



**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Nicole Emery, City Clerk  
**COPY:** Economic Development Committee Members; Pat Beard  
**PRESENTER:** Nicole Emery, City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration and recommendation of applicants to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board  
**DATE:** July 30, 2024

**PRESENTATION TYPE:**  
 Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

**SUMMARY:**  
 The Economic Development Committee will interview and may recommend up to five applicants to the full City Council for appointment or reappointment to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board. Below is a list of the applicants:

APPLICANTS	COUNCIL DISTRICT	ELIGIBLE POSITION(S)
Cecilia Bryan	2	District No. 2, Arts, and Community Engagement
Erica Chang	4	Community Engagement, and Public Education
Karen Doten	2	District No. 2, Arts, and Public Education
Nicole Kendrick	2	District No.2, Arts, and Public Education
Faith Selga Brown	1	Community Engagement
Holly Smith	2	District No. 2, Arts, Community Engagement, and Public Education
Kristin Tollefson	1	Arts and Public Education
John Wright	3	Science and Public Education
Mandy Zylstra*	2	District No. 2 and Public Education
Putter Burt (seeking reappointment)	2	District No. 2, Arts, and Community Engagement

\*Providing video-recorded interview

**BACKGROUND:**  
 The Tacoma Creates Advisory Board (Board) advises to the Tacoma Creates Administration on funding programs to support public benefit in arts, culture, heritage, and science programs throughout Tacoma.

**ISSUE:**  
 Positions need to be filled on the Board.

**ALTERNATIVES:**  
 The Board would operate without full membership.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  
 There is no fiscal impact.



**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests that the Economic Development Committee recommend the appointment or reappointment of up to five applicants to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, which will be forwarded to the full City Council on August 13, 2024.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Tacoma Creates Advisory Board Applications  
Current Roster