

WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

April 1, 2021

Members of the City Council City of Tacoma, Washington

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- 1. City Manager Elizabeth Pauli provides the attached approved **Purchase Contract Awards for the week of March 29, 2021**.
- 2. The City Manager's Office provides the attached March 2021 Neighborhood Liaison Report.
- 3. Planning and Development Services (PDS) Director Peter Huffman provides the attached Landmarks Preservation Commission's findings and recommendations to designate 201 N Yakima as a historic landmark.
- 4. CED Round II CDBG CARES ACT Resiliency Grants: On April 9, the application period will open for round two of \$10,000 Resiliency Grants for micro businesses of five or fewer employees, including the owner(s). The total amount to be awarded is \$540,000. These grants, which will be widely publicized including on MakeitTacoma.com, are designed to help offset the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic and cover business expenses for payroll, inventory, mortgage/rent, or utilities not covered by other COVID-19 funding sources. These CDBG-funded grants require that the majority owner(s) have a household income that does not exceed 80% of the area median income. Staff will partner with community-based organizations to target outreach in low and very-low economic opportunity areas. The application period closes on April 23 with recipients being selected via lottery and notified on May 11.
- 5. <u>City-funded Temporary and Emergency Shelter Performance:</u> The City is now posting weekly information about its Temporary and Emergency Shelter locations including current census, number of available beds and exits to housing. This information and is updated weekly and can be found at https://www.cityoftacoma.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server-6/File/cms/NCS/City%20Authorized%20Emergency%20Shelter%20Sites/data-COTShelters-2021-03-22.pdf.
- 6. Warming Center at the Salvation Army: The City has been funding a temporary warming center at the Salvation Army building located at 1110 S. Puget Sound since January 28, 2021. This location serves single men with a capacity of 30 (with several available overflow beds) and has been serving an average of 29 individuals daily. This location is expected to operate until April 30, 2021.

- 7. <u>Senior Meal Delivery:</u> Access to healthy meals is important to our senior population and the City has adjusted contracted services during the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure seniors can still access food while senior centers are not operating. The City's contracted partner ensured pickup and delivery of 364 meals for the week of 3/22 3/26/21.
- 8. Rental Assistance Update: The rental assistance portal is now open! Residents may find more information at https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7142/Rental-Assistance. The program provides up to 12 months of assistance dating back to March 2020 and serves households up to 80% of Pierce County Area Median Income. Applicants may also qualify for utility assistance through the program. The City's remains committed to reducing racial disparities in our service delivery and for this reason has a goal of providing at least 45% of the assistance to households headed by persons of color.
 - In 2020, 78% of the households served by our emergency rental assistance program were households with the head of household identifying as a person of color. When the program begins dispersals, staff will provide Council regular updates on program performance. The City's Rental Assistance Fund at the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation has received 26 gifts totaling \$29,320.
- 9. Hygiene Station Pilot at 8th and Yakima: The City opened a hygiene station at 8th and Yakima on private property on March 5th. The pilot project provides restrooms, handwashing stations and overnight security. As reported at Study Session on March 30th, the location has seen no increase in tents and a decrease in calls to 311 but has experienced an increase in calls to 911 primarily for welfare checks. Staff will be returning to Council Study Session with a discussion on expansion of the pilot project on April 6th.
- 10. Police Chief Michael Ake provides the attached **Weekly Crime Report**.
- 11. Please see the attached City of Tacoma Weekly Meeting Schedule.

STUDY SESSION/WORK SESSION

12. The City Council Study Session of Tuesday, April 6, 2021, will be conducted through Zoom conference. The public can watch the meeting at: tvtacoma.com. Discussion items will include: (1) Review of Library Board Strategic Goal Alignment; (2) Historic Designation of 201 N Yakima; (3) Recommendations for Expansion of Hygiene Stations at Existing Encampments; (4) Other items of Interest - Council Consideration Request: An Ordinance Amending the State of Emergency Related to Homelessness and Committing to Participation in the Citywide Efforts to End Homelessness (5) Other items of Interest - A resolution directing the City Manager to allocate \$25,000 from the City Council Contingency Fund in order to hire a facilitator to convene workgroups to determine best practices for funding gun violence prevention efforts, and hire a research team to review best practices to address gun and youth violence reduction; (6) Committee Reports; (7) Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report.

