



# City of Tacoma Economic Development Committee Minutes

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**August 27, 2020**

**10:30 AM**

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Chair Robert Thoms, Vice Chair Conor McCarthy, Keith Blocker,  
Catherine Ushka, Chris Beale (alternate)

## SPECIAL MEETING

### Call To Order

Chair Thoms called the special meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

### Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - McCarthy, Thoms and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Blocker

Deputy Mayor Blocker arrived at 10:53 a.m.

All Council Members participated virtually.

### Briefing Items

1. [20-0524](#) Tacoma Creates Interviews  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 10:36 a.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, informed the Committee that during the August 25, 2020, Economic Development Committee meeting, eight applicants were interviewed for the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board (TCAB); and today, the Committee would be interviewing eight additional applicants.

The Committee interviewed Jason Gamboa and Dominica Myers.

Deputy Mayor Blocker arrived here, at 10:53 a.m.

The Committee further interviewed Liesl Santkuyl, Mike Sweney, Davon White, Sheree Cooks, Caroline Brandau, and Michael (Tony) Hudson.

Discussion ensued regarding the applicant selection process, having a special meeting on September 1, 2020, to complete the recommendations for the TCAB, and the applicants that were not able to participate in the interviews.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

2. [20-0525](#) September 8, 2020 - Cancelled  
September 22, 2020 - Port of Tacoma Strategic Plan

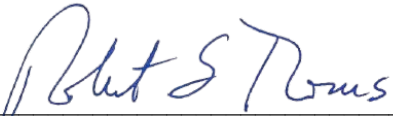
This item was not addressed.


## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the special meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

  
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Robert Thoms, Chair

  
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Mary Crabtree, City Clerk's Office