



## WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

January 2, 2025

Members of the City Council  
City of Tacoma, Washington

**Dear Mayor and Council Members:**

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. Mayor Woodards provides the attached **Council Action Memorandum** for a Resolution appointing Council Member **Kiara Daniels as Deputy Mayor**.
2. Council Member Diaz provides the attached **Council Action Memorandum** for an Ordinance amending Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 12.08C, to **establish the distribution requirements for grease interceptor educational flyers**.
3. Deputy Mayor Hines provides the attached letter to the **Metro Parks Tacoma Board of Park Commissioners related to senior services**.
4. Public Works Director Ramiro Chavez provides the attached **November 2024 Vision Zero monthly crash report**.
5. **2024 Hazardous Tree Assistance Program**: In 2022, City Council allocated funding to create a Hazardous Tree Assistance program. This program covers 100% of the cost of hazardous tree removals from the public right-of-way, adjacent to qualifying property owners' homes. To qualify, either the adjoining property must be located within a moderate, low, or very low opportunity neighborhood according to the Equity Index, or the owner must qualify for utility bill financial assistance.

**In 2024, hazardous tree mitigation work had an additional emphasis on the Lincoln District, focusing on South L St, between South 38th to South 48th, an identified “priority maintenance corridor” in the City’s Urban Forest Management Plan. Along this corridor, work will be conducted beginning December 9, 2024, and will involve removal of 3 dead and/or hazardous trees and pruning of 100 trees for health and safety. All removed trees will be replaced with appropriate right-of-way tree species. One example of how this work directly supports our community includes a silver maple that measures 63 inches in trunk diameter, which had entered our code enforcement system as a violation (pictured below) due to its hazard tree status. If the City had not covered the cost for removal, this adjacent property owner would have been liable to pay for the removal themselves, at about \$16,000 in removal and wood disposal costs. Find out more about our hazardous tree assistance program at [www.cityoftacoma.org/hazardtree](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/hazardtree).**

6. City-funded Temporary and Emergency Shelter Performance: **The City posts weekly information about its Temporary and Emergency Shelter locations including current census, number of available beds, and exits to housing.** Updates are reported weekly, and this information can be found at:  
[https://cityoftacoma.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_6/File/NCS/weeklydataupdate.pdf](https://cityoftacoma.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/NCS/weeklydataupdate.pdf).
7. 2024 City Tree Planting Programs Report: The City of Tacoma manages and partners in 5 annual tree planting and distribution programs with our partners, the Tacoma Tree Foundation, Pierce Conservation District, Tacoma Public Utilities, and Pierce County. Through targeted outreach, increased engagement, and reducing participation barriers, the 2024 program successfully planted 1,336 trees at over 550 Tacoma Households, with support from over 130 volunteers. Specific 2024 program metrics are listed below:
  - **Green Blocks Lincoln**: selects one neighborhood of focus per year, funded by the City's Community Tree Program, in partnership with the City and the Tacoma Tree Foundation. 2024's focus neighborhood was the Lincoln International District. **Together 288 right-of-way trees were planted, near 150 households, supported by 82 volunteers.**
  - **Branch Out**: a tree giveaway collaboration between community partners to collectively grow the Tacoma-area urban forest. The intent is to uplift and call out the intersection of trees, human health, equity, and community building, through tree giveaways and offering additional resources to lower barriers to tree planting. **In 2024, 274 trees were provided to 69 households, offering planting support, delivery assistance, and language translation services. Over 50 volunteers were involved.**
  - **Grit City Trees**: Tacoma's free street tree program planted **101 trees at 40 households, with 70% in lower-canopy neighborhoods.**
  - **Tree Coupons**: Offers \$30 per tree discounts through partnerships with local nurseries, resulting in **1,203 trees planted** (582 in Tacoma and 621 in Pierce County) **at 529 households.**
  - **Urban Tree Sale**: Delivered **91 discounted trees** to Tacoma residents.

These programs collectively demonstrate Tacoma's commitment to improving urban canopy, advancing equity, and fostering community engagement. For more information, visit [www.cityoftacoma.org/urbanforestry](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/urbanforestry).

8. Encampment Outreach: The City's Homeless Engagement and Alternatives Liaison (HEAL) Team (formerly the Homeless Outreach Team) performs encampment outreach throughout the week to provide individuals opportunities to connect to shelter, behavioral health, substance use and employment services. **For the week of December 23 - 27, 2024, staff visited 10 locations. This resulted in 20 contacts by the HEAL Team (13 new, and 7 repeat). Four individuals were placed in shelter.**
9. Please see the attached City of Tacoma **Weekly Meeting Schedule**.
10. Tacoma Police Chief Avery Moore provides the attached **Weekly Crime Report**.

## **STUDY SESSION / WORK SESSION**

11. **The City Council Study Session of Tuesday, January 7, 2025, will be conducted as a hybrid meeting.** This meeting can be attended in-person at the Tacoma Municipal Building, Council Chambers, located at 747 Market Street on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor or be heard by dialing (253) 215 – 8782 or through Zoom at: [www.zoom.us/j/89496171192](http://www.zoom.us/j/89496171192) and entering the meeting ID 894 9617 1192; passcode 89659 when prompted. This meeting will be broadcast on TV Tacoma and Facebook.

Discussion items will include: (1) **City Council Budget Reduction and Revenue Strategy;** (2) **Other Items of Interest: Council Consideration Request – Decriminalizing Entheogen Related Activities;** (3) **Committee Reports;** (4) **Agenda Review and City Manager’s Weekly Report;** (5) **Executive Session – Review the Performance of a Public Employee.**

On our first agenda item, staff will discuss the **City Council’s budget reduction and revenue strategy.**

Under other items of interest, the following items will be discussed:

- **Council Consideration Request – Decriminalizing Entheogen Related Activities**  
[Council Member Bushnell]

12. The updated **Tentative City Council Forecast and Consolidated Standing Committee Calendar** are attached for your information.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

13. There are no new events at this time.

Sincerely,  
Hyun Kim



Acting City Manager

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**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Bucoda Warren, Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor; Paige Armstrong, Office of the Mayor  
**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** **Resolution – Nominating and Electing Council Member Kiara Daniels as the Deputy Mayor of the City of Tacoma – January 7, 2025**  
**DATE:** December 31, 2024

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**SUMMARY:**

Nominating and electing Council Member Kiara Daniels to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2025.

**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 John Hines’ term as Deputy Mayor will expire December 31, 2024. Council Member Kiara Daniels’s interest in serving qualifies her 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 John Hines’ term as Deputy Mayor will expire December 31, 2024.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Nominating and electing Council Member Kiara Daniels to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2025.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.



City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum

**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Council Member Olgy Diaz and Senior Council Policy Analyst Lynda Foster  
**COPY:** City Clerk and City Council  
**SUBJECT:** **Ordinance – Grease Interceptor Education Requirement – January 7, 2025**  
**DATE:** December 24, 2024

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### **SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:**

An Ordinance amending Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 12.08C, relating to Miscellaneous Provisions, to establish the distribution requirements for grease interceptor educational flyers at the time of entering into a lease agreement or purchasing a property that will be occupied by any food- or beverage-related business, in order to educate commercial tenants or property owners on the conditions of private grease interceptors.

### **COUNCIL SPONSORS:**

Council Members Bushnell, Daniels, and Diaz

### **BACKGROUND:**

#### **This Department's Recommendation is Based On:**

Commercial tenants or property owners often sign a lease or purchase a property prior to contacting the Health Department and/or Permit Department. Current regulations may require equipment that exceeds the expectation of the business owner which may cause a significant delay in opening the business, a need to adjust the business plan, or may make the project infeasible (either financially or structurally).

This ordinance would apply to all purveyors of commercial real estate that is or will be occupied by any food- or beverage-related business; including, but not limited to, sellers, brokers, agents, and property managers. It would create a requirement to disclose and share information via an educational flyer created by the City of Tacoma about the potential requirements to install or upgrade a grease interceptor system that meets current environmental requirements as approved by the City of Tacoma, Planning and Development Services, Permitting department. The disclosure and information shall be provided to the potential lessee or buyers prior to signing of a lease or completing a purchase of the property.