On our first agenda item, Library staff will **review Library Board Strategic goal alignment** and provide departmental updates.

On our second agenda item, Staff will provide the Council background on the Landmarks Preservation Commission's recommendations to Council regarding the designation of 201 N Yakima to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, including an overview of the Commission's deliberations and discussion at the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee on February 10, 2021. A resolution is scheduled for Council on April 13, 2021.

On the last agenda item, Staff will discuss recommendations for expansion of hygiene stations at existing encampments.

Under Other Items of Interest, Mayor Victoria Woodards will share the **attached Council Consideration Request**:

An Ordinance Amending the State of Emergency Related to Homelessness
and Committing to Participation in the Citywide Efforts to End
Homelessness- Affirm the Mayor and City Council's support of Pierce County and
the Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness in their commitment to
protect public health and safety by providing everyone experiencing homelessness a
safe and secure space to sleep with resources to address their health and sanitation
needs by November 2021, allowing sidewalks, parks, and right of ways to be
available for those purposes they were designed to serve.

Under Other Items of Interest, Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker and Council Member Catherine Ushka will share the **attached Council Action Memorandum**:

- **Gun Violence Prevention** A request to direct the City Manager to allocate \$25,000 from the City Council Contingency Fund in order to hire a facilitator to convene workgroups to determine best practices for funding gun violence prevention efforts and hire a research team to review best practices to address gun and youth violence reduction.
- 13. The updated **Tentative City Council Forecast and Consolidated Standing Committee Calendars** are attached for your information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

14. There are no new events at this time.

Sincerely,

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Purchase Contract Awards

For Weekly Report to the City Manager

Week of March 29, 2021

Specification	Description	Awardee	Amount
Sourcewell	Purchase of four (4) Peterbilt	Dobbs Peterbilt	\$1,673,735.28, plus applicable taxes
Contract	520 Compressed Natural Gas		
060920-PMC	(CNG)		
	chassis with G&H Scorpion 29		
	yard Automated Side-Loader		
	(ASL) garbage truck bodies		
ES20-0003F	Replace aging surface water,	Northwest Cascade, Inc.	Not to exceed \$2,458,006.00, plus a
	wastewater, and water		15 percent contingency, for a
	distribution pipes in addition		project contract total of
	to roadway, curb ramp, and		\$2,826,706.90, plus any applicable
	street tree improvements in		taxes
	South Cushman Avenue from		
	South 21st to South 28th		
	Streets		



COPY:

City of Tacoma

City Manager Action Memorandum

TO: Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager

FROM: Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Environmental Services Director

Lewis T. Griffith, P.E., Division Manager, Solid Waste Management City Manager, City Council, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and

Seth Hartz, Finance/Purchasing

SUBJECT: Purchase of Four Compressed Natural Gas Automated Side-Loader Garbage

Trucks - Sourcewell Contract 060920-PMC

DATE: 3/19/2021

Pursuant to the City of Tacoma March 12, 2020, state of emergency proclamation in response to COVID-19, made in accordance with Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 1.10., contract awards for purchases must be approved by the City Manager or designee.

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Environmental Services Department recommends a contract be awarded to Dobbs Peterbilt, Seattle, WA, in the amount of \$1,673,735.28, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, for the purchase of four (4) Peterbilt 520 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) chassis with G&H Scorpion 29 yard Automated Side-Loader (ASL) garbage truck bodies, to be used for the collection of solid waste. This includes a 10% contingency to allow for modifications as the vehicles are being built.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

The proposed CNG ASL garbage trucks emit less carbon and fewer greenhouse gasses than their diesel equivalents, which helps protect the environment and will make our City cleaner and healthier. They will also be used for the collection of solid waste, a service valued and needed by all residents of Tacoma.

BACKGROUND:

ISSUE: The proposed CNG ASL garbage trucks will replace four diesel ASL trucks that have exceeded their 10-year life cycle and are significantly worn and no longer cost effective to maintain and keep in service. The selected vehicles will be fueled by CNG, will produce less carbon emissions, and provide significant fuel savings. The CNG ASL trucks will be used to collect solid waste from residential customers. Solid Waste Management (SWM) has also applied for grant money through the EPA's Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) in the amount of \$542,684.

