

City of Tacoma

TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager

FROM: Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk, City Attorney's Office

COPY: City Council

SUBJECT: Resolution – Reappointing Shennetta Smith to the Board of Commissioners of the

Tacoma Housing Authority – August 15, 2023

DATE: July 24, 2023

SUMMARY:

A resolution reappointing Shennetta Smith to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority (THA). for a term beginning August 22, 2023, and ending on August 21, 2028.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

This action will encourage and promote an open, effective, results-oriented organization by ensuring the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) has full membership and can continue to oversee the management and operation of the THA.

BACKGROUND:

Under Tacoma City Charter Section 2.4, appointments may be made by a majority vote of the City Council from names presented in writing to the City Council by the Mayor. Tacoma Housing Authority Commissioner Shennetta Smith's current term will expire on August 21, 2023. THA Executive Director April Black indicates that Commissioner Smith has made meaningful contributions in his position, and she is eligible for re-appointment. On July 24, 2023, Mayor Woodards nominated Shennetta Smith for reappointment to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority in writing to Interim City Clerk Susan Haigh.

ISSUE:

There is a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority which should be filled so the Board has full membership.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority can still meet; however, it will have an expired term until an appointment is made.

RECOMMENDATION:

Mayor Woodards is recommending the reappointment of Shennetta Smith to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a term beginning August 22, 2023, and ending on August 21, 2028.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.