City of Tacoma, Environmental Services Department will create the educational flyer and update as needed. In addition, the City of Tacoma Permit Department will provide the educational flyer any time a food- or beverage-based business engages with the permit process. The City will encourage the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department to provide the flyer any time they engage with food- or beverage-related businesses.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:**

Local food and beverage establishments contacted the City Council with their concerns about grease interceptor requirements. Council Member Diaz attended a round table discussion with businesses in March 2024. After researching this concern, CM Diaz developed a policy proposal and shared it with the Cross District Association in October 2024. CM Diaz also met with representatives from the Hospitality Association and Chamber of Commerce. Local business, restaurant owners, and associations that represent them have been overwhelmingly supportive of the proposed policy.

### **2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

#### **Equity and Accessibility: *(Mandatory)***

According to the National Urban League, the 2024 State of Black Business report, finds that Black Americans are drastically underrepresented among business owners relative to their share of the population. They are more likely than other businesses to be shut out of traditional financing opportunities. They are starved for venture capital investment. And they are less likely to be awarded government contracts. Black-owned businesses face the greatest obstacles to financing, by far, more



than any other demographic. Only 32% -- compared with 56% of white-owned businesses -- are fully approved for the financing they seek, while 40% - compared with 18% of white-owned businesses, are completely denied loans, lines of credit, and cash advances. Even when financing is approved, Black-owned businesses are more likely to be offered high interest rates. As a result, these businesses are more likely to delay plans to expand and have a harder time refinancing their existing debt. There are also extra barriers to capital and loans for immigrants. Immigrant entrepreneurs have a hard time plugging into the financial systems of their host countries. Banks and other lenders are often reluctant to provide start-up capital and ongoing credit because it is difficult for them to assess the financial history of immigrants and to conduct credit checks.

**Economy/Workforce:** *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

Increase the number of diverse livable wage jobs.

Increase the number of Tacoma households that have livable wage jobs within proximity to the city.

Increase the availability of industry-specific education programs to support identified growth sectors.

Decrease the number of vacant properties downtown and in the neighborhood business districts.

Increase positive public perception related to the Tacoma economy.

**Civic Engagement:** *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

Increase the percentage of residents who believe they are able to have a positive impact on the community and express trust in the public institutions in Tacoma.

**Livability:** *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

Improve access and proximity by residents to diverse income levels and race/ethnicity to community facilities, services, infrastructure, and employment.

How does your policy, program, or service help or harm the health of the natural environment?<sup>2</sup> (e.g. reduction in carbon emissions, open space conditions, sustainability, clean air, water and soil, and noise and light pollution).

**Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).**

This policy aims to provide critical education to new and aspiring business owners so they can make wise investments into their future. By directing businesses to education and resources to learn about infrastructure requirements before they commit to a lease or purchase, we are helping even the playing field between experienced and new entrepreneurs. This policy is one step to help food and beverage businesses succeed here in Tacoma so that our entire community can benefit. This policy is also directly responsive to community concerns, and taking action on this issue will show small and local businesses that engaging with their City Council makes a positive impact on the community. Ensuring business owners know more about how to invest in the right grease interceptor for their business will also help protect the natural environment from fats, oils and grease that otherwise would cause harm, and helps ensure the city keeps our wastewater system

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. Take no action	Conserve staff capacity for other Council priorities	Does not address known issue that the restaurant community is requesting Council address
2. Increase funding for business education and outreach	Educate aspiring business owners and reduce challenges with grease interceptors	Requires funding in a tight budget year.
3. Pursue policy solutions for other grease interceptor concerns	Would tackle more challenges identified by the business community.	Would require further research and delay bringing a policy solution forward.



**EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:**

City of Tacoma, Environmental Services Department will create the educational flyer and update as needed. In addition, the City of Tacoma Permit Department will provide the educational flyer any time a food- or beverage-based business engages with the permit process. The City will encourage the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department to provide the flyer any time they engage with food- or beverage-related businesses.

**SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Sponsors recommend adopting this Ordinance and implementing this education requirement to disclose and share information via an educational flyer created by the City of Tacoma about the potential requirements to install or upgrade a grease interceptor system that meets current environmental requirements as approved by the City of Tacoma, Planning and Development Services, Permitting department.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact to adopting the code/language change. This policy will require staff time to create the educational flyer, advertise the change in education requirement, and respond to complaints that the law is not being followed. Impacts will be incorporated into ongoing workload and managed within the Adopted 2025-2026 Biennial Budget amounts.

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1. 4300 – Wastewater	523905 – Wastewater Community Relations	5210000	\$5,000
2.			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

**What Funding is being used to support the expense?**

**Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium’s current budget?**

**YES**

Yes. The Environmental Services Communications team is fully funded in the 25-26 biennium and has capacity to absorb the efforts around this new ordinance.

**Are there financial costs or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?**

**NO**

**Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?**

**NO**

**Will the legislation change the City’s FTE/personnel counts?**

**NO**

Please enter Explanation.





# City of Tacoma

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## City Council

Metro Parks Board  
4702 S. 19<sup>th</sup> Street  
Tacoma, WA 98405

January 7, 2025

Dear Metro Parks Board Commissioners,

The City of Tacoma has initiated changes to our Senior Services programs in partnership with Metro Parks Tacoma, and we have heard from many seniors in our community that this change is difficult. While we recognize the challenges involved in transitions, we are also excited about combining our senior services, programming, and activities starting in 2025. Metro Parks is an invaluable partner and a pillar of our community. We have no doubt that this partnership will bring significant benefits to Tacoma's senior residents and that it is a wonderful opportunity to offer enhanced and expanded services to more seniors at more locations. We value your efforts and dedication to helping to care for our aging population and we look forward to seeing the great programs and offerings you have planned.

As we embark on this new direction, we would like to share some of the feedback that we have heard from seniors in our community. We have provided a summary of that feedback below.

- ***Desire for predictability and consistency in programming and spaces:*** Many seniors have expressed a deep attachment to their current routines and an appreciation for predictable locations and schedules for their activities. They have emphasized how vital it is for their daily stability to have the same spaces and times available for classes and events, particularly in the summer when youth programming is in high demand, as these routines often support their overall well-being. In addition, we have heard concerns that accidental physical injuries may occur from sharing the facilities with young people, and we are grateful that Metro Parks has high standards for safety. We hope to see Metro Parks maintain as much continuity as possible in the locations, times, and offerings of their programs, ensuring that seniors who rely on caregivers or public transportation can plan around stable schedules and locations.



