



# City of Tacoma Economic Development Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

October 11, 2016

10:00 AM

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Chair Marty Campbell, Ryan Mello,  
Marilyn Strickland, Robert Thoms, Conor McCarthy (alternate)

## Call To Order

Chair Campbell called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Present:** 3 - Campbell, Strickland and Thoms

**Absent:** 1 - Mello

## Approval of Minutes

1. [16-0961](#) Approval of the minutes of September 27, 2016

**MOTION: Mayor Strickland moved to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2016 meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Campbell, Strickland and Thoms

**Absent:** 1 - Mello

Chair Campbell changed the ordered and stated the third item on the agenda will be heard first.

## Briefing Items

3. [16-0963](#) Multifamily Property Tax Exemption Update [Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 10:02 a.m., Debbie Bingham, Community and Economic Development (CED), provided an overview of the multifamily property tax exemption and data analysis, including background information, program data

for completed and upcoming projects, and concluded by discussing trends.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding area median income, property, taxes, 8-year and 12-year exemptions, affordable housing, differences between the approved projects, pending Tacoma Mall projects, parking in the Proctor District, trends, the Residential Parking Program, paid street parking, tax breaks for developers, policies, incentives, and programs used by other cities.

2. [16-0962](#) Special Event Program Update [Kala Dralle, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 10:31 p.m., Kala Dralle, CED, provided an overview of the Special Events Program, including program priorities, measures related to special events, program development, challenges, solutions, large events, the City Events and Recognitions Committee, film production, and next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding costs for filming in Tacoma, the Polar Plaza, contracts, annual costs, and film productions.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [16-0964](#) October 25, 2016 - Proglis Site Update; City of Tacoma Business Survey Results; Downtown Commercial Office Incentives

Brad Forbes, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be held on October 25, 2016, and topics will include a prologis site update, City of Tacoma business survey results and Downtown commercial office incentives.

## Other Items of Interest

Mayor Strickland provided information on the Tacoma Means Business website.

## Public Comment

There was no public comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

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Marty Campbell, Chair

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Jennifer Beauchamp, City Clerk's Office