



**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST**

**(TO:** Deputy Mayor & City Council  
**FROM:** Mayor Woodards and Chief Policy Analyst Melanie Harding  
**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Mgr.; Tadd Wille, Deputy City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney  
**SUBJECT:** **3-month Appointment Extension of Library Trustee Board President Wayne Williams – 7/20/2021 (Study session other items of business)**  
**DATE:** July 9, 2021

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**I ask for your support for a resolution extending the appointment term of Library Board Trustee Wayne Williams for a period not to exceed three-months.**

**LEGISLATIVE INTENT:**

**Resolution/Ordinance Request:**

The resolution would change Mr. Williams’s term end date from September 27, 2021 to December 27, 2021. The recommendation is based on Tacoma Public Library’s (TPL) need to on-board and orient a new trustee, transition a new Board President, and seamlessly conclude year-end processes without significant interruptions to the current order of business by extending Wayne Williams’s appointment to the Library Board of Trustees for a period not to exceed three months.

Currently, Trustee terms are tied to when the precedent exited the role, and so can be scheduled to conclude in any month of the year. Due to its placement on the calendar, a term ending in September significantly disrupts multiple organizational processes. Extending President Williams’s term just three months will ensure proper role transitions, on-boarding, and conclusion of year-end processes.

DESIRED RESOLUTION DATE: July 27, 2021

**ALIGNMENT WITH TACOMA 2025 KEY FOCUS AREAS:**

This legislation, program, project, or event is best aligned with the following (Check all that apply):

**Civic Engagement:** *Equity Index Score:* Select an Index Score.

Elected officials, boards, commissions, and volunteer leadership will reflect the diversity of the Tacoma community.

Representation at public meetings will reflect the diversity of the Tacoma community

**Livability:** *Equity Index Score:* Very High Opportunity

Increase positive public perception of safety and overall quality of life.

**Equity and Accessibility:**



President Williams is instrumental in Tacoma Public Library’s process of updating its policies and procedures, some of which are decades old. Through this work the Library is better able to identify how its processes and practices perpetuate inequities in the service it provides to the community.

If you have a question related to the Council Consideration Request, please contact Melanie Harding (Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor) at (253) 591-5156 or [melanie.harding@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:melanie.harding@cityoftacoma.org)

SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:   
Mayor Woodards

**SUPPORTING COUNCIL MEMBERS 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/direction.)*

1.  POS# 1
2.  POS# 6