



# City of Tacoma

## Economic Development

### Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

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**August 29, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

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Chair Keith Blocker, Vice Chair Kiara Daniels, Joe Bushnell,  
Olgy Diaz, Sarah Rumbaugh (alternate)

### Call To Order

Chair Blocker called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

### Roll Call

**Present:** 4 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels and Rumbaugh

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

### Public Comment

There was no public comment.

### Approval of Minutes

1. [23-0853](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee of the April 25, 2023, meeting.

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2023, meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels and Rumbaugh

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

## Briefing Items

2. [23-0849](#) Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee Interviews  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk]

At approximately 10:05 a.m., Nicole Emery, City Clerk, informed the Committee they would be interviewing three applicants for the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee, there are eight open positions, and today's applicants qualify for the Certified Business and Large Prime business positions; Timothy Pinckney is seeking reappointment but unable to interview; and Jared Ross withdrew from consideration.

The Committee interviewed Angela Michaelis and Clint Myers.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding allowing staff to speak to Pinckney's qualifications, available positions, a request for additional recruitment, potential conflicts of interest, appreciation for those who applied, and diversity.

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell recommend the appointment of Angela Michaelis to the “Certified Business No. 2” position on the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee to serve a three-year term, retroactive to September 1, 2023, to expire August 31, 2026.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Daniels.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels and Rumbaugh

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell move to recommend the reappointment of Timothy Pinckney to the “Certified Business No. 1” position on the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee to serve a three-year term, retroactive to September 1, 2023, to expire August 31, 2026.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels and Rumbaugh

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to recommend the appointment of Clint Myers to the “Large Prime” position on the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee to fill an unexpired term, to expire August 31, 2025.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels and Rumbaugh

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to re-advertise for the Equity in Contracting Advising Committee.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Daniels.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels and Rumbaugh

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3.     [23-0850](#)     September 12, 2023 -    Minority Business Development Agency Update  
                          September 26, 2023 -    Neighborhood Business District Update, Business License Fee Update  
                          October 10, 2023 -     Final BIPOC Business Alliance Report

Cathy Satava, Committee Liaison, stated that the next meeting will be held on September 12, 2023, and will include the Minority Business Development Agency update; the September 26, 2023, meeting will include the Neighborhood Business District update and the business license fee update; and the October 10, 2023, meeting will include the final BIPOC Business Alliance report.

## Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

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Keith Blocker, Chair

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Hollyann Piotrowski, City Clerk's Office