



# City of Tacoma

## Community Vitality and Safety

### Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 859 6160 4917

Hybrid (747 Market Street and Zoom)

**January 11, 2024**

**4:30 PM**

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Chair Catherine Ushka, Vice Chair Sarah Rumbaugh, Jamika Scott,  
Kristina Walker, John Hines (alternate)

#### Call To Order

Council Member Ushka called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Ushka, Rumbaugh and Scott

**Absent:** 1 - Walker

Council Member Scott participated virtually.

#### Public Comment

There was no public comment.

#### Briefing Items

1. [24-0045](#) Election of the Committee Chair and Vice Chair

Council Member Ushka provided opening remarks on the election of the Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

**MOTION: Council Member Rumbaugh moved to reelect Council Member Ushka as Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee for the year 2024.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Scott.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 3 - Ushka, Rumbaugh and Scott

**Absent:** 1 - Walker

**MOTION: Chair Ushka moved to elect Council Member Rumbaugh as Vice Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee for the year 2024.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Scott.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 3 - Ushka, Rumbaugh and Scott

**Absent:** 1 - Walker

2. [24-0046](#)

Anti-Displacement Strategy Briefing

[Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy]

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy, presented a briefing on the affordable housing anti-displacement strategy including background; description of the anti-displacement strategy; actions for 2024, noting current work, expansion of existing programs, and new policies to research and begin developing; and other options.

Discussion ensued regarding area clarification on incentives; preservation ordinance; short-term rental regulations and assistance; owner occupied unit guidelines; community land trust, noting a request to reserve funds; parking, equity map, and transit concerns; accessory dwelling unit accelerator; Landlord Fairness Code; and enforcement.

### Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [24-0047](#)

- January 25, 2024 - Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Interviews; Commission on Immigrant and Refugees Affairs Annual Report and Workplan
- February 8, 2024 - Human Rights Commission Interviews
- February 22, 2024 - Human Rights Commission Interviews

D’Angelo Baker, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting is on January 25, 2024, and will include the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority interviews, and the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs annual report and workplan; and the February 8, 2024, meeting will include Human Rights Commission interviews.

## **Other Items of Interest**

Vice Chair Rumbaugh requested a follow-up briefing on dangerous dogs, noting how they are deemed dangerous by the Humane Society, and requests for assistance received by animal control. Chair Ushka discussed how she will ask at Committee meetings going forward if any Committee members have attended any committees, boards, or commissions meetings that report or advise their Committee.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

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Catherine Ushka, Chair

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Hollyann Piotrowski, City Clerk's Office