- ***Need for ongoing meal services:*** The City appreciates that Metro Parks is working with us to make meals available at all four Metro Parks locations that will offer senior services, and we are thrilled to learn that the beloved cook who served seniors at Lighthouse will continue to serve seniors at the Eastside Community Center. We are also happy to hear that Metro Parks and Catholic Community Services reached agreement to have meals delivered to People’s Center. It is our intent that these meals will be provided at no cost to current senior center participants from our Beacon and Lighthouse locations. We know our seniors depend on these meals not only for nutrition, but also as an opportunity to connect and build community. We encourage Metro Parks to establish a predictable schedule for meal services to preserve these social bonds.
- ***Concerns with accessibility:*** Accessibility is foundational to equitable service delivery and is important for ensuring that no senior is excluded from participating in these programs. The City is working hard to help with transportation services for those seniors who currently participate at the Beacon and Lighthouse activity centers. We hope Metro Parks will also think creatively and proactively about solutions to ensure all seniors can easily access the facilities, whether through physical improvements, transportation support, or other measures. We have also heard concerns that outdoor areas where seniors may need to wait for transportation have seating and overhangs to protect from inclement weather.
- ***Tailoring programming to the specific needs of seniors:*** The current programming at the senior centers has been specifically designed with seniors’ needs in mind. Many seniors have shared that while Metro Parks plans to expand and diversify its offerings, it is essential to preserve the programs they are accustomed to and rely upon, such as strength training. We appreciate that Metro Parks has been gathering feedback on program offerings and hope that the opportunity for seniors to provide feedback continues throughout and beyond the transition.
- ***Maintaining effective communication:*** Many of our seniors, especially those who may not be tech-savvy or have regular access to digital resources, rely on the current senior centers for information about activities, resources, and services. We are certain that Metro Parks will continue to ensure clear, consistent, and accessible communication channels are available for seniors. Maintaining printed materials, in-person announcements, and other non-digital methods of communication will be essential to ensuring seniors remain connected and engaged.
- ***Advancing social inclusion and respect:*** One of the most consistent messages we have heard is that seniors want to be engaged in decisions that impact their lives and are eager to be collaborative partners. We know that Metro Parks excels in gathering community feedback and adjusting their work in response. We hope Metro Parks will work to engage seniors as advisors, actively soliciting their feedback and incorporating it into the design and delivery of services. Empowering seniors to be part of the conversation will build trust and confidence in the transition and foster a sense of ownership of the changes.
- ***Celebrating the diversity of our senior population:*** Tacoma’s senior population is varied in its backgrounds, experiences, and needs. We are especially excited about the robust experience and commitment to language and cultural diversity that Metro Parks brings to its programming and engagement efforts. We believe this will help ensure that programs are inclusive of seniors from all walks of life, while also creating opportunities to reach seniors who may not have been previously engaged. A deep and ongoing commitment to collaboration with seniors will

undoubtedly help ensure the programming is responsive, equitable, and reflective of the community's diverse needs.

We would like to thank Metro Parks for your outstanding partnership and all the seniors who have provided helpful feedback about this transition. We also want to stress that we remain committed to working with Metro Parks throughout this transition and beyond so that we can do everything possible to help ensure success. We have no doubt that our partnership will ensure Tacoma remains a city where all individuals, at every stage of life, feel connected and supported. Together, we can make sure that we are drawing upon the experience of our residents as we build the city for our experienced residents.

Thank you,

[Council signatures to be added if approved]

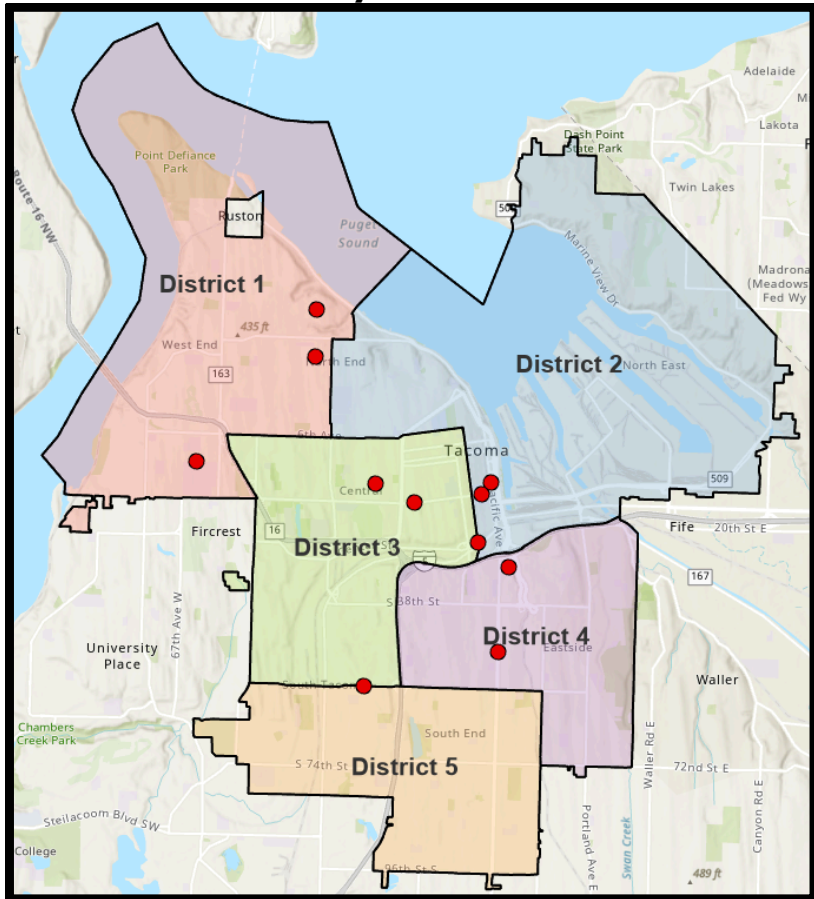


# Vision Zero Monthly Crash Report

NOVEMBER 2024

THE DATA IS BASED UPON A TIME-SPECIFIC QUERY FROM THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL - COLLISIONS ANALYSIS TOOL. THE DATA IS DYNAMIC AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND/OR REVISION.

## November 2024 Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes by Council District



 Fatal or Serious Injury Crash

## November Crash Fatalities

Primary Street	Secondary Street	Date	Deceased	Victim Age(s) Range	Vision Zero High Risk Network
Pacific Ave	S 48th St	11/6/2024	Motorist	21- 24	Yes
S 12th St	S Whitman St	11/27/2024	Pedestrian	31 - 35	No

## November Topline Summary

- 9 collisions resulted in a serious injury and 2 collisions resulted in a fatality.
- 2 fatal or serious injury collisions involved pedestrians and 1 fatal or serious injury collisions involved a cyclist.
- There were 310 total collisions. Of the 310 total collisions, 17 collisions involved pedestrians and 2 collisions involved a cyclist.

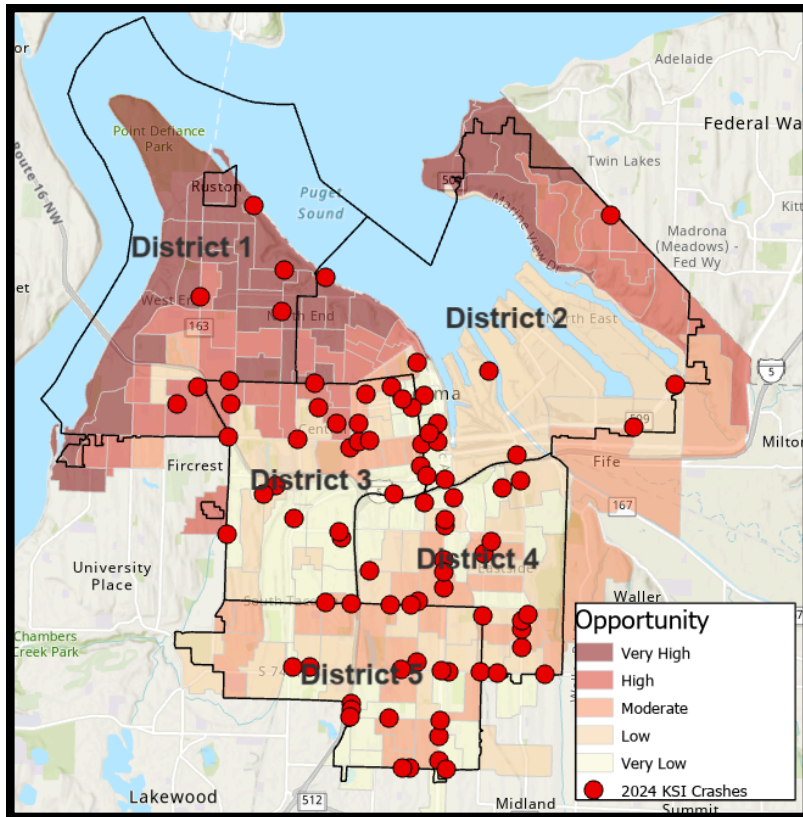
To see Tacoma’s Vision Zero data dashboard or to learn more about Vision Zero, visit: [cityoftacoma.org/visionzero](http://cityoftacoma.org/visionzero)



