

City of Tacoma

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COPY: Government Performance and Finance Committee

SUBJECT: Resolution – Appointing For and Against Committee Members for

Proposition No. 1 concerning Tacoma Creates – July 24, 2018

DATE: July 18, 2018

SUMMARY:

A resolution appointing individuals to committees that will prepare statements "for" and "against" Proposition No. 1, concerning Tacoma Creates to support arts, culture, science, and heritage programs, which will appear in the Voters' Pamphlet for the November 6, 2018, General Election.

Below is a list of the recommended individuals:

Applicants	Committee
Bill Baarsma	"For"
Priscilla Lisicich	"For"
Harold Moss	"For"

Applicants	Committee
Casey Cowles	"Against"
Morf Morford	"Against"
Karen Rich	"Against"

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Deputy Mayor Ibsen and Council Members Blocker, Hunter, and Mello.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

This item best aligns with the strategic priority policy to encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents, by appointing citizens to draft statements relative to a current issue that will impact the future of the city.

BACKGROUND:

On June 26, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 40046 transmitting a ballot measure to the Pierce County Auditor to be placed on the ballot for the General Election on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Per RCW 29A.32.280, for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than forty-five days before the publication of the pamphlet, formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' approval of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the measure.

On July 17, 2018, the Government Performance and Finance Committee considered letters of interest and recommended individuals to the "For" and "Against" Committees.



On July 19, 2018, the Government Performance and Finance Committee held a special meeting and considered letters of interest and recommended additional individuals to the "Against" Committee.

ISSUE:

Individuals need to be appointed to serve on "For" and "Against" Committees and submitted to the Pierce County Auditor by August 7, 2018.

ALTERNATIVES:

If the City fails to appoint at least one individual to the "For" and "Against" Committees and transmit such names to the Pierce County Auditor by August 7, 2018, the Auditor's Office will seek out and, whenever possible, appoint up to three members to each Committee to be appointed in the order that requests for qualified applicants are received.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Government Performance and Finance Committee is recommending the appointment of the individuals listed above to serve on "For" and "Against" Committees.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.