ALTERNATIVES: The alternative to purchasing four CNG ASL trucks would be to purchase diesel ASL trucks. The traditional diesel trucks are less expensive, however, fuel costs, maintenance costs, and carbon emissions are substantially higher than the CNG ASL trucks. DERA grant money would also not be available for new diesel trucks.



COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Sourcewell Contract 060920-PMC is a competitively solicited contract and includes the CNG ASL trucks. The current contract term is valid through August 1, 2024, with a final end date of August 1, 2025. Through an interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement, the City of Tacoma will purchase the vehicles at the prices, terms, and conditions of the Sourcewell contract. The ability to participate in cooperative purchasing through the Sourcewell contract provides the City increased savings by pooling resources to leverage the market through volume discounts.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: The selected vehicles will be fueled by CNG and will produce less carbon and have lower emissions than the diesel alternatives.

EIC/LEAP COMPLIANCE: Not applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Solid Waste Fund 4200	ENV-00116-02-01	Various	\$1,673,735.28
TOTAL			Up to \$1,673,735.28

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Solid Waste Fund 4200	512000	Various	\$1,673,735.28
TOTAL			\$1,673,735.28

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$1,673,735.28

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager (or designee)

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City Manager Action Memorandum

TO: Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager

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FROM: Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Environmental Services Director

John Burk, P.E., Division Manager, Science and Engineering

Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer

Shannon Wall, P.E., Division Manager, Tacoma Water Planning and Engineering

COPY: City Manager, City Council, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator,

Kristy Beardemphl, P.E., Olivia Mathison, Project Manager, Ali Polda, P.E., Troy Saghafi, P.E., Erik Sloan, Pavement Manager, and Doreen Klaaskate,

Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing

SUBJECT: Stormwater, Wastewater, and Water Main Replacement Project - South

Cushman Avenue from South 21st to South 28th Streets

Request for Bids Specification No. ES20-0003F

DATE: March 19, 2021

Pursuant to the City of Tacoma March 12, 2020, state of emergency proclamation in response to COVID-19, made in accordance with Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 1.10., contract awards for purchases must be approved by the City Manager or designee.

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Environmental Services Department recommends a contract be awarded to Northwest Cascade, Inc., Puyallup, WA, in an amount not to exceed \$2,458,006.00, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a project contract total of \$2,826,706.90, plus any applicable taxes, budgeted from various departmental funds, to replace aging surface water, wastewater, and water distribution pipes in addition to roadway, curb ramp, and street tree improvements in South Cushman Avenue from South 21st to South 28th Streets.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

This project will replace aging surface water, wastewater, and water distribution pipes. Roadways impacted by the proposed underground utility replacement work will be restored to existing or better condition. This work supports a safe city with healthy residents, and assures outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment of these neighborhoods.

BACKGROUND:

This project will replace approximately 2,160 linear feet of wastewater main, construct 709 linear feet of new surface water pipe, and replace approximately 2,090 linear feet of water main. In partnership with the Public Works Department and Tacoma Water, this project will also include street restoration, curb ramp installation, and street tree improvements. The work will occur in South Cushman Avenue from South 21st to South 28th Streets.

ISSUE: The underground surface water, wastewater, and water mains in these various locations are reaching the end of their design life and are at risk of failure.



ALTERNATIVES: Taking no action would put the City at risk of future pipe failures, which may result in untreated wastewater overflowing into the Puget Sound and/or uncontrolled discharge of surface water that can result in flooding. Pipe rehabilitation was also considered, but the mains are not in adequate condition to do so.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Bids Specification No. ES20-0003F was opened February 9, 2021. The project was advertised in normal publications. Nine submittals were received.

Northwest Cascade, Inc. submitted a bid that resulted in the lowest evaluated submittal after consideration of Equity in Contracting (EIC) participation goals. The table below reflects the amount of the base award.

