



# City of Tacoma Economic Development Committee Minutes

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November 09, 2021

10:00 AM

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Chair Robert Thoms, Vice Chair Conor McCarthy, Keith Blocker,  
Catherine Ushka, Victoria Woodards (alternate)

## Call To Order

Chair Thoms called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Blocker, Thoms and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

All Council Members participated virtually.

## Approval of Minutes

1. [21-1087](#) Approval of the minutes of the June 8, 2021 meeting

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021, meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Blocker, Thoms and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## Briefing Items

2. [21-1086](#) Outdoor Dining Program Update  
[Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer, Public Works]

At approximately 10:06 a.m., Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer, Public Works, gave an update on the outdoor dining program, including an overview; background; program considerations, noting the mission and approach, sidewalk and amenity program, curbside program, and program funding; community engagement; and a timeline, noting the temporary pilot program ends on October 1, 2022.

Discussion ensued regarding an extended application deadline, outreach options, the initial implementation of the program and the length of establishing a permanent process, cost of parklet fabrication, and future work on the program.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [21-1088](#) November 23, 2021 - Tacoma Venues & Events

Lynda Foster, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on November 23, 2021, and will include a presentation on Tacoma Venues and Events; the November 30, 2021, meeting will include interviews for the Tacoma Arts Commission; and that the December 14, 2021, meeting will be the last meeting of the year and will include an annual report from Tacoma Creates.

## Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

 on behalf of

Robert Thoms, Chair



Jered Lobban, City Clerk's Office