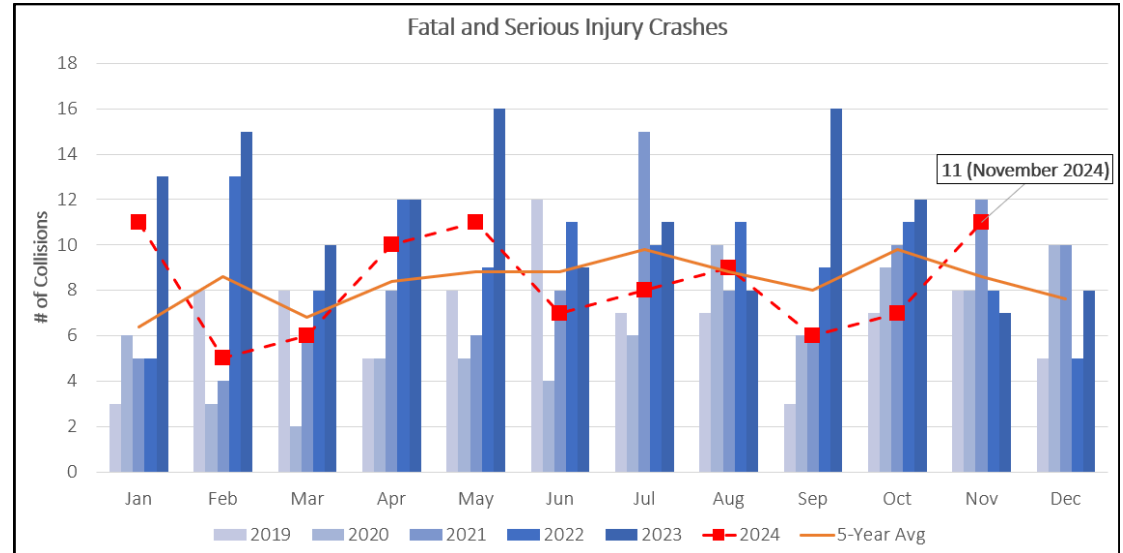
# Vision Zero Cumulative and Trends

*City of Tacoma's Goal  
Zero fatal and serious injury  
traffic crashes by 2035*

## 2024 Year to Date Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes (Opportunity Index Overlay)



**● Fatal or Serious Injury Crash**



All Crashes (Annual Totals)				
Mode Type	5-Year Avg		Last 12 Months	
	Total	%	Total	%
Bicyclist	39	1%	38	1%
Motorist	3892	96%	3605	95%
Pedestrian	121	3%	134	4%

Fatal & Serious Injury Crashes (Annual Totals)				
Mode Type	5-Year Avg		Last 12 Months	
	Total	%	Total	%
Bicyclist	6	6%	4	4%
Motorist	74	73%	64	66%
Pedestrian	21	21%	29	30%

Above 5-Year Average  
Below 5-Year Average

Federal law 23 United States Code Section 407 governs use of the data in this report. Under this law, data maintained for purposes of evaluating potential highway safety enhancements "...shall not be subject to discovery or admitted into evidence in a federal or state court proceeding or considered for other purposes in any action for damages arising from any occurrence at a location mentioned or addressed in such reports, surveys, schedules, lists, or data." If you should attempt to use the information in this report in an action for damages against City, the State of Washington, or any other jurisdiction involved in the locations mentioned in the data, these entities expressly reserve the right, under Section 407, to object to the use of the data, including any opinions drawn from the data.



## MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 6, 2025 THROUGH JANUARY 10, 2025

TIME	MEETING	LOCATION
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025</b>		
5:30 PM	Tacoma Creates Advisory Board	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 248 Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/94324392168">https://zoom.us/j/94324392168</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 943 2439 2168 Passcode: 143397
<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025</b>		
9:00 AM	Hearing Examiner's Hearing*	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Council Chambers Visit <a href="http://www.cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer">www.cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer</a>
9:00 AM	Police Pension/Disability Board	3628 S. 35th St., Public Utilities Bldg., ABN-Ground Floor, Retirement Conf. Rm. Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/86309639383">https://zoom.us/j/86309639383</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 863 0963 9383 Passcode: 521502
10:00 AM	Government Performance and Finance Committee – <b>CANCELLED</b>	
11:15 AM	Bid Opening**	3628 S. 35th St., Public Utilities Bldg., ABN-M1 Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 884 0268 0573 Passcode: 070737 Visit <a href="http://www.tacomapurchasing.org">www.tacomapurchasing.org</a>
NOON	City Council Study Session	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Council Chambers Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/89496171192">https://zoom.us/j/89496171192</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 894 9617 1192 Passcode: 896569
5:00 PM	City Council Meeting	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Council Chambers Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/84834233126">https://zoom.us/j/84834233126</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126 Passcode: 349099
<b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2025</b>		
NOON	Transit Oriented Development Task Force	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 138 Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/85831009869">https://zoom.us/j/85831009869</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 858 3100 9869
3:00 PM	Public Utility Board Study Session	3628 S. 35th St., Public Utilities Bldg., Conf. Rm. LT1 Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/81336402669">https://zoom.us/j/81336402669</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 813 3640 2669
4:30 PM	Board of Ethics	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 220-A Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/98266977376">https://zoom.us/j/98266977376</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 982 6697 7376 Passcode: 469972
4:30 PM	Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee – <b>CANCELLED</b>	
5:30 PM	Landmarks Preservation Commission	747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 243 Join Zoom Meeting at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/84794178334">https://zoom.us/j/84794178334</a> Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 847 9417 8334

6:00 PM Human Services Commission

747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 138  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/97234116608>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 972 3411 6608

6:30 PM Public Utility Board Meeting

3628 S. 35th St., Public Utilities Bldg., Auditorium  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/84626080846>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 846 2608 0846

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025**

7:30 AM Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board

747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 248  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/84447211773>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 844 4721 1773 Passcode: 970091

9:00 AM Hearing Examiner's Hearing\*

747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Council Chambers  
Visit [www.cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer)

10:00 AM Fire Pension/Disability Board

3628 S. 35th St., Public Utilities Bldg., ABN-Ground Floor,  
Retirement Conf. Rm.  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/88629750418>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 886 2975 0418 Passcode: 169592

1:00 PM Tacoma Employees' Retirement System Board Meeting –  
**CANCELLED**

4:00 PM Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities

747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 243  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/6644868913>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 664 486 8913 Passcode: Equity

4:30 PM Community Vitality and Safety Committee

747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 248  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/85961604917>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 859 6160 4917 Passcode: 614650

5:00 PM Land Use Public Meeting\*\*\* – **CANCELLED**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2025**

8:00 AM Joint Municipal Action Committee

747 Market St., Municipal Bldg., Conf. Rm. 248  
Join Zoom Meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/84064886981>  
Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782  
Meeting ID: 840 6488 6981



Meeting sites are accessible to people with disabilities. People with disabilities requiring special accommodations should contact the appropriate department(s) 48 hours prior to the meeting time.

\* Hearing Examiner's Hearings and Local Improvement District Meetings meet on an as-needed basis. Contact the Hearing Examiner's Office at 253-591-5195 to confirm whether a meeting will be held this week. Hearings may be held at various times throughout the day.

\*\* Bid Opening will be held on an as-needed basis. Contact the Finance Procurement and Payables Office at 253-502-8468 or [www.tacomapurchasing.org](http://www.tacomapurchasing.org) to confirm whether Bid Opening will be held.

\*\*\* Land Use Public Meetings occur on an as-needed basis. Contact the Division Manager at 253-345-0879 to confirm whether a meeting will be held.