Respondent	<u>Location</u>	Submittal Amount
	(city and state)	
Northwest Cascade, Inc.	Puyallup, WA	\$2,458,006.00
Reed Trucking & Excavating, Inc.	Puyallup, WA	\$2,478,357.75
Pivetta Brothers Construction, Inc.	Sumner, WA	\$2,533,286.18
R.L. Alia Company	Renton, WA	\$2,549,126.30
Pacific Civil & Infrastructure, Inc.	Sumner, WA	\$2,578,660.41
Rodarte Construction, Inc.	Auburn, WA	\$2,640,119.65
Miles Resources, LLC	Puyallup, WA	\$2,648,570.60
Pape & Sons Construction, Inc.	Gig Harbor, WA	\$2,692,783.90
Ceccanti, Inc.	Tacoma, WA	\$3,337,351.15

Pre-bid Estimate: \$2,695,361.00

The recommended award is 8.8 percent below the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: Replacement of these pipes will reduce the risk of failure, thereby reducing the potential for discharge of untreated wastewater into the Puget Sound and uncontrolled discharge of surface water that can result in flooding, resulting in a positive environmental impact.

EIC/LEAP COMPLIANCE: The recommended contractor is in compliance with the EIC Regulation requirements per memorandum dated February 11, 2021. The EIC requirements for this project are 1 percent for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), 4 percent for Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) and 7 percent for Small Business Enterprise (SBE). The EIC utilization levels of the recommended contractor, Northwest Cascade, Inc., are approximately 5 percent for MBE, 5 percent for WBE, and 7 percent for SBE. The Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program (LEAP) requirements are 15 percent.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4300 ES Wastewater Fund	ENV-04023-05-04	5330100	\$1,060,197.12
4301 ES Surface Water Fund	ENV-03031-03-04	5330100	\$258,909.10
1085 PW Streets Initiative Fund	PWK-00438-31-03	5330100	\$721,755.08
4600 Tacoma Water Fund	WTR-00604-01-06	5330100	\$785,845.60
TOTAL			Up to \$2,826,706.90

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4300 ES Wastewater Fund	523900	Rate Revenues	\$1,060,197.12
4301 ES Surface Water Fund	521900	Rate Revenues	\$258,909.10
Streets Initiative Revenues	663020	Revenues	\$721,755.08
4600 Tacoma Water Fund	581200	Rate Revenues	\$785,845.60
TOTAL			\$2,826,706.90

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$2,826,706.90, plus any applicable taxes.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes.

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A

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Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager (or designee)

Revised: 01/20/2021



City of Tacoma Memorandum

TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager

FROM: Ted Richardson, Management Fellow

COPY: City Council; City Clerk; Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services

DATE: March 31, 2021

SUBJECT: March 2021 Neighborhood Council Liaison Report

SUMMARY:

The purpose of this memo is to provide a summary of topics and concerns discussed at the eight neighborhood councils and the Community Council of Tacoma during the month of March 2021. These items have been identified by the City Manager's Office liaison to each council as important or useful to bring to the City Council and City Manager's attention.

Several organizations are going to each council as able to. They include Planning and Development to talk about Home in Tacoma and the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities.

Questions regarding the Neighborhood Councils can be directed to the Program Coordinator at NeighborhoodCouncils@cityoftacoma.org.

TOPICS and CONCERNS:

Central Tacoma Neighborhood Council: Residents heard a presentation on Home in Tacoma and expressed concerns about people being displaced.

Community Council of Tacoma: Discussion centered on issues of homelessness in neighborhoods and business districts and the timeline and large scope of the Home in Tacoma Project.

East Tacoma Neighborhood Council: The NC is concerned about blight and graffiti and Gault Middle School and the impending sale. They were reminded this is under the jurisdiction of TPS, but to call 911 if they see any crime.

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council: The NC is worried they won't have enough time to comment on Home in Tacoma. They expressed general support for NCS homelessness alleviation and trash pickup efforts in downtown.

Northeast Tacoma Neighborhood Council: The NC expressed concern that City events and presentations are sometimes scheduled during their monthly meetings. This month both a Home in Tacoma and a Tideflats meeting were scheduled at the same time as their meeting. They expressed concerns that Home in Tacoma is moving too quickly and that residents haven't had enough time to provide input.

North End Neighborhood Council: The NC heard a presentation by Chief Ake on speed racing, speed cameras, community relations and had questions about speeding and traffic control.

South End Neighborhood Council: Residents want to closely track the development at 232 S. 70th st. after what happened at the Grand Pacific. Several people expressed concern that people in wheelchairs don't have enough time to safely get across crosswalks.

