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SUBJECT: Relocation Assistance
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PRESENTATION TYPE:

Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:

On May 1, 2018, the City Council passed Resolution Number 40003. Specifically, the Resolution directs the City Manager to review current funding for tenant assistance and provide information and options relating to relocation assistance for discussion by the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, as part of an overall strategy related to tenant rights.

BACKGROUND:

The Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance would have two primary benefits for renters being displaced by development:

- Provide relocation assistance to low income households
- Provide all households with adequate time to search for new housing and move

ISSUE:

The Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance will help prevent homelessness and relieve the burden on local service agencies. Low-income renters often have difficult times finding funds for moving expenses and for a deposit when attempting to relocate. Before the sunset date of September 30, 2018, the Community Vitality and Safety Committee must discuss policy options and bring forth recommendations related to tenants' rights for Tacoma residents.

ALTERNATIVES:

There are no alternatives presented during this briefing.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No known fiscal impact at the time of this briefing.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information briefing only. There is no recommendation.