

# City of Tacoma Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248
Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 844 1669 0206
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August 15, 2023 10:00 AM

## Call To Order

Chair Hines called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Deputy Mayor Walker participated virtually.

### **Briefing Items**

1. <u>23-0812</u> Public Utility Board Interviews [Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk]

At approximately 10:03 a.m., Susan Haigh, Interim City Clerk, informed the Committee that they would be interviewing five applicants for the Public Utility Board to fill one position, for an unexpired term vacated by Board Member Holland Cohen that will expire on June 30, 2026.

The Committee Interviewed Anita Gallagher, Jacob W. Hunter, Phyllis McElroy, Robert Oesch, and Jennifer Tetatzin.

The Government Performance and Finance (GPF) Committee recessed at 10:56 a.m.

The GPF Committee reconvened at 10:59 a.m.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the interview process, and qualifications of the applicants.

MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to recommend Anita Gallagher to the Public Utility Board to fill an unexpired term, to expire on June 30, 2026.

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh** 

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

Aves: 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

23-0813 Climate Commitment Act
 [Todd Lloyd, Assistant Section Manager, Tacoma Power]

At approximately 11:13 a.m., Todd Lloyd, Assistant Section Manager, Tacoma Power, provided opening remarks on the Climate Commitment Act (CCA) and introduced Kyle Frankiewich, Energy Policy and Regulatory Analyst, and Joy Liechty, Energy Trading Manager, Tacoma Power. Frankiewich continued with an overview of the CCA, noting the projected emissions cap over time; CCA mechanics for electric utilities; compliance milestones for 2023-2024; the four year compliance window from 2023-2026; updated forecast on allowances allocation; true-up key provisions, noting WAC 173-446-230 distribution of allowances to electric utilities; two possible states of the world noting emissions not fully verses fully offset, and ecology implementation; true-up function by November 2024. Liechty continued with CCA uncertainty impacting operations and trading. Frankiewich concluded with updating the forecast.

Discussion ensued regarding Bonneville Power Admonistration being carbon neutral, wholesale trading and obligations, energy imbalance market being deemed as unspecified and the CCA impact, increased costs of power, premiums being placed on carbon free resources, and who controls the credits and how to properly utilize them.

# **Topics for Upcoming Meetings**

3. <u>23-0814</u> September 5, 2023 - Cancelled

September 19, 2023 - Monthly Budget Update; Power Trading 101;

Title 6 Amendments - Utility Tax Chapters; Title 6

Amendments-General Clean Up

October 3, 2023 - Charter Review Process; Proposals to Modify Large Load

Rate Class Structures

D'Angelo Baker, Committee Liaison, stated September 5, 2023, the meeting will be cancelled in observance of Labor Day; the September 19, 2023, meeting will include a budget update, a presentation on power trading, and two proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code Title 6 relating to utility tax chapters, general clean up; and the meeting on October 3, 2023, will include a presentation on the Charter Review process.

#### Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

John Hines, Chair

Kimberly Kerby Kimberly Kerby, City Clerk's Office