South Tacoma Neighborhood Council: The Sutter Metals Metal Recycling Facility is creating a great deal of concern in the neighborhood. There has been a noticeable uptick in the theft of metals from neighbors and businesses,



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and there have been an increasing number of vehicles with unsecured or poorly secured loads heading to the facility, causing speeding and debris safety concerns.

West End Neighborhood Council: The NC heard a report about watershed protection and expressed concern that trash and dog waste is running into the Tacoma water systems. They also heard a presentation from PDS and THA on the James Center North development. Concern was expressed that American Rescue Plan money will not be distributed equitably to those who most need help right now.



City of Tacoma Memorandum

TO: Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager

FROM: Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer, Planning and Development Services

Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services

SUBJECT: Adding 201 North Yakima Avenue to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places

DATE: March 29, 2021

OVERVIEW:

At the April 6, 2021 study session, Planning and Development Services staff will present the recommendations of the Landmarks Preservation Commission (Commission) to place the Walhgren's Florist Shop located at 201 North Yakima Avenue on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places. Staff will also provide background on the discussions regarding this property over the past year.

The objective of this briefing is to familiarize the City Council with the subject property and related discussions ahead of the City Council meeting when this item will be presented. The resolution to add this building to the historic register is scheduled for the City Council meeting on April 13, 2021.

BACKGROUND:

On October 14, 2020, the Commission found that the florist shop located at 201 North Yakima Avenue met the eligibility criteria for historic designation and voted to recommend it be listed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places. In making this recommendation, the Commission found the florist shop is a rare surviving connection with the cut flower industry in Tacoma and the south Puget Sound, which was one of the largest flower industries in the United States. This satisfies Criterion A for inclusion in the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, which is: [the property] is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history. The Commission also found that the building meets Criterion F, which reads: Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, [the property] represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or City. The Commission concluded that the building is clearly an established and familiar feature of the neighborhood, having been sited on the corner of 2nd and Yakima Avenue since 1949.

This recommendation by the Landmarks Preservation Commission comes in response to a nomination for the building and the neighboring house that was submitted by Historic Tacoma on May 27, 2020. On September 23, 2020, the Commission conducted a public hearing to receive comments related to the proposed nomination.

The property owner opposes this action and plans to build a multifamily building on the site, which is zoned NCX (Neighborhood Commercial Mixed-Use) and located within the Downtown Regional Growth Center. The site is also within the boundaries of the Stadium Seminary National Register District, established in 1977.

PRIOR ACTIONS:

Prior to the submittal of the nomination, the structures at 201-205 North Yakima Avenue were under review by the Landmarks Preservation Commission as part of the demolition permit review process, which requires historic review for buildings proposed for demolition in any National Register Historic Districts. The Commission received a Historic Property Assessment report from the owner in April 2020 that concluded neither property appeared to be eligible for the Tacoma Register of Historic Places. Staff concurred with this assessment, but the Commission concluded that both properties should be further considered for historic designation. That recommendation, which requires concurrence from the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee (IPS), was pending at the time the nomination was submitted.

On January 13, 2021, the recommendation of the Commission for designation to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places was presented to the IPS Committee. During that discussion, the question was raised whether a compromise design solution was possible, which would allow the development on the site to be constructed while preserving the florist shop. The potential of such a compromise has not been reviewed or discussed by the Commission. The IPS Committee voted to recommend the designation to the full City Council.

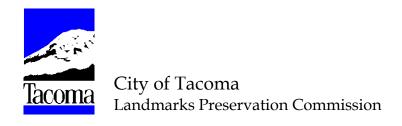
PROJECT INFORMATION:

Brian Boudet, Planning Manager, bboudet@cityoftacoma.org, (253) 573-2389

Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer, reuben.mcknight@cityoftacoma.org, 253-591-5220

ATTACHMENTS:

Landmarks Preservation Commission Findings and Recommendation Historic Nomination Form Historic Property Assessment Report



FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

NOMINATION OF THE PROPERTIES AT 201 AND 205 N YAKIMA TO THE TACOMA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

OCTOBER 14, 2020

BACKGROUND

The Wahlgren house, at 205 N. Yakima Avenue, was built before 1902 and the Wahlgren Florist Shop, at 201 N. Yakima Avenue, was built in 1949. The house and shop are within the boundaries of the 1977 Stadium-Seminary Washington Heritage and National Register Historic Districts. Both of these structures have been nominated to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places by Historic Tacoma. The owner opposes this nomination.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS

On April 22, 2020, the Landmarks Preservation Commission reviewed a historic property assessment report prepared on behalf of the ownership as required by TMC 13.12.570.B for demolition of structures located within a National Register Historic District. Both buildings are planned for removal to make way for new development.

