

#### CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST (CCR)

TO:

Mayor & City Council

FROM:

Council Member Victoria Woodards

COPIES TO:

T.C. Broadnax, City Manager; Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; Nadia Chandler

Hardy, Assistant to the City Manager; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney

SUBJECT:

Revisions to the City Council Standing Committees

DATE:

January 12, 2016

#### ITEM/ISSUE PROPOSED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the City Council Agenda at the earliest available meeting:

#### BRIEF BACKGROUND:

In order to provide more efficient meetings for the City Council and staff, who prepare and attend the meetings, I would like to recommend the following revisions to the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma, Rule 15-Standing Committees, Section A, be forwarded to the City Council in a resolution for consideration:

- Removing Item 4, Neighborhoods and Housing, as an established standing committee. Assignments listed in the Council Standing Committee Process Manual under the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee often overlap with, and can be covered more efficiently by, the other standing committees. Please see the attached document with the Committee's current assignments and potential reassignments to the other standing committees.
- Revising Item 5, "Public Safety, Human Services and Education", by changing the name of this standing committee to "Community Vitality and Safety" to better reflect the wide variety of topics discussed by that Committee.

#### **FUNDING REQUESTED:**

No additional funding will be needed for this request.

SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:

SUPPORTING COUNCILMEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)

(Signatures demonstrate support to initiate discussion and consideration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy

development and staff guidance (tifection.)

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### **Neighborhoods and Housing Committee**

Proposed reassignment of topics (policies, issues, programs, initiatives and services) currently assigned:

#### **Economic Development Committee**

Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Program (added)

#### Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability

- Historic preservation (residential/single family) Parks and recreational facilities
- Neighborhood-based infrastructure issues (includes traffic calming, sidewalks, streetlights, streets and grounds)
- Residential land use and zoning issues (currently covered under IPS)

# List of citizen committees, boards and commissions appointment recommendations:

- Landmarks Preservation Commission

# Public Safety, Human Services and Education (proposed name Community Vitality and Safety)

- Affordable housing policies (including the consolidated housing plan)
- Code Compliance and Community Based Services
- · Crime free housing initiatives
- Neighborhood improvement initiatives
- Neighborhood Councils
- Library services (related to branch services, awareness and neighborhood issues and impacts) (currently covered under PSHSE)

## List of citizen committees, boards and commissions appointment recommendations:

- Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Commission
- Tacoma Housing Authority Board