# Citywide Weekly Briefing for 23 December 2024 to 29 December 2024

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	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024			
<b>Persons</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>4431</b>	<b>4304</b>	38.1% ▼	16.1% ▼	2.9% ▼
Assault	78	51	287	249	4018	3911	34.6% ▼	13.2% ▼	2.7% ▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	1	0	5	0	32	21	100.0% ▼	100.0% ▼	34.4% ▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	2	0	5	3	91	101	100.0% ▼	40.0% ▼	11.0% ▲
Sex Offenses, Forcible	3	1	19	13	288	269	66.7% ▼	31.6% ▼	6.6% ▼
<b>Property</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>1723</b>	<b>1059</b>	<b>24907</b>	<b>19445</b>	39.9% ▼	38.5% ▼	21.9% ▼
Arson	1	2	10	7	124	108	100.0% ▲	30.0% ▼	12.9% ▼
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	34	20	161	92	1635	1535	41.2% ▼	42.9% ▼	6.1% ▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	4	0	47	53	0.0%	100.0% ▼	12.8% ▲
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	94	61	461	271	6540	5275	35.1% ▼	41.2% ▼	19.3% ▼
Fraud	7	3	38	33	591	610	57.1% ▼	13.2% ▼	3.2% ▲
Larceny/Theft	134	87	628	475	8654	8104	35.1% ▼	24.4% ▼	6.4% ▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	76	38	354	137	6128	2977	50.0% ▼	61.3% ▼	51.4% ▼
Robbery	14	4	36	22	624	420	71.4% ▼	38.9% ▼	32.7% ▼
Stolen Property	7	4	25	16	476	287	42.9% ▼	36.0% ▼	39.7% ▼
<b>Society</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>733</b>	42.9% ▲	60.5% ▲	43.4% ▲
Drug/Narcotic	4	9	15	47	194	441	125.0% ▲	213.3% ▲	127.3% ▲
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	0	2	3	18	17	100.0% ▼	50.0% ▲	5.6% ▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	5	5	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Weapon Law Violations	2	1	21	11	294	270	50.0% ▼	47.6% ▼	8.2% ▼
<b>Citywide Totals</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>2077</b>	<b>1385</b>	<b>29849</b>	<b>24482</b>	<b>38.3% ▼</b>	<b>33.3% ▼</b>	<b>18.0% ▼</b>

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## Last 7 Days

### Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 54.9% (28/51) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 44 DV-related offenses.
- 68.2% (30/44) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 58.8% (30/51) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 55 ↘ 44
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 47 ↘ 31

### Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4502 S Steele St: 15 ↘ 9
- 409 S 23rd St: 0 ↗ 5
- 3320 S 23rd St: 2 ↗ 5
- 495 E 19th St: 0 ↗ 3
- 1913 S 72nd St: 5 ↘ 3
- 3737 Pacific Ave: 0 ↗ 3
- 3105 S 47th St: 0 ↗ 3
- 4214 Tacoma Mall Blvd: 2 ↗ 3

### Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Single Family Residence: 81 ↘ 57
- Parking Lot: 66 ↘ 50
- Apartment: 56 ↘ 42
- Street/Right Of Way: 88 ↘ 42
- Department Store: 14 ↘ 11
- Other Business: 12 ↘ 11





# Sector 1 Weekly Briefing for 23 December 2024 to 29 December 2024

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	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024			
<b>Persons</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1111</b>	<b>1120</b>	55.6%▼	15.2%▼	0.8%▲
Assault	18	8	77	65	1003	1006	55.6%▼	15.6%▼	0.3%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	1	0	7	7	0.0%	100.0%▼	0.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	0	0	21	31	0.0%	0.0%	47.6%▲
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	0	1	2	79	76	0.0%	100.0%▲	3.8%▼
<b>Property</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>5735</b>	<b>5357</b>	34.1%▼	17.3%▼	6.6%▼
Arson	0	1	6	3	51	49	NC	50.0%▼	3.9%▼
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	14	7	32	25	394	430	50.0%▼	21.9%▼	9.1%▲
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	1	0	11	3	0.0%	100.0%▼	72.7%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	19	21	103	96	1734	1824	10.5%▲	6.8%▼	5.2%▲
Fraud	5	2	10	17	107	103	60.0%▼	70.0%▲	3.7%▼
Larceny/Theft	30	21	123	130	1904	2052	30.0%▼	5.7%▲	7.8%▲
Motor Vehicle Theft	15	4	87	30	1290	718	73.3%▼	65.5%▼	44.3%▼
Robbery	1	0	6	5	122	110	100.0%▼	16.7%▼	9.8%▼
Stolen Property	1	0	3	1	105	49	100.0%▼	66.7%▼	53.3%▼
<b>Society</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>183</b>	0.0%	185.7%▲	28.9%▲
Drug/Narcotic	0	1	2	16	63	113	NC	700.0%▲	79.4%▲
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	0	2	0	4	3	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	25.0%▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	4	2	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%▼
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	3	4	71	65	0.0%	33.3%▲	8.5%▼
<b>Sector Totals</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>6988</b>	<b>6660</b>	<b>37.5%▼</b>	<b>13.8%▼</b>	<b>4.7%▼</b>

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## Last 7 Days

<p><b>Notes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.</li> <li>25.0% (2/8) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.</li> <li>There were 4 DV-related offenses.</li> <li>100.0% (4/4) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.</li> <li>50.0% (4/8) of the Assaults were DV-related.</li> <li>DV-related Offenses: 12 ↘ 4</li> <li>There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicle: 11 ↘ 9</li> </ul>	<p><b>Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>409 S 23rd St: 0 ↗ 5</li> <li>495 E 19th St: 0 ↗ 3</li> <li>2329 S State St: 1 ↗ 2</li> <li>2345 Tacoma Ave S: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>1909 S M St: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>2120 Milwaukee Way: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>950 Broadway: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>There were 3 additional locations with 2.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apartment: 12 ↗ 14</li> <li>Street/Right Of Way: 28 ↘ 13</li> <li>Parking Lot: 13 ↘ 9</li> <li>Other Business: 7 ↘ 6</li> <li>Single Family Residence: 11 ↘ 5</li> </ul>
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# Sector 2 Weekly Briefing for 23 December 2024 to 29 December 2024

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	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024			
<b>Persons</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>1049</b>	6.7% ▼	1.7% ▲	10.1% ▲
Assault	14	13	50	54	848	938	7.1% ▼	8.0% ▲	10.6% ▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	0	0	10	2	0.0%	0.0%	80.0% ▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	1	13	25	0.0%	0.0%	92.3% ▲
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1	1	7	4	82	83	0.0%	42.9% ▼	1.2% ▲
<b>Property</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>7074</b>	<b>5216</b>	18.2% ▼	45.1% ▼	26.3% ▼
Arson	1	1	1	3	27	23	0.0%	200.0% ▲	14.8% ▼
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	1	2	40	26	399	351	100.0% ▲	35.0% ▼	12.0% ▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	1	0	14	18	0.0%	100.0% ▼	28.6% ▲
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	25	20	154	76	1959	1419	20.0% ▼	50.6% ▼	27.6% ▼
Fraud	1	0	9	4	167	196	100.0% ▼	55.6% ▼	17.4% ▲
Larceny/Theft	37	35	200	136	2576	2258	5.4% ▼	32.0% ▼	12.3% ▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	15	12	98	33	1695	821	20.0% ▼	66.3% ▼	51.6% ▼
Robbery	8	2	17	5	156	83	75.0% ▼	70.6% ▼	46.8% ▼
Stolen Property	0	0	0	2	55	30	0.0%	NC	45.5% ▼
<b>Society</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>85</b>	NC	66.7% ▲	49.1% ▲
Drug/Narcotic	0	2	0	3	21	45	NC	NC	114.3% ▲
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	0	4	2	0.0%	0.0%	50.0% ▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	3	2	32	38	0.0%	33.3% ▼	18.8% ▲
<b>Sector Totals</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>8084</b>	<b>6350</b>	14.6% ▼	39.9% ▼	21.4% ▼