The Historic Property Assessment report determined that the properties did not appear to meet the criteria for designation, an assessment with which staff concurred. The Commission disagreed with the assessment report recommendations and found that the properties should be formally considered for inclusion on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places based upon its association with the flower industry in Tacoma and the Wahlgren family. Due to COVID-19, the recommendation is has been pending review at the City Council Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee.

On May 27, 2020, Historic Tacoma submitted an independent nomination for both properties to the Historic Preservation Office. Upon request of the owner, a 30-day review period was granted. On August 12, 2020 the Commission conducted a preliminary review of the nomination and voted to schedule it for a public hearing on September 9. Following the hearing, the Commission reviewed testimony and comments at its September 23 meeting.

FINDINGS

- 1. On May 27, 2020, Historic Tacoma, an independent non-profit historic preservation advocacy group, submitted a nomination for 201 and 205 N Yakima Avenue (Wahlgren's Florists and Wahlgren residence, respectively) to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.
- 2. Nomination of properties to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places listing follows procedures defined in 13.07.050.
- Any person may submit a nomination of a property to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places so long as evidence is provided in the nomination that the owners of the subject property have been contacted prior to submittal by the nominator. A letter to A&A Property Holdings LLC met this requirement.

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- 4. On June 18, the Historic Preservation Officer determined that the nomination was complete and notified Historic Tacoma and the property owner, A&A Property Holdings LLC. At that time, the owner requested an additional 30 days to review and respond to the nomination as provided by the municipal code, which was granted and the nomination was scheduled for its first review (Preliminary Review) on August 12, 2020.
- 5. On August 12, 2020, the Landmarks Preservation Commission reviewed the nomination and concluded that the buildings did appear to meet the threshold criteria in the municipal code for age and integrity, and appeared to meet the nomination criteria A, B, C and F (discussed below). The Commission voted to schedule the nomination for a Public Hearing on September 9, 2020.
- 6. The hearing was conducted via virtual webinar on September 9, 2020. Notice was sent to adjacent property owners within a 400' radius 14 days prior to the meeting and published in the News Tribune on September 2, as well as posted to the Landmarks Commission agenda website and distributed by email.
- 7. Following the public hearing, the Commission reviewed testimony and discussion on September 23 and directed staff to prepare findings for review and action at the Commission meeting of October 14.
- 8. The building at 201 N Yakima was built in 1949 on its current site as a florist's shop. The building is a one story flat-roofed commercial building with large projecting canopy and a steel pipe column structural system supporting the front elevation, large glass display windows, Roman brick planter boxes below the windows, recessed lighting under the canopy, and originally, a Vitrolite glass parapet with a projecting neon sign that contained the name of the business. Several alterations have occurred over the years, including a 1951 addition to the rear of the property, two window replacements on the addition, loss of the original business sign and the removal or covering of the Vitrolite glass panels on the parapet with a corrugated metal sheathing.
- 9. The residence at 205 N Yakima was constructed in 1902 and converted to a multifamily residence sometime prior to the 1930s; this conversion resulted in the infill of a first floor alcove porch and the addition of a pent roof, installation of two separate entrances. The other principle changes to the building include an enclosed porch on the north elevation and a storage shed on the northeast corner of the building. The building was included in the 1977 inventory of the Stadium Seminary National Register Historic District as a "secondary" structure. Buildings within the district were categorized at the time as "Pivotal," "Primary," "Secondary" or "Intrusive."
- 10. The nomination submitted to the Commission cited several criteria for historic significance in the Tacoma Municipal Code.
 - (i) Criterion A for the buildings' association with the major flower and bulb growing industry in and around Tacoma from the 1920s to the 1960s.
 - (ii) Criterion B for the buildings' association with the lives of persons and communities significant to Tacoma's past. According to the nomination, the house is associated with Harry Nash, a Washington Territory pioneer who established a thriving Tacoma butcher and meat market business. It is also associated as the residence and business site of Swedish immigrant Fred P. Wahlgren, his wife Dora, and their children Lillian M. and Fred G., who all operated a successful florist business at the site for some 68 years.

