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**SUBJECT:** Consideration and recommendation of volunteers to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees for Proposition No. X concerning the levy lid lift for the regular property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department– July 16, 2024  
**DATE:** July 16, 2024

**PRESENTATION TYPE:**  
 Request for Resolution

**SUMMARY:**

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will review and may recommend volunteers to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees that will prepare statements “for” and “against” Proposition No. X, concerning a levy lid lift for the regular property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department, which will appear in the Voters’ Pamphlet for the November 5, 2024, Primary Election. Below is a list of applicants:

Applicants	Committee
Michael Fitzgerald	“For”
James Duggan	“For”
Conor McCarthy	“For”
Robert Thoms (received after the deadline)	“For”

Applicants	Committee
Rita Adreeva	“Against”
Steven Cook	“Against”
Donna Walters	“Against”

**BACKGROUND:**

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will consider letters of interest at their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, and may provide recommendations. The names of the individuals recommended for appointment will be considered by Resolution at an upcoming City Council meeting.

Per RCW 29A.32.280, for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local Voters’ Pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than the resolution deadline, formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters’ approval of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters’ rejection of the measure.



**ISSUE:**

Individuals need to be appointed to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees and submitted to the Pierce County Auditor by August 6, 2024.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

If the City fails to appoint “For” and “Against” Committees by the deadline, the Pierce County Auditor’s Office will seek out and, whenever possible, appoint up to three members to each committee.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests that the Government Performance and Finance Committee recommend individuals to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees to prepare statements “for” and “against” Proposition No. X.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Letters of interest for the “For” and “Against” Committees.