



# City of Tacoma Community Vitality and Safety Committee Minutes

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**November 23, 2020**

**3:30 PM**

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Chair Keith Blocker, Vice Chair Catherine Ushka,  
Chris Beale, John Hines, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

## SPECIAL MEETING

### Call To Order

Chair Blocker called the special meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

### Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Beale, Blocker and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Hines

Council Member Hines arrived at 4:34 p.m.

All Council Members participated virtually.

### Briefing Items

1. [20-0906](#) Interviews for the Core Coordinating Team  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 3:35 p.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, provided background regarding the Core Coordinating Team (CCT), stating that 15 applicants were interviewed at the Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2020; April Gipson and Lawrence Coleman were unable to attend those interviews but were rescheduled to interview today; and Reverend Kendall Hayes and Sandra Calvillo withdrew their applications. She informed the Committee they will be interviewing 18 applicants for the CCT.

The Committee interviewed Amin (Tony) Hester, Anaid Yarena, Helen Stieben, Leslie Mintaraga, Priya Saxena, Ronnie Gordon, Lawrence Coleman, and Suzanne Pak.

Council Member Hines arrived here, at 4:34 p.m.

The Committee interviewed Vanna Sing.

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting recessed at 4:46 p.m.

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting reconvened at 5:02 p.m.

The Committee further interviewed Vhonda McElroy and Troy Christensen.

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting experienced technical difficulties and recessed at 5:15 p.m.

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting reconvened at 5:21 p.m.

The Committee further interviewed Anna Nepomuceno, Kayla Davis, Ronald Culpepper, Aimee Champion, and Malcolm Clay.

Ms. Sorum stated that April Gipson withdrew her application.

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting recessed at 6:03 p.m.

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee meeting reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

The Committee further interviewed Coretta Harwood.

Discussion ensued regarding the applicant selection process, applicants' qualifications, and the CCT's requirements.

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend Marquis King Mason, Fahren Johnson, Annalycia Matthews, Anaid Yarena, Ronnie Gordon, Vhonda McElroy, Anna Nepomuceno, Kayla Davis, Keysha-Rae Cooper, Bruce Kadden, Marcia Tate Arunga, Vanna Sing, Salvador Muniga, Lawrence Coleman, and Priya Saxena to the Core Coordinating Team; and Chris Tubig as an alternate to the Core Coordinating Team.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Hines.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Blocker and Hines

**Absent:** 1 - Ushka

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

2.     [20-0907](#)     November 26, 2020 - Cancelled  
December 10, 2020 - Interviews for the Community's Police Advisory Committee  
December 24, 2020 - Cancelled

Bucoda Warren, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on December 10, 2020, and will include interviews for the Community's Police Advisory Committee.

## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the special meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.



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Keith Blocker, Chair



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Mary Crabtree, City Clerk's Office