



City of Tacoma

Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248
Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 844 1669 0206
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December 19, 2023
10:00 AM

Chair John Hines, Vice Chair Kristina Walker, Joe Bushnell,
Sarah Rumbaugh, Kiara Daniels (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Hines called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Bushnell

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Briefing Items

1. [23-1234](#) Title 6 Amendments - Utility Tax Chapters
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager, Finance]

At approximately 10:02 a.m., Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager, Finance, presented the Title 6 amendments on Solid Waste tax collection including an overview, background, issues, proposed amendments, a possible tiered tax deduction, outreach, and next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the proposed Title 6 amendments.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to recommend the proposed amendments to Chapters 6A.50 and 6A.100 of the Municipal Code relating to the taxability of income received from collecting commercial recyclable materials, to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

Ayes: 3 - Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Bushnell

2. [23-1235](#) Multifamily Property Tax Exemption 2023 Program Review
[Debbie Bingham, Program Manager, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 10:20 a.m., Chair Hines began with opening remarks and explained the Multifamily Property Tax Exemption program. Debbie Bingham, Program Manager, Community and Economic Development, presented the Multifamily Property Tax Exemption 2023 Program review, including Tacoma's program; 2023 highlights, noting tax revenue gained in 2022; included areas; and changes coming, noting proposed residential target areas.

Discussion ensued regarding aging projects becoming more affordable, 70 percent Area Median Income, marketing plan, renters ability to find available affordable housing, 12 year projects, projects for 2024, the upcoming renewal, possibility of moving away from 8 year projects, the need for more housing in Northeast Tacoma, projects converting from 8-year to a 12-year agreement, survey of residents, and the timeline for next steps.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [23-1236](#) January 2, 2024 - Cancelled
January 16, 2024 - Election of Government Performance and Finance Committee Chair & Vice Chair

D'Angelo Baker, Committee Liaison, stated that the next meeting on January 2, 2024, is cancelled; and the January 16, 2024, meeting will have the election of the Committee Chair and Vice Chair, and discussion of upcoming meetings.

Chair Hines provided insight into what topics may be on the calendar for 2024.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

John Hines, Chair

Kimberly Kerby, City Clerk's Office