



## WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

September 28, 2017

Members of the City Council  
City of Tacoma, Washington

**Dear Mayor and Council Members:**

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. **Economic Development Weekly Update Report** – Please see the attached update report on projects and initiatives from the Community and Economic Development Department for the week of September 25, 2017.

### STUDY SESSION/WORK SESSION

2. The **City Council Study Session** of Tuesday, October 3, 2017, will be held in Room 16 of the Tacoma Municipal Building North, at Noon. Discussion items will include: (1) **State of Emergency on Homelessness and Interim Shelters Zoning Regulations**; (2) **Other Items of Interest**; (3) **Committee Reports**; (4) **Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report**; and, (5) **Executive Session – Pending Litigation**.

Ordinance No. 28430, declaring an emergency for temporary aid and shelter for the homeless will sunset on October 9, 2017. On Tuesday's Council agenda for City Council consideration is proposed Ordinance No. 28457 to amend Ordinance No. 28430, by extending the emergency declaration and allowing the emergency authority pursuant to the ordinance to remain in effect through the end of the year. The purpose of extending the emergency ordinance is to continue the City's efforts to mitigate the public health emergency conditions in homeless encampments. At Tuesday's Study Session, Staff will provide an **update on the City's efforts for the homeless population to date and provide recommendations for next steps**. In addition, staff will brief the City Council on the proposed Interim Shelters Zoning Regulations.

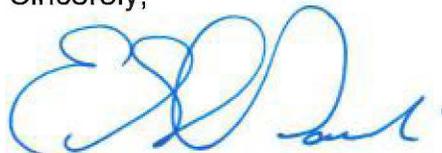
3. The updated **Tentative City Council Forecast and Consolidated Standing Committee Calendars** are attached for your information.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

4. You have been invited to the following events:
  - **Behavioral Health Hospital Groundbreaking Celebration on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, Noon to 1:00 p.m.**, at the MultiCare Allenmore Hospital Campus, located at 1901 South Union Avenue.

- **Forterra's *The Power of Here* South Sound Luncheon on Wednesday, October 4th, 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.,** at the Courtyard Marriott-Tacoma, located at 1515 Commerce Street.
- **Citizens for a Healthy Bay's 2nd Annual Breakfast for the Bay on Thursday, October 12th, 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.,** at the Museum of Glass, located at 1801 Dock Street.
- **Town Center Ground Breaking Ceremony on Thursday, October 12th, 10:30 a.m.,** at Jefferson Avenue and 21<sup>st</sup> Street.
- **Water Flume Line Trail Phase IV "Celebrate Connections" event on Thursday, October 12th, 1:00-2:00 p.m.** The event is on the trail approximately 600 feet east of M Street along South Tacoma Way (look for canopies). Parking is available in a City owned lot just past the Tacoma Rescue Mission heading west on South Tacoma Way and before the Tacoma Avenue overpass bridge.
- **Tacoma Historical Society's 11th Annual Destiny Dinner "Fighting for Dreams That Matter: Honoring Tacoma's Civil Rights Pioneers" on Saturday, October 14th, 5:00-7:00 p.m.,** at the University of Puget Sound Memorial Fieldhouse, located at 1500 North Warner.
- **Korean Women's Association 45th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, October 14th, 6:00 p.m.,** at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center's 3rd Floor Ballroom, located at 1500 Broadway.
- **Black Student Union Scholarship Fundraising Dinner on Thursday, October 19th, 5:00-7:30 p.m.,** at the University of Puget Sound, Upper Marshall Hall, located at 1500 North Warner.
- **Graduate Tacoma 2017 Cradle to Career Lunch on Tuesday, October 24th, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.,** at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center, located at 1500 Commerce Street.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth A. Pauli  
City Manager

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEKLY UPDATE REPORT

Week of September 25, 2017

## TREE Grand Opening – October 5<sup>th</sup> at Former Nisqually Power Substation

The excitement continues in the Brewery District. Next Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-9:00 p.m., Nicole Wakley, founder of TREE, will open the doors at the restored former Nisqually Power Substation. Bringing the heartbeat back to Tacoma's Historic Brewery District, TREE opens its doors to offer timeless, sustainable eco-furnishings and style to the Pacific Northwest.

