

City of Tacoma

TO: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Resolution Request for 4 Neighborhood Council Boundaries Adjustments – August 5, 2014

DATE: July 22, 2014

SUMMARY:

Staff is requesting a Resolution for 4 boundary adjustments impacting 5 Neighborhood Councils. The adjustments were requested by the Community Council of Tacoma (CCOT) during the 2013 Neighborhood Council Program review and were reviewed by the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee on July 21, 2014.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

This request for Resolution fulfills Council strategic priority to "Foster neighborhood, community, and economic development vitality and sustainability" by improving the community engagement within our Neighborhood Councils for notification, outreach and collaboration through adjustments for the purpose of better alignment between existing neighborhoods and / or existing roadway boundaries.

BACKGROUND:

The Neighborhood Council Program was comprehensively reviewed in 2013 which resulted in revisions to TMC 1.45 as well as the adoption of a Standards and Guidelines Document for the program. On August 5, 2013, recommendations were made to the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee by the CCOT for consideration by City Council which would impact 4 locations and 5 Neighborhood Councils; West End, North End, Central, New Tacoma and Northeast Tacoma.

ISSUE:

Section 1.45.050 states; "the City Council shall determine the boundaries of the Neighborhood Councils and shall set those boundaries by Resolution". Staff has reviewed the recommendations from August 5th and will bring these recommendations before the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee for discussion prior to requesting a formal Resolution.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council may choose not to adopt the revised Neighborhood Council Boundaries and leave the existing boundaries in place.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the adoption of proposed Resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.