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## Last 7 Days

<p><b>Notes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.</li> <li>46.2% (6/13) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.</li> <li>There were 10 DV-related offenses.</li> <li>70.0% (7/10) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.</li> <li>53.8% (7/13) of the Assaults were DV-related.</li> <li>DV-related Offenses: 11 ↘ 10</li> <li>There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicle: 13 ↗ 16</li> </ul>	<p><b>Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3320 S 23rd St: 2 ↗ 5</li> <li>2715 N Union Ave: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>1201 S Proctor St: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>1 Broadway: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>1901 S Union Ave: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>4609 N Defiance St: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>220 Tacoma Ave S: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>There were 11 additional locations with 2.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single Family Residence: 16 ↗ 21</li> <li>Apartment: 16 ↘ 15</li> <li>Parking Lot: 19 ↘ 12</li> <li>Street/Right Of Way: 12 ↘ 11</li> <li>Department Store: 5 ↗ 7</li> </ul>
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# Sector 3 Weekly Briefing for 23 December 2024 to 29 December 2024

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	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024			
<b>Persons</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>967</b>	52.0% ▼	16.7% ▼	1.6% ▼
Assault	25	12	67	60	888	886	52.0% ▼	10.4% ▼	0.2% ▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	2	0	8	3	0.0%	100.0% ▼	62.5% ▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	2	27	23	0.0%	100.0% ▲	14.8% ▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	0	8	3	59	54	0.0%	62.5% ▼	8.5% ▼
<b>Property</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>6474</b>	<b>4829</b>	56.5% ▼	45.0% ▼	25.4% ▼
Arson	0	0	0	0	17	17	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	12	3	53	11	439	368	75.0% ▼	79.2% ▼	16.2% ▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	1	0	14	17	0.0%	100.0% ▼	21.4% ▲
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	32	12	128	51	1542	1095	62.5% ▼	60.2% ▼	29.0% ▼
Fraud	0	1	9	7	168	163	NC	22.2% ▼	3.0% ▼
Larceny/Theft	37	20	168	138	2353	2242	45.9% ▼	17.9% ▼	4.7% ▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	25	8	99	39	1645	713	68.0% ▼	60.6% ▼	56.7% ▼
Robbery	1	0	5	4	145	101	100.0% ▼	20.0% ▼	30.3% ▼
Stolen Property	1	1	5	6	134	93	0.0%	20.0% ▲	30.6% ▼
<b>Society</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>201</b>	100.0% ▲	33.3% ▲	40.6% ▲
Drug/Narcotic	1	2	6	9	56	118	100.0% ▲	50.0% ▲	110.7% ▲
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	1	6	6	0.0%	NC	0.0%
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% ▼
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	3	2	80	77	0.0%	33.3% ▼	3.8% ▼
<b>Sector Totals</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>7600</b>	<b>5997</b>	54.5% ▼	39.8% ▼	21.1% ▼

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## Last 7 Days

### Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 75.0% (9/12) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 16 DV-related offenses.
- 56.3% (9/16) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 75.0% (9/12) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 15 ↗ 16
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 13 ↘ 5

### Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4502 S Steele St: 15 ↘ 9
- 3105 S 47th St: 0 ↗ 3
- 1913 S 72nd St: 5 ↘ 3
- 4214 Tacoma Mall Blvd: 2 ↗ 3
- 2424 S 41st St: 0 ↗ 2
- 7215 S Montgomery St: 0 ↗ 2
- 3706 S Pine St: 0 ↗ 2
- There were 5 additional locations with 2.

### Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Parking Lot: 27 ↘ 15
- Single Family Residence: 19 ↘ 12
- Apartment: 18 ↘ 9
- Other Business: 4 ↔ 4
- Department Store: 8 ↘ 4
- Street/Right Of Way: 19 ↘ 4



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	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024	29-Dec-2023	29-Dec-2024			
<b>Persons</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1384</b>	<b>1166</b>	30.8% ▼	26.7% ▼	15.8% ▼
Assault	21	18	93	70	1279	1079	14.3% ▼	24.7% ▼	15.6% ▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	1	0	2	0	7	9	100.0% ▼	100.0% ▼	28.6% ▲
Kidnapping/Abduction	2	0	3	0	30	22	100.0% ▼	100.0% ▼	26.7% ▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	2	0	3	4	68	56	100.0% ▼	33.3% ▲	17.6% ▼
<b>Property</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>5624</b>	<b>4042</b>	47.1% ▼	42.5% ▼	28.1% ▼
Arson	0	0	3	1	29	19	0.0%	66.7% ▼	34.5% ▼
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	7	8	36	30	403	386	14.3% ▲	16.7% ▼	4.2% ▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	1	0	8	15	0.0%	100.0% ▼	87.5% ▲
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	18	8	76	48	1305	937	55.6% ▼	36.8% ▼	28.2% ▼
Fraud	1	0	10	5	149	148	100.0% ▼	50.0% ▼	0.7% ▼
Larceny/Theft	30	11	137	71	1821	1551	63.3% ▼	48.2% ▼	14.8% ▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	21	14	70	35	1498	725	33.3% ▼	50.0% ▼	51.6% ▼
Robbery	4	2	8	8	201	126	50.0% ▼	0.0%	37.3% ▼
Stolen Property	5	3	17	7	182	115	40.0% ▼	58.8% ▼	36.8% ▼
<b>Society</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>264</b>	0.0%	26.3% ▲	56.2% ▲
Drug/Narcotic	3	4	7	19	54	165	33.3% ▲	171.4% ▲	205.6% ▲
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	2	4	6	0.0%	NC	50.0% ▲
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0%	0.0%	NC
Weapon Law Violations	2	1	12	3	111	90	50.0% ▼	75.0% ▼	18.9% ▼
<b>Sector Totals</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>7177</b>	<b>5472</b>	<b>41.5% ▼</b>	<b>36.5% ▼</b>	<b>23.8% ▼</b>

NC = Noncalculable

## Last 7 Days

<p><b>Notes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.</li> <li>61.1% (11/18) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.</li> <li>There were 14 DV-related offenses.</li> <li>71.4% (10/14) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.</li> <li>55.6% (10/18) of the Assaults were DV-related.</li> <li>DV-related Offenses: 17 ↘ 14</li> <li>There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicle: 10 ↘ 1</li> </ul>	<p><b>Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3737 Pacific Ave: 0 ↗ 3</li> <li>1828 Harper St: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>96th St S &amp; Patterson St S: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>7041 Pacific Ave: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>805 E 72nd St: 0 ↗ 2</li> <li>4217 E N St: 0 ↗ 2</li> </ul>	<p><b>Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single Family Residence: 35 ↘ 19</li> <li>Parking Lot: 7 ↗ 14</li> <li>Street/Right Of Way: 29 ↘ 14</li> <li>Apartment: 10 ↘ 4</li> <li>Sidewalk: 0 ↗ 3</li> <li>Driveway: 6 ↘ 3</li> </ul>
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**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST**

**TO:** Mayor & City Council

**FROM:** Council Member Joe Bushnell and Senior Council Policy Analyst Lynda Foster

**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Hyun Kim, Deputy City Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney

**SUBJECT:** **Resolution - Declaring the Investigation, Arrest, and Prosecution of Anyone Engaging in Entheogen-Related Activities Should Be Among the City of Tacoma's Lowest Law Enforcement Priorities and Stating the City Council's Support for Full Decriminalization of these Activities – January 7, 2025**

**DATE:** December 31, 2024

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**I ask for your support for a resolution declaring the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of anyone engaging in entheogen-related activities should be among the City of Tacoma's lowest law enforcement priorities and stating the City Council's support for full decriminalization of these activities.**

**LEGISLATIVE INTENT:**

**Resolution Request:**

Entheogen is a term that encompasses any living, fresh, dried, or processed plant or fungal material, including teas or powders, that may contain currently scheduled or analog psychoactive indolamines, tryptamines, or phenethylamines, including, but not limited to, psilocybin mushrooms, ayahuasca tea, mescaline, and iboga. A variety of jurisdictions in the United States, including Seattle, Port Townsend, Olympia, and Jefferson County, have supported decriminalization of entheogens, and Colorado, Oregon, and Washington D.C. have decriminalized some or all entheogens through successful ballot initiatives.

