



TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager

FROM: Doris Sorum, City Clerk

COPY: Community Vitality and Safety Committee Members

SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of applicants to the Citizen Police Advisory Committee – December 14, 2017

DATE: December 7, 2017

SUMMARY:

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee will review and recommend up to four individuals to the full City Council for appointment to the Citizen Police Advisory Committee. Below is a list of the applicants:

APPLICANTS	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Krystle Edwards	3
Tara Newton	2
Alex Strautman	2
Dana Coggon	3

BACKGROUND:

The City Council approved Ordinance No. 28310 on August 4, 2015, an Ordinance relating to the City's Administrative Code; amending Section 1.06.075 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, "Police Department Citizen-Initiated Complaint Oversight" to change the name of the Citizen Review Panel to Citizen Police Advisory Committee; increase the number of members from seven to eleven, consisting of one member from each Council District, five members from the general community and one designated youth seat for a one-year term, with a minimum of 40 percent of the members from traditionally underrepresented communities or groups; and revise the duties of the committee.

The Citizen Police Advisory Committee is a policy-focused board that will help to ensure transparency and accountability in the way that the City of Tacoma Police Department operates. The Committee is responsible for reviewing police policy at the request of the City Council or City Manager; receiving and reviewing policy complaints by members of the public; and providing advice to the City Council, the City Manager, and the Chief of Police on Police policy matters. The Committee also provides community outreach and education through public hearings and panel efforts.

ISSUE:

Six members need to be appointed to fill one At-Large No. 1 position, one member from Council District Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5, and one youth position.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Commission will continue to operate without full membership.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.



RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests that the Community Vitality and Safety Committee recommend the appointment of four members to the Citizen Police Advisory Committee, which would be forwarded to the full City Council on January 9, 2018.

ATTACHMENTS:

Citizen Police Advisory Committee applications
Current Roster