



## Title 6 Amendments

City of Tacoma | Finance

**Government Performance Finance Committee**  
**June 4, 2019**



### OVERVIEW



- Title 6 – Tax & License Code Amendments
  - Chapter 6B.210 Sign Erector License - Repeal
  - Chapter 6B.70/80 – Entertainment Licenses
  - Other language clean up

## BACKGROUND



- Comprehensive review of Title 6 in October of 2018
  - Clean up of language
  - Repeal of regulatory licenses
- Additional clean-up items were identified

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## ISSUES



- Current process for Sign Erector Business
  - Tax & License
    - Apply for a Sign Erector license with \$150 fee, renew annually
    - Submit proof of a Certificate of Liability Insurance (CLI)
  - Planning & Development Services
    - Apply for sign permit and remit applicable fee
    - Staff verifies with Tax & License that CLI is valid
- Small Business Phased Tax Credit
  - Language is not clear it applies to all businesses
- Temporary Entertainment License
  - Clarifying language needed for consistent application

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## PROPOSED REVISIONS



- Repeal Sign Erectors License
  - Streamlines process for businesses
  - Eliminates annual sign erector license fee of \$150
  - Certificate of Insurance submitted directly to PDS
- Amend Small Business Tax Credit
  - Change "location" to "engaging in business"
- Clarify Temporary Entertainment Event requirements
  - Create new temporary event section
  - Clarify that a Written Safety Plan may be required for temporary events

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## OUTREACH



- Coordination with Planning & Development Services
- Notification to Sign Erectors – May 2019
- Outreach and Education to Entertainment Venues

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## NEXT STEPS



- City Council Consideration – June 25, 2019
- Ordinance Effective Date – July 15, 2019
- Additional Education & Outreach – July 2019

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## RECOMMENDATIONS



- Staff recommends the Title 6 amendments

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