After the success of the first flagship store in 2005 in Hong Kong, TREE has since opened four other destinations within Asia. Now, Nicole brings TREE to the U.S. market, taking root in the Pacific Northwest after finding Tacoma the perfect place to launch TREE in the U.S.

TREE brings a rich historical heritage to downtown Tacoma with roots that go deep and pieces that capture the story of their reclaimed, salvaged and sustainably sourced materials. From their signature collections using salvaged teak from old homes, railroad carriers, and boats, to the look of clean, contemporary pieces made from sustainably sourced rich walnut and light oak, every eco-wood piece from TREE has a story to tell. While beautiful solid wood is firmly at the heart of TREE, shoppers will find a host of other natural and eco materials running through their one-of-a-kind antiques and home furnishings, including items made in the U.S. with upcycled yarns and recycled plastic bottles and rugs with natural materials, such as jute and seagrass and upcycled denim.

**City of Tacoma 2017  
City Council Forecast Schedule**

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
October 3, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	State of Emergency on Homelessness and Interim Shelters Zoning Regulations	CMO/PDS	Staff will provide an update on efforts for the homeless population and recommendations for next steps. In addition, staff will brief the Council on the proposed Interim Shelters Zoning Regulations.
		Executive Session - Pending Litigation	CAO	
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Ordinance to extend emergency declaration on homelessness through 2017 and Ordinance to amend TMC to extend unlawful camping	CMO Police	
October 10, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)			
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Public Hearing - Interim Shelters Zoning Regulations and Ordinance First Reading	PDS	
October 17, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	Tideflats Interim Regulations	PDS	
	City Council Meeting (Pantages Theater-9th and Broadway)	Public Hearing - Tideflats Interim Regulations (Agenda will be kept light to allow time for Public Hearing). Interim Shelters Zoning Regulations Ordinance Final Reading.	PDS	
October 24, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)			
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Public Hearing on Marijuana Code Amendments	PDS	
October 31, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	Environmental Action Plan	ESD-OEPS	Update on the Environmental Action Plan First Annual Progress Report, to include briefing on the City's climate goals.
		3rd Quarter Financial Report and Capital Projects Report	OMB	2017 3rd Quarter Budget Actuals Report, including initiative tracker and performance management and Capital Projects Report.
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Marijuana Code Amendment First Reading Property Tax and EMS Levy Public Hearing	PDS OMB	

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November 7, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	Tideflats Interim Regulations	PDS	
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Marijuana Code Amendment Final Reading Property Tax and EMS Ordinance First Reading	PDS OMB	
November 14, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)			
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Tideflats Interim Regulations Ordinance First Reading	PDS	
November 21, 2017	City Council Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	Mid-biennium Budget Adjustments	OMB	2017 mid-biennium budget modifications will be discussed.
		Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan	PDS	
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Tideflats Interim Regulations Ordinance Final Reading Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan Public Hearing Property Tax and EMS Ordinance Final Reading	PDS PDS OMB	
November 28, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan	PDS	
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Public Hearing - Mid-Biennial Budget Modifications & Ordinance First Reading Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan Ordinance First Reading	OMB OMB PDS	
December 5, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)			
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)	Mid-Biennial Budget Modifications Ord. Final Reading Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan Ordinance Final Reading	OMB PDS	
December 12, 2017	Joint Utility Board Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)	Quarterly Joint Meeting	TPU	
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)			
December 19, 2017	Study Session (TMBN 16, Noon)			
	City Council Meeting (TMB Council Chambers, 5:00 PM)			
December 26, 2017	CANCELLED			

