

City of Tacoma

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COPY: City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT: Resolution – Nominating and appointing Robert Thoms as the Deputy Mayor of the

City of Tacoma – January 3, 2017

DATE: December 7, 2016

SUMMARY:

Nominating and appointing Council Member Robert Thoms to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2017.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Strickland

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

Appointing 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 Ryan Mello's term as Deputy Mayor will expire December 31, 2016. Council Member Robert Thoms' interest in serving and seniority status qualify him as an excellent 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 Ryan Mello's term as Deputy Mayor will expire December 31, 2016.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council can make the nomination and appointment at a later date, or choose an alternate Council Member.

RECOMMENDATION:

Nominating and appointing Council Member Robert Thoms to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.