Depression, severe anxiety, problematic substance use, post-traumatic stress, end-of-life anxiety, grief, isolation, intergenerational trauma, and other physical and mental conditions are plaguing many communities, and scientific and clinical studies show the benefits of entheogens in treating these conditions. U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) sanctioned clinical trials show positive results that demonstrate the safety and efficacy of psilocybin assisted therapy. The FDA designated psilocybin assisted therapy as a breakthrough therapy for treatment resistant depression in 2018 and major depressive disorder in 2019. Human cultures around the world recognize entheogens as sacred and have used them as part of their cultural, spiritual, and religious practices for generations.

Communities face unprecedented mental health crisis, unprecedented suicide rates, especially among veterans and marginalized groups, and a deepening opioid addiction crisis. Tacoma can contribute to removing stigmas through public education and supporting community mental health efforts. Decriminalization of entheogens does not undermine the seriousness of the opioid epidemic and impact of harmful substances on the lives of individuals, families, and communities.

Our 2025 state legislative agenda includes the policy position: ***Psilocybin Substances***: The City encourages the legislature to consider decriminalizing psilocybin substances in light of the growing research indicating potential medical uses for the substances and the number of local jurisdictions and states that are decriminalizing the substance.

This resolution would direct the following:

1. That the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of anyone engaging in entheogen-related activities, including but not limited to the planting, cultivating, gathering, transporting, distributing, possession, or using entheogens by adults, should be a City of Tacoma low enforcement priority and no City funds or resources should be used for investigation, prosecution, or arrest of individuals for possessing or using entheogenic plants or fungi.
2. This Resolution does not:
  - a. Permit driving under the influence of entheogenic plants or fungi;
  - b. Permit the possession or distribution of entheogens in schools or parks;
  - c. Authorize or enable commercial manufacturing or sales of entheogenic plants or fungi;
  - d. Permit conduct that puts public safety at risk or causes a public nuisance that violates the law; or
  - e. Prohibit or discourage the investigation, arrest, or prosecution of crimes in bullets a-d.
3. The Council states its support for continued research for alternative treatment modalities and our support for structured medical models. The Council further states its support for the full decriminalization of entheogen-related activities at the federal level.

DESIRED RESOLUTION DATE: January 28, 2024

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ (CUSTOMER RESEARCH):**

Community members have brought this request to Tacoma City Council Members. Veterans, advocates, and other Tacoma residents have attended community forums and requested the City Council adopt a resolution like this one.

**2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

**Equity and Accessibility:**

This is the Minority Health Disparity Gap, and we've known about it for a long time. Regarding mental health, Black adults (including those identifying as mixed-race Black) are more likely to have feelings of sadness, hopelessness, and worthlessness than white adults, while Black and mixed-race youth are more likely to attempt suicide than white youth<sup>1</sup>. Veterans returning from combat often experience waves of emotions in response to surviving traumatic events, such as being attacked or seeing others wounded or killed. Some veterans have trouble concentrating, relive traumatic events, or have thoughts of death or suicide. They may also use drugs, drink too much, or have trouble sleeping. For many veterans, these thoughts, feelings, and behaviors are reactions to difficult experiences that fade as they adjust to civilian life. But for some, they could be signs of serious mental health problems<sup>2</sup>.

**Civic Engagement:** *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

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<sup>1</sup> <https://maps.org/news/bulletin/health-equity-our-entheogenic-duty/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.rand.org/health-care/projects/navigating-mental-health-care-for-veterans/mental-health-issues.html>

Increase the percentage of residents who believe they are able to have a positive impact on the community and express trust in the public institutions in Tacoma.  
Representation at public meetings will reflect the diversity of the Tacoma community

**Livability: Equity Index Score:** Moderate Opportunity

Improve health outcomes and reduce disparities, in alignment with the community health needs assessment and CHIP, for all Tacoma residents

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s)?

This policy is directly in response to community members. Taking action will show the community that the City Council values when they share ideas and advocate to improve lives in Tacoma. The resolution also shows support for finding alternative mental health treatments that can benefit communities that disproportionately have mental health challenges.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Alternative	Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts
1. Take no action	Aligns City actions with state and federal law.	Does not take policy statement on entheogen-related activities.

**EVALUATIONS AND FOLLOW UP:**

The government affairs team should track state and federal legislation related to decriminalization of Entheogen-Related Activities and report developments back to Council.

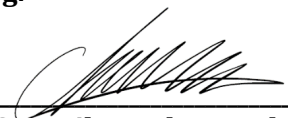
**SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:**

The sponsor recommendation is to pass this resolution and join the growing movement of municipalities and states calling for the decriminalization of Entheogen-Related Activities.

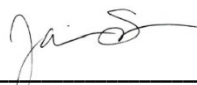

**FISCAL IMPACT:**


No fiscal impact associated with passing this resolution.

**If you have a question related to the Council Contingency Fund Request, please contact Lynda Foster at 253.591.5166 or lfoster@cityoftacoma.org.**

**SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:**   
Council Member Bushnell

**SUPPORTING COUNCIL MEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)**

- 1.  POS# 3
- 2.  POS# 7

**Mayor's initials**   
(Mayor's initials for awareness only to ensure alignment and coordination of emergent policies.)



Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
January 7, 2025	Study Session (Hybrid Council Chambers / Dial-in 12:00 p.m.)	City Council Budget Reduction and Revenue Strategy	City Manager Pauli, Office of Management and Budget Katie Johnston	
		Council Consideration Request - Decriminalizing Entheogen Related Activities	Council Member Bushnell	
		Executive Session - Review the Performance of a Public Employee	Human Resources - Shelby Fritz	
January 10, 2025	*Special Meeting - Committee of the Whole 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.			
January 14, 2025	Study Session (Hybrid Council Chambers / Dial-in 12:00 p.m.)	Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) Tacoma Dome Link Extension Project (TDLE)	Planning and Development Services - Brian Boudet, Sound Transit - Andrew Austin, Diane Wiatr, Curvie Hawkins	Staff from the Planning and Development Services Department and Sound Transit will provide an update on key regional transportation projects, with a particular focus on the Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE) and the Draft Environmental Impact Statement that has been issued and is currently within the public comment period.
	City Council Meeting (hybrid Council Chambers /dial-in 5:00 PM)			
January 17, 2025	*Special Meeting - Committee of the Whole 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.			
January 21, 2025	<b>*Cancelled</b>			
January 24, 2025	*Special Meeting - Committee of the Whole 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.			
January 28, 2025	Study Session (Hybrid Council Chambers / Dial-in 12:00 p.m.)	Black History Preservation	Planning and Development Services, Historic Preservation - Reuben McKnight	Provide a briefing on the recent historic property survey of sites associated with Black History in Tacoma and related community efforts to increase representation and awareness of Black History in <u>historic preservation in Tacoma</u>
		Tacoma Creates Overview and Proposed Updates	Community and Economic Development - Rebecca Solverson	Staff will share a brief overview and proposed updates to Tacoma Creates in advance of reauthorization decision. This will have already been shared with Council Members through the Economic Development Committee and small group meetings with Council Members
	City Council Meeting (hybrid Council Chambers /dial-in 5:00 PM)			
February 4, 2025	Study Session (Hybrid Council Chambers / Dial-in 12:00 p.m.)	South Tacoma Ground Water Protection District Public Hearing Prep	Planning and Development Services - Maryam Moenian, Stephen Atkinson, Tacoma Water - Glen George, TPCHD - Erin Dilworth * Esther Beaumier , ES - Dana Deleon and	The purpose of this presentation is to prepare for the public hearing on the extension of the moratorium for the South Tacoma Ground Water Protection District (STGPD).
	City Council Meeting (hybrid Council Chambers /dial-in 5:00 PM)			

