



**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Nicole Emery, City Clerk  
**COPY:** Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee Members; Ramiro Chavez  
**PRESENTER:** Nicole Emery, City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration and recommendation of applicants to the Urban Design Board  
**DATE:** October 30, 2024

**PRESENTATION TYPE:**  
 Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

**SUMMARY:**  
 The Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee will interview and may recommend up to seven applicants to the full City Council for appointment to the Urban Design Board. Recruitment efforts for the open seats include notifying over fifteen organizations with subject matter experts, including the University of Washington Tacoma School of Urban Design and the Master Builders Association of Pierce County. Below is a list of the applicants:

APPLICANTS	COUNCIL DISTRICT	ELIGIBLE POSITION(S)
Clara Cheeves	2	Design and Development Professional Allied Community Representative
Reid Fetters	Outside City Limits	Design and Development Professional
William Ryan Givens	3	Design and Development Professional
Stephanie Gowing	1	Allied Community Representative
Christiano Martínez*	2	Allied Community Representative
Krystal Monteros	5	Allied Community Representative
Deborah A Ranniger	4	Design and Development Professional
Chris Reeh	4	Design and Development Professional
Guion Rosenzweig	4	Allied Community Representative
Brett Santhuff	3	Design and Development Professional
Jennifer Weddermann	2	Design and Development Professional Allied Community Representative
Leslie E. Young	4	Allied Community Representative
Deirdre Wilson	3	Design and Development Professional

\*Providing written response

**BACKGROUND:**  
 The Tacoma City Council established an Urban Design Board (Board) in May 2024 with the approval of Ordinance No. 28966. The Board is guided by Tacoma Municipal Code Section 13.19.030 and provides early concept design guidance, makes final design decisions for specific Urban Design Project Review permits, provides advisory input to the City on matters related to urban design, and serves as an educational resource to the community and an advocate for design excellence, benefiting all of Tacoma and its community members.

**ISSUE:**  
 Positions need to be filled on the newly created Board.

**ALTERNATIVES:**  
 The Committee could not appoint individuals to serve on the Board.



**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee recommend the appointment of up to seven applicants to the Urban Design Board, which will be forwarded to the full City Council on December 3, 2024.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Urban Design Board Applications  
Current Roster