

City of Tacoma

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COPY: City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT: Resolution – Extending the appointments of the Hilltop Engagement Committee

DATE: May 14, 2018

SUMMARY:

A resolution to extend the terms of specified at-large members and organizations on the Hilltop Engagement Committee through December 31, 2018 in order to allow continued review of key project goals and deliverables in the context of the City's Links to Opportunity Project, Equity and Empowerment Initiative, and Streetscape Design.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards Councilmember Keith Blocker

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

• Encouraging and promoting an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

BACKGROUND:

The Hilltop Engagement Committee (HEC) was established by the City Council, per Resolution No. 39527 which was adopted on August 23, 2016. The purpose of the HEC is to provide an opportunity for residents, organizations, and businesses to share their expertise and give input on project goals and deliverables in the context of the City's Links to Opportunity Project, Equity and Empowerment Initiative, and Streetscape Design.

Based on recommendations from the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, appointments to the HEC were confirmed by the Council on September 27, 2016 (Resolution No. 39544) and October 25, 2016 (Resolution No. 39566). Following these appointments, the composition of the Committee included seven organization representatives as well as eight at-large members.

This group is slated to sunset on June 1, 2018; however, extending the service of available members through December 31, 2018 will allow this Committee to review and provide feedback on the following areas:

- Links to Opportunity workforce development contract (through December 2018);
- Report on barriers to local workforce hires (expected September 2018);
- Links to Opportunity streetscape funding award decision for engineering (late Summer 2018); and
- The Affordable Housing Strategy/Technical Advisory Group work (through Summer 2018).

This resolution would extend the terms of existing at-large HEC members and the representation of organizations who expressed availability and interest through December 31, 2018. In the proposed resolution, the organization representatives may be updated according to the needs and preferences of the organizations to ensure continued participation.

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ISSUE:

Extending the terms of existing at-large HEC members and organizations who expressed availability and interest through December 31, 2018.

ALTERNATIVES:

Allowing the Hilltop Engagement Committee to sunset on June 1, 2018.

RECOMMENDATION:

Extend the terms of all available at-large members as well as organization representatives, as outlined below:

Organization Representatives

- A representative of Bates Technical College
- A representative of Central Neighborhood Council
- A representative of New Tacoma Neighborhood Council
- A representative of Hilltop Action Coalition
- A representative of Tacoma Housing Authority
- A representative of Tacoma Urban League

Existing At-large Members Available through December 31, 2018

- Hally Bert
- Kiara Daniels
- Ann Mumford
- Ashley Lipford
- Lawrence White
- Audra Hudson

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.