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- (iii) Criterion C for embodying for embodying the distinctive characteristics of a type and period. The florist shop at 201 N. Yakima Avenue was nominated as an example of Modernist-style commercial architecture. The house at 205 N. Yakima Avenue has undergone some alterations since its initial construction; it was nominated as an example of the Free Classic variant of the Queen Anne-style found in modest, early 20th Century residences.
- (iv) Criterion F. Wahlgren's Florist shop at 210 N. Yakima has been a prominent feature of the corner of N. Yakima Avenue and N. 2nd Street since its construction in 1949.
- 11. During the preliminary nomination review, the owner was represented by Ellen Mirro, a professionally qualified architectural historian. Ms. Mirro stated that the owner did not support the nomination and that while the owners recognized the significance of the Wahlgren family and the florist business associated with the buildings, they did not believe it was sufficient to meet the threshold criteria for nomination. Ms. Mirro also indicated that Fred Wahlgren did not consider the properties part of his family's legacy, and presented a letter from him stating his intention in the decision to sell them. Further, she argued that the buildings had been altered, which in turn affected the ability of the building to convey their period as well as original designs.
- 12. At the preliminary nomination review, the Commission found that the properties appeared to meet the threshold criteria for age and integrity, and appeared to meet several of the designation criteria, and voted to schedule the nomination for a public hearing to receive public comment.
- 13. The hearing was conducted via virtual webinar on September 9, 2020. Notice was sent to adjacent property owners within a 400' radius 14 days prior to the meeting and published in the News Tribune on September 2.
- 14. A total of 19 email, written and oral comments were received at the hearing. The majority of the comments (15) were in support of the nomination. Specific reasons for support included: the buildings are historically or architecturally significant (9), the commenter is opposed to the proposed development (4), and general support (5). Comments opposing the historic designation (4) included: the original owner does not support (1), current owner intends to provide housing (1), people are opposing the nomination because they do not want apartments (1), the city needs new development (1), and the subject buildings do not meet the historic eligibility criteria (1).
- 15. The first criterion cited in the nomination is Criterion A, which states: *Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.*
- 16. The nomination states that the florist shop is significant under this criterion for its association with the major flower and bulb growing industry in and around Tacoma from the 1920s through the 1960s. Fred Wahlgren established a floral business at the site in 1934 that continued for 68 years. According to the nomination, the business is also significantly associated with Japanese American Robert T Mizukami and the Fife Gardenville Greenhouses, as well as the annual Daffodil Festival.
- 17. The owner contends that the subject building is not known to be associated in a significant way with an historic event with a significant effect upon the community, city, state, or nation, nor does it convey any historical association with the broad patterns of history, in this case the flower industry in Tacoma and the Japanese American community, through its appearance. The owner stated that the building therefore does not qualify for designation under this criterion.

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- 18. Upon analysis, the Commission believes the florist shop is a rare surviving connection with the cut flower industry in Tacoma and the south Puget Sound. Tacoma was the center of one of the largest flower industries in the United States, but now the local industry is gone. The Commission further feels that the association with the historical narrative of Tacoma's flower industry is intact despite the loss of the vitrolite panels on the parapet, and the business identity sign.
- 19. However, the Commission does not find the association with the Japanese American flower business nor the association with Robert T. Mizukami to be significant as documented in the nomination document.
- 20. The florist shop is also nominated under Criterion B, which states: *Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.*
- 21. The nomination states that 201 N Yakima is eligible for its association with Harry Nash, a Washington Territory Pioneer who established a thriving butcher and meat market business, and with the Wahlgren family and their business.
- 22. Conversely, the owner contends that although the subject buildings are associated with the Wahlgren family and Wahlgren's Floral, the mere longevity of a business and residency is not enough to consider the members of the Wahlgren family to be considered "significant" to the history of the city of Tacoma.
- 23. Upon review of the criteria, the Commission believes that, although the building is associated with the Wahlgren family and their business, that association is diminished due to the loss of the sign on the building. There is no evidence of any association for this building with Harry Nