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PRESENTERS:	Landmarks Preservation Commission – Chair Kevin Bartoy and Staff Liaison Reuben McKnight Sustainable Tacoma Commission – Co-Chair Evlondo Cooper Transportation Commission – Co-Chair Matt Stevens and Staff Liaison Carrie Wilhelme
SUBJECT:	Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee Commission, Board, and Committee Reports
DATE:	September 26, 2024

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:

Three of the six Committees, Boards, and Commissions (CBCs) assigned to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability 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 Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee is responsible for the oversight of six Committees, Boards, and Commissions:

- Board of Building Appeals
- Landmarks Preservation Commission
- Planning Commission

- Sustainable Tacoma Commission
- Transportation Commission
- Urban Design Board

The Board of Building Appeals, Planning Commission, and Urban Design Board were provided notice and invited to attend this informational briefing but will not be delivering presentations.

- The Board of Building Appeals will not present at this meeting because the Board carries out its responsibilities on an as-needed basis, instead of holding regular, standing meetings as IPS' other CBCs do.
- The Planning Commission will not deliver a presentation during this meeting as the Committee has requested the Commission provide regular updates on the implementation status of their work program. The Planning Commission has historically fulfilled this request by delivering two updates each year; IPS' first Commission update was in July and the second is scheduled to take place in November.
- The Urban Design Board will not deliver a presentation as its members have not yet been appointed. The Committee will be conducting interviews to appoint members to the Board at an October 30, 2024, special meeting.



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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 also 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.