



TO: Mayor Woodards
FROM: Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk
Bill Fosbre, City Attorney
COPY: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; and City Council
SUBJECT: Resolution – Appointing Anita Gallagher to the Tacoma Public Utility Board –
August 22, 2023
DATE: August 16, 2023

SUMMARY:

Appointing Anita Gallagher to the Tacoma Public Utility Board to fill an unexpired term, to expire June 30, 2026.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Deputy Mayor Walker and Council Members Bushnell, Hines, and Rumbaugh.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

Appointing to the Board best aligns with the strategic priority policy related to encouraging and promoting an open, effective, results-oriented organization because the Tacoma Public Utility Board acts as the governing body for Tacoma Public Utilities.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Tacoma City Charter sections 4.8 and 2.4, the Mayor appoints the members of the Tacoma Public Utility Board, which must be confirmed by a majority of the City Council. At the August 15, 2023, Government Performance and Finance Committee meeting, the Committee reviewed applications, interviewed the candidates, and recommended to the Mayor appointment of Anita Gallagher. The Mayor has accepted the recommendation of the Committee and forwards the appointment of Anita Gallagher to the City Council for confirmation.

ISSUE:

A position needs to be filled on the Tacoma Public Utility Board.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board will continue to operate without full membership.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Mayor accepts the recommendation of the Government Performance and Finance Committee to appoint Anita Gallagher to the Tacoma Public Utility Board.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.