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PRESENTERS: City Events and Recognition Committee – Jessica Johnston, Chair; Ashley Young, Tacoma Venue and Events, Special Events Coordinator
Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District – Adam Cook, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events
Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee – Kacee Woods, Equity in Contracting and Workforce Programs Manager, Community and Economic Development
Tacoma Arts Commission – Chair Kenya Shakoor
SUBJECT: Economic Development Committee Commission, Board, and Committee Reports
DATE: October 9, 2024

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:

Four of the five Committees, Boards, and Commissions (CBCs) assigned to the Economic Development Committee will provide brief presentations summarizing their accomplishments and priorities from the past year and update the Committee on their priorities for the future.

BACKGROUND:

The Economic Development Committee is responsible for the oversight of five Committees, Boards, and Commissions:

- City Events and Recognition Committee
- Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee
- Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District
- Tacoma Arts Commission
- Tacoma Creates Advisory Board

The Tacoma Creates Advisory Board was provided notice and invited to attend this informational briefing but will not be delivering a presentation; the Board will be presenting on the topic of its 2023 – 2024 Annual Report at the next EDC meeting, scheduled for October 29, 2024.

ISSUE:

CBCs and the Standing Committees to which they are assigned have historically had limited opportunities to engage and share information with each other. Without committee presentations such as these, Standing Committee involvement is generally limited to the interviews the Committee conducts to fill vacancies in CBC rosters and periodic Committee Member attendance at CBC meetings. CBC presentations to Standing Committees offer a perspective and meet a need that cannot be met by conducting interviews or attending CBC meetings; presentations, as opposed to general, CBC business meetings, provide Committee Members the macro- overview they need to exercise their CBC oversight responsibilities.



CBCs also rarely interact with other CBCs. This meeting provides an opportunity for CBC leaders to learn about the work their colleagues have been doing for the people of Tacoma and potentially apply take-aways from other CBC presentations to improve their own practice or operations.

ALTERNATIVES:

This is an informational briefing only. No alternatives are being presented.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This is an informational briefing only. There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an informational briefing only. No recommendation is being made.