



**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk  
**COPY:** Government Performance and Finance Committee Members; Andy Cherullo  
**PRESENTER:** Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration and recommendation of an applicant to the Public Utility Board  
**DATE:** August 15, 2023

**PRESENTATION TYPE:**  
 Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

**SUMMARY:**  
 On Friday, July 7, 2023, Board Member Cohen submitted her resignation as a Member of the Public Utility Board, effective immediately.

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will interview and may recommend one applicant to the full City Council for appointment to the Public Utility Board. Below is a list of the applicants:

APPLICANTS	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Anita Gallagher	3
Jacob W Hunter	3
Phyllis McElroy	5
Robert Oesch	2
Jesus Ernesto Reyes III	1
Jennifer Tetatzin	1

**BACKGROUND:**  
 The Public Utility Board acts as the governing body for Tacoma Public Utilities and oversees the management and operation of Tacoma Power, Tacoma Water, and Tacoma Rail. The Board consists of five members who serve five-year terms.

**ISSUE:**  
 A vacancy occurred as of July 7, 2023.

**ALTERNATIVES:**  
 The Board would operate without full membership.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  
 There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**  
 Staff requests that the Government Performance and Finance Committee recommend the appointment of one applicant to the Public Utility Board, which would be forwarded to the full City Council on August 22, 2023.



**ATTACHMENTS:**

Public Utility Board Applications

Current Roster