Community Vitality and Safety			
<b>Committee Members:</b> Blocker (Chair), Campbell, Lonergan, Walker Lee, Altemate-Mello <b>Executive Liaison:</b> Linda Stewart; Staff Support - Will Suarez		<b>2nd and 4th Thursdays</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> <b>Room 248</b>	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> • Citizen Police Advisory Committee • Human Services Commission • Human Rights Commission • Housing Authority • Commission on Disabilities • Library Board • Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority
<b>October 12, 2017</b>	Proposed Creation of a Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs	<i>Diane Powers, Equity and Human Rights Director, Office of Equity and Human Rights</i>	Staff will bring proposal for the creation of a Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs for review and discussion.
<b>Future:</b>			
<b>October 26, 2017</b>	Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board interviews	<i>Clerks Office</i>	
<b>November 9, 2017</b>	Human Rights Commission Interviews	<i>Clerks Office</i>	

<b>Economic Development Committee</b>			
<b>Committee Members:</b> Campbell (Chair), Mello, Strickland, Thoms, Alternate-McCarthy <b>Executive Liaison:</b> Mark Lauzier; Staff Support - Lynda Foster		<b>2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>Room 248</b>	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> •Tacoma Arts Commission •Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District •Foss Waterway •City Events and Recognition Committee
<b>CBC Assignments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tacoma Arts Commission</li> <li>• Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foss Waterway</li> <li>• City Events and Recognition Committee</li> </ul>	
October 10, 2017	City of Tacoma Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality and the Arts & Culture Coalition [Informational Briefing]	<b>Amy McBride, Arts Administrator, Community and Economic Development</b>  <b>David Fischer, Executive Director Broadway Center for the Performing Arts</b>	The Office of Arts and Cultural Vitality will share updates on key projects including Tacoma's Arts Month, the Artist in Residence program, public art projects and creative space developments. The Arts & Culture Coalition will share information re: Cultural Access Tacoma, a potential program to infuse support for comprehensive access to arts, heritage and cultural activities in Tacoma. Full details on public benefits, funding models, eligibility criteria, and accountability standards - with input from all community sectors - are currently being formulated, discussed, and researched.
	Small Business and Revitalization Update [Informational Briefing]	<b>Daniel Murillo, Housing Division Manager;</b> <b>Carol Wolfe, Community and Economic Development Supervisor, Community and Economic Development</b>	Staff will present an update on the activities and policies to date for the Small Business Development and Neighborhood Revitalization unit which includes the Neighborhood Business District and Neighborhood Council Programs, Neighborhood Revitalization Project Areas, Special Event Permitting Office.
	Economic Development Dashboard Report	<b>Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development</b>	This is the regularly occurring update relating to economic trends, opportunities, and challenges through Q2 2017.
<b>Future:</b>			
October 24, 2017	Tacoma's Office Market - Opportunities & Challenges [Informational Briefing]	<b>Elly Walkowiak, Business Development Manager, Community and Economic Development</b>	Staff will present an update on the current Tacoma office market trends, opportunities and challenges for the coming year.
	Historic Buildings Relationship to Economic Development in Downtown Tacoma [Informational Briefing]	<b>Pat Beard, Project Manager, Community and Economic Development</b>	Staff will present an update on the economic impacts of adaptive reuse projects in the City of Tacoma. Focusing on three recent projects that have been completed in 2017.
	2017 pilot for the Dome to Defiance Trolley [Informational Briefing]	<b>Pat Beard, Community and Economic Development</b>	Tina Lee of Pierce Transit will report on the trolley pilot that ran from downtown along Ruston Way to the Point Defiance Zoo for a three-month trial this summer to share performance metrics about the pilot and discuss potential next steps. metrics about the pilot and discuss potential next steps.
October 31, 2017	Sister City Program Update [Informational Briefing]	<b>Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development</b>	
	Special Events Program Update & Enhancements [Informational Briefing]	<b>Kala Dralle, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development</b>	

