

City of Tacoma

TO: Hyun Kim, Interim City Manager

FROM: Nicole Emery, City Clerk

COPY: Community Vitality and Safety Committee Members; Vicky McLaurin

PRESENTER: Nicole Emery, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of applicants to the Human Services Commission

DATE: September 11, 2025

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

SUMMARY:

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee will interview and may recommend up to six applicants to the full City Council for appointment or reappointment to the Human Services Commission. Recruitment efforts for the open seats included distributing a news release and posting on the City's website, and notifying over fifteen organizations. Below is a list of the applicants:

APPLICANTS	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Tinatolog Bullen	5
Joan Bunnell	1
Josh Gannis	3
Amanda Harris	2
Micheel Medina	4
Moira O'Crotty	1
Ashley Ricks	5
Fallon Schneider	1
Kaisa Swenddal-White	2
Gwendolin Webb	5
Kristi Coyne (seeking reappointment)	1
Nikki Singh (seeking reappointment)	3

BACKGROUND:

The Human Services Commission (Commission) conducts public hearings, accepts and reviews funding applications, rates project applications, and makes human services funding recommendations to the City Council. The Commission also serves as a resource to the City Council and City Staff for implementation of the City's Human Services Strategic Plan.

ISSUE:

Positions need to be filled on the Commission.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Commission will continue to operate without full membership.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.



RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests that the Community Vitality and Safety Committee recommend the appointment or reappointment of up to six applicants to the Human Services Commission, which will be forwarded to the full City Council on September 30, 2025.