



TO: Hyun Kim, Interim City Manager
FROM: Nicole Emery, City Clerk
Chris Bacha, City Attorney
COPY: City Council
SUBJECT: Resolution – Appointing and reappointing individuals to the Tacoma Arts Commission – January 6, 2026
DATE: December 12, 2025

SUMMARY:

Appointing and reappointing the following individuals to the Tacoma Arts Commission:

- Appointing Lindsey Dodge to the “At-Large 2” position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2028.
- Appointing Domonique Herrin to the “At-Large 7” position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2028.
- Appointing Sierra Suafoa-McClain to the “At-Large 9” position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2026, followed by a three-year term to expire December 31, 2029.
- Appointing Janessa Post to the “Professional Position 1” position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2028.
- Appointing Yixuan Pan to the “Professional Position 2” position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2028.
- Appointing Elizabeth Panameno to the “Tacoma Public Education Rep.” position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2026, followed by a three-year term to expire December 31, 2029.
- Reappointing Sarah Jane Hoppe to the “At-Large 3” position to serve a three-year term, retroactive to January 1, 2026, to expire December 31, 2028.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Deputy Mayor Daniels and Council Members Bushnell, Diaz, and Scott.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

Appointing individuals to the Tacoma Arts Commission (Commission) best aligns with the strategic priority policy related to fostering neighborhood, community, and economic development vitality and sustainability because the Commission provides leadership in supporting and enhancing the arts for the benefit of the City and its residents.

BACKGROUND:

At the December 9, 2025, Economic Development Committee meeting, the Committee conducted interviews and recommended the appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above.

ISSUE:

Positions need to be filled on the Tacoma Arts Commission.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Commission will continue to operate without full membership.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Economic Development Committee recommends the appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above.



FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.