<b>Government Performance and Finance Committee</b>			
Committee Members: Lonergan (Chair), Campbell, Ibsen, Walker Lee, Alternate-Strickland Executive Liaison: Andy Cherullo; Staff Support - Chris Bell		1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays 4:30 p.m. Room 248	CBC Assignments: •Public Utility Board •Board of Ethics •Audit Advisory Board •Civil Service Board
October 4, 2017	Cancelled		
Future:			
October 18, 2017	Telecom Franchise Agreement [Request for Approval by Council]	Jeff Lueders, Information Technology Supv, MCO	This item is a request for ordinance related to telecommunications and franchise services, granting a ten-year Telecommunications Franchise Agreement to Crown Castle, wireless communications facilities within public right-of-way areas within the City of Tacoma.
	2016 CAFR Review	Susan Calderon, Assistant Finance Director, Finance Department	The 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) is a comprehensive annual report that provides an overview of the City of Tacoma's budget that includes financial statements, audit documents, and balance sheets.
	Joint Audit Advisory Board		
	State Auditor's Office (SAO)	State of Washington Auditor's Office	The State Auditor has conducted their 2016 Federal and Financial audit of the City's financial and federal transactions and will present the results of their work. The City was issued a "Clean" audit report for both the Federal and Financial audits.
November 1, 2017	Telecom Franchise Agreement [Request for Approval by Council]	Jeff Lueders, Information Technology Supv, MCO	This item is a request for ordinance related to telecommunications and franchise services, granting a ten-year Telecommunications Franchise Agreement to ExteNet, wireless communications facilities within public right-of-way areas within the City of Tacoma

<b>Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee</b>			
<b>Committee Members:</b> Mello (Chair), Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Alternate-Blocker <b>Executive Liaison:</b> Mark Lauzier; Staff Support - Rebecca Boydston		2nd and 4th Wednesdays 4:30 p.m. Room 16	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> •Sustainable Tacoma Commission •Planning Commission •Landmarks Preservation Commission •Board of Building Appeals •Transportation Commission
<b>October 11, 2017</b>	2018 Amendments and Planning Work Program Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Stephen Atkinson, Sr Planner, PDS</i>	Staff will be presenting on recent progress on the Long-range planning work program as well as modifications to the scope of amendments under consideration for adoption in 2018.
	Skip Vaughn Trail Naming [Request for Recommendation]	<i>Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer, PDS</i>	For naming the Gwilymn "Skip" Vaughn Trail. It is going through landmarks currently and I expect a motion to approve at the end of September. Next step in the process is Council Committee for a recommendation or Do Pass.
	Biogas Project [Informational Briefing]	<i>Jim Parvey, OEPS</i>	The Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability will provide an update on the status of the bio-gas project at the Central Treatment Plant. This project will purify bio-gas from the wastewater treatment plant so that it can be used for vehicle fuel. This fuel is known as Compressed Renewable Natural Gas (CRNG) and is used to replace geological natural gas resulting in greatly reduced greenhouse gas emissions.
<b>Future:</b>			
<b>October 25, 2017</b>	Unified Development Code Update	<i>Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services</i>	Director Huffman will provide a status update on the Unified Development Code.
	Puyallup Ave Corridor Conceptual Design	<i>Mark D'Andrea, Engineer, Public Works</i>	Our traffic study will be complete, and we will summarize in a report. We will come to IPS to present the outcome of the project with all comments.
	Ruston Way Visioning	<i>Ian Munce, Planning and Development Services; Andrew Austin, Govt Relations Manager, Metro Parks</i>	
	Regional Climate Change Pledge	<i>Kristi Lynett, OEPS</i>	
<b>November 8, 2017</b>	Planning Commission Interviews	<i>Doris Sorum, City Clerk</i>	Council District No. 5 open
	2018 Amendments Progress and Key Issues	<i>Stephen Atkinson, Sr Planner, PDS</i>	<i>needs 1 hour, only schedule 2 topics</i>
	Small Cell Update	<i>Jeff Lueders, Franchise Services, MCO; Steve Victor, CAO; Randy Lewis, Govt. Relations</i>	