

# Local Employment & Apprenticeship Training Program (LEAP)

City of Tacoma | Community & Economic Development Department

City Council June 4, 2024

# **AGENDA**



- LEAP Background
- LEAP Overview
- LEAP Advisory Committee
- Program Outcomes
- 2024 Priorities
- Proposed Code Revisions
- Next Steps

## **BACKGROUND**





- Purpose employment opportunities for local residents
- Establishment of Program
- Compliance Measures workforce utilization requirements
- Oversight

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- Types of projects with LEAP Requirements
- Thresholds for LEAP
- Measuring Compliance
- Noncompliance Consequences
- Benefits to Workers and Families
- Benefits to Contractors
- Workforce Development



### ••• OVERVIEW



- Types of Projects with LEAP Requirements
  - Public Work & Improvements and Related Service Contracts
    - Civil Projects
    - Building Projects
- Thresholds for Categories of LEAP Requirements
  - Civil Projects of \$250,000 and up Local Employee
  - Building Projects \$750,000 and up Local Employee
  - Projects of \$1 million and Local Employee and additional Apprentice Requirement

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#### LEAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE



The LEAP Advisory Committee meets quarterly to provide program oversite and policy recommendations

Voting Members are from seven constituency groups:

Residents of Tacoma

Construction companies doing business with the City of Tacoma Members of the Puyallup Tribe

Members of organized labor representing various industry crafts Community-based organizations

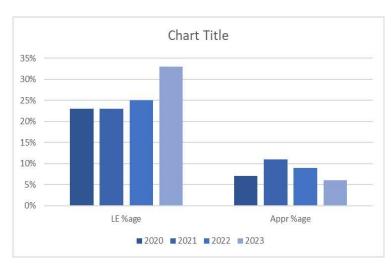
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## PROGRAM OUTCOMES UP TO 2024

- Past Data 2008 2015
  - Local Employee
    Utilization average 17%
- Current Data 2020 2023
  - Local Employee Utilization average 26%
  - Apprentice Utilization average 8%



### 2024 PRIORITIES



#### **Program Improvements**

- Contractor education and assistance
- Support to increase local employee and apprentice utilization on projects with LEAP requirements
  - Compliance enforcement
  - Code enforcement
- Code Revisions



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# PROPOSED CODE REVISIONS



To strengthen LEAP and ensure apprenticeship training and employment opportunities for local residents we propose:

- Replacing the use of the term 'goals' with 'requirements' and CED Director with 'LEAP Coordinator'
- Updating noncompliance penalty assessments
  - o Results of assessment of penalties from 2008 2015
  - Penalty assessment amounts have not changed since at least 2008





#### **Current Penalty Structure**

Percent	Assessment per
of Requirement Met	Unmet Hour
100%	\$ 0.00
90% - 99%	\$ 2.00
75% - 89%	\$ 3.50
50% - 74%	\$ 5.00
1% - 49%	\$ 7.50
0%	\$ 10.00

#### **Proposed Penalty Structure**

Percent	Assessment per
of Requirement Met	Unmet Hour
100%	\$ 0.00
90% - 99%	\$ 12.00
75% - 89%	\$ 21.00
50% - 74%	\$ 30.00
1% - 49%	\$ 45.00
0%	\$ 60.00

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# NEXT STEPS



Implementation of 2024 Priorities

Tacoma Municipal Code 1.90

Study Session Presentation – June 4, 2024

First Reading of Ordinance 28970 – June 4, 2024

Second Reading – June 2024



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