



City of Tacoma

Community Vitality and Safety

Committee Minutes

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February 22, 2024

4:30 PM

Chair Catherine Ushka, Vice Chair Sarah Rumbaugh, Jamika Scott,
Kristina Walker, John Hines (alternate)

Call To Order

Vice Chair Rumbaugh called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

Council Member Walker participated virtually.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Briefing Items

1. [24-0169](#) Human Rights Commission Interviews
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:34 p.m., Susan Haigh, Deputy City Clerk, informed the Committee there are currently seven vacancies on the Human Rights Commission (HRC).

The Committee interviewed Scott Schubert, Mona Baghdadi, Lisa Hamlin, Bre Johnson, Collin Thrower, Kelly Oshiro, Mary Ann Lara, and Lohitvenkatesh Oswal.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the number of applicants and positions available, the applicants' qualifications, and which applicants live within the city limits.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Scott Schubert to the Human Rights Commission to serve a three-year term, retroactive to March 1, 2024, to expire February 28, 2027.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Mona Baghdadi to the Human Rights Commission to serve a three-year term, retroactive to March 1, 2024, to expire February 28, 2027.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Lisa Hamlin to the Human Rights Commission to serve a three-year term, retroactive to March 1, 2024, to expire February 28, 2027.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved recommend the appointment of Bre Johnson to the Human Rights Commission to serve a three-year term, retroactive to March 1, 2024, to expire February 28, 2027.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Lohitvenkatesh Oswal to the Human Rights Commission to serve a three-year term, retroactive to March 1, 2024, to expire February 28, 2027.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Collin Thrower to the Human Rights Commission to fill an unexpired term, to expire February 28, 2026.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Kelly Oshiro to the Human Rights Commission to fill an unexpired term, to expire February 28, 2025, followed by a three-year term to expire February 29, 2028.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to recommend the appointment of Mary Ann Lara to the Human Rights Commission to fill an unexpired term, to expire February 28, 2025, followed by a three-year term to expire February 29, 2028.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Hines

Absent: 2 - Ushka and Scott

- 2. [24-0170](#) Human Services Commission Annual Report
[Vicky McLaurin, Systems and Strategy Division Manager,
Neighborhood and Community Services]

This item was not addressed. Vice Chair Rumbaugh requested it be rescheduled.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

- 3. [24-0172](#) March 14, 2024 - Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Interviews;
2024 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community
Development;
Community's Police Advisory Committee Annual Report
March 28, 2024 - Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities Annual Report

This item was not discussed.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Catherine Ushka, Chair

Hollyann Piotrowski, City Clerk's Office