards.

**BACKGROUND:**

At the August 8, 2023, Economic Development Committee meeting, the Committee reviewed applicants and recommended the reappointment of the individuals listed above.

The Mayor’s Youth Commission of Tacoma’s leadership team selected Ava Sims as their recommendation for the “Youth” position.

**ISSUE:**

Positions need to be filled on the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board would operate without full membership.



**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Economic Development Committee is recommending the appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.