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**SUBJECT:** Tidy-Up Tacoma Update  
**DATE:** March 19, 2024

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**PRESENTATION TYPE:**  
 Informational Briefing

**SUMMARY:**  
 Staff from the Solid Waste Management Division will brief the Government Performance & Finance Committee (Committee) on 2023 Tidy-Up Tacoma successes; next steps, priorities; and long-term program goals.

**BACKGROUND:**  
 The Tidy-Up Tacoma program was expanded in 2023 through a 6 percent Solid Waste excise tax. The tax went into effect in April of 2023 and the program began expansion activities at that time. Staff will present on 2023 Tidy-Up Tacoma activities, successes, next steps, priorities, and long-term program goals.

**ISSUE:**  
 Tidy-Up Tacoma has been expanded to address the issues of litter and debris in public spaces, maintenance and expansion of the public litter can program, trail maintenance, graffiti mitigation, encampment cleanup, and bill payment assistance. In 2023, the program recruited staff to fill new positions and engaged the community seeking input on program priorities. In addition, the program undertook an inventory and assessment of the existing public litter cans and began replacing cans that were damaged or no longer functional. During this presentation, staff will share more information on these topics as well as next steps and long-term goals.

**ALTERNATIVES:**  
 This is an information briefing only. There are no alternatives presented.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  
 This is an information briefing only. There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**  
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