**Community Vitality and Safety Committee**

<p align="center"><b>Committee Members</b>                  (Chair) Rumbaugh, (Vice Chair) Walker, Sadalge, and Scott                  Alternate: Diaz                  Executive Liaison: Allyson Griffith; Coordinator: D'Angelo Baker</p>	<p align="center">2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month                  4:30pm                  Zoom and TMB 248</p>	<p align="center"><b>CBC Assignments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission on Disabilities</li> <li>• Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs</li> <li>• Community's Police Advisory Committee • Housing Authority</li> <li>• Human Rights Commission • Human Services Commission</li> <li>• Public Library Board • Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority</li> </ul>
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Date	Topic	Presenter(s)	Description
January 9, 2025	Elect Committee Chair and Vice Chair	CVS Members	
	Neighborhood Council Review of Standards & Guidelines		
January 23, 2025	Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Interviews	Nicole Emery, City Clerk	
February 13, 2025	Human Rights Commission Annual Report	Vicky McLaurin, Division Manager, NCS	
	Human Services Commission Annual Report	Vicky McLaurin, Division Manager, NCS	
	Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Annual Report	Ronda VanderMeer, CEDD; Felicia Medlen, CEDD	
	Housing Authority Annual Report	April Black; Sha Peterson	
February 27, 2025	Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Interviews	Nicole Emery, City Clerk	
	Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities Annual Report	Lucas Smiraldo, Equity Programs Consultant, Combined Strategy Office	
	Library Board of Trustees & Tacoma Public Library Annual Report	Amita Lonial, Director, Tacoma Public Libraries	

**Government Performance and Finance Committee**

<b>Committee Members</b> (Chair) Hines, (Vice Chair) Bushnell, Daniels, and Rumbaugh Alternate: Walker Executive Liaison: Andy Cherullo; Coordinator: D'Angelo Baker		1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month 10:00am Zoom and TMB 248	<b>CBC Assignments</b> • Audit Advisory Board • Board of Ethics • Civil Service Board • Public Utility Board
<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Presenter(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>
January 7, 2025	Cancelled		
January 21, 2025 Joint meeting with Audit Advisory Board	Entrance Audit Conference for 2024 Utilities Audit	Olga Darlington, Moss Adams	Staff from Moss Adams will conduct an Entrance Conference for the 2024 audit of the City-owned Utilities - Water, Power, Rail, Solid Waste, Waste Water and Storm Water.
	Elect Committee Chair and Vice Chair	None	The Committee Members will elect a Chair and a Vice Chair.
	Updating the MFTE Program	John Hines, Deputy Mayor	Deputy Mayor John Hines will lead a discussion with Committee Members regarding updates to the MFTE program.
	Exit Conference for 2023 Accountability Audit	Staff from the State Auditor's Office (SAO)	Staff from the SAO will conduct an Exit Conference on the City's 2023 Accountability Audit.
	Updating the Animal Control Code	John Hines, Deputy Mayor	Deputy Mayor John Hines will provide an overview of proposed updates to the Animal Control code.
Pending Council Approval	"For" and "Against" Committees - Streets II Initiative	City Attorney's Office	The Committee will review letters and make recommendations for City council consideration for the "For" and "Against" committees for the proposed Streets II initiative.
February 4, 2025	Charter Review - TPU Board Stipends	City Attorney's Office	Staff from the City Attorney's Office will provide background on the legal requirements related to laws regulating stipends for public committees, boards and commissions.
	Zayo Franchise Agreement	Jeff Lueders, Divison Manager, MCO	
	Ziply Franchise Agreement	Jeff Lueders, Divison Manager, MCO	
February 18, 2025			

**Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee**

<b>Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee</b>			
<b>Committee Members</b> (Chair) Walker, (Vice Chair) Diaz, Hines, and Sadalge Alternate: Bushnell Executive Liaison: Ramiro Chavez; Coordinator: Anna Le		2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month 4:30pm Zoom and TMB 248	<b>CBC Assignments</b> • Board of Building Appeals • Landmarks Preservation Commission • Planning Commission • Sustainable Tacoma Commission • Transportation Commission • Urban Design Board
<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Presenter(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>
January 8, 2025	Canceled	--	--
January 22, 2025	Elect Committee Chair and Vice Chair	Nicole Emery, City Clerk	--
	Wastewater and Stormwater Comprehensive Plan Update	Dana de Leon, Assistant Division Manager; Teresa Peterson, Principal Civil Engineer, Environmental Services	Environmental Services staff will provide an update on the development of the wastewater comprehensive plan and the stormwater comprehensive plan.
	South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District Code Update	Maryam Moeinian, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services; Jeff Hansen, Principal Engineer, HDR, Inc.	A progress report on the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District code review and update including: summary of recent engagement activities; preliminary recommendations for code amendments; and next steps and schedule for the code development process.
February 12, 2025	Tacoma Urban Forest Informational Update	Mike Carey, Urban Forest Program Manager; Ryan Hebert, Urban Forestry Analyst; Lisa Kenny, Community Tree Program Coordinator, Environmental Services	Amended ordinance ORD28986 directed the City to “immediately initiate a separate, broader policy discussion about expanding the City’s Urban Forestry Program and further implementation of the Urban Forest Management Plan [UFMP], including examination of: Tree preservation standards citywide (beyond just the UR zones); appropriate City resources for tree planting and maintenance; and, regulatory and non-regulatory tools for tree preservation.” This is the first in a series of presentations that will provide an overview of the Urban Forestry Program, a report on UFMP implementation progress, and a synopsis of the City’s public tree planting programs, laying the foundation to advance further policy discussions.
February 26, 2025	Tacoma Urban Forest Policy Discussion	Mike Carey, Urban Forest Program Manager, Environmental Services	
	Planning Commission Annual Report and Work Program	Brian Boudet, Division Manager, Planning and Development Services	Staff from Planning and Development Services will deliver an update on the Planning Commission Work Program and the Annual Report.

**Economic Development Committee**

<b>Economic Development Committee</b>			
<b>Committee Members</b> (Chair) Daniels, (Vice Chair) Diaz, Bushnell, Scott Alternate: Rumbaugh; Executive Liaison: Pat Beard; Coordinator: Anna Le		2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays of the month 10:00am Zoom and TMB 248	<b>CBC Assignments</b> • City Events and Recognition Committee • Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee • Convention Center Public Facilities District • Tacoma Arts Commission • Tacoma Creates Advisory Board
<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Presenter(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>
January 14, 2025	Elect Committee Chair and Vice Chair	Nicole Emery, City Clerk	--
	Tacoma Creates Reauthorization	Rebecca Solverson, Arts and Cultural Vitality Division Manager; Lisa Jaret, Tacoma Creates Program Manager, Community and Economic Development; Steve Victor, Chief Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office	Staff will share proposed updates to Tacoma Creates in advance of reauthorization decision.
January 28, 2025	Economic Development Strategic Plan Work Session	Shari Hart, Economic Development Specialist; Carol Wolfe, Business Services Division Manager, Community and Economic Development	The fourth strategic plan work session will focus on objective 4 of the Economic Development Strategic Plan: Building Increasingly Vibrant Neighborhoods.
February 11, 2025	Tacoma Sister Cities Council 2024 Program Annual Review	Debbie Bingham, Business and Economic Development Program Manager, Community and Economic Development; Clare Petrich, Chair, Sister Cities Council	An informational presentation by CED staff and the Chair of the Sister Cities Council on the activities and programs of the program in 2024.
February 25, 2025	Brownfields Job Training Program	Deborah Trevorrow, Workforce Programs Analyst, Community and Economic Development; Antwyone Washington, Vocational Training Coordinator, Goodwill; Michelle Barre, Director of Workforce Development, Clover Park Technical College	The Brownfields Job Training Program is a partnership of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the City of Tacoma, Clover Park Technical College, and Goodwill. This free training program offers multiple certifications and training for entry-level positions in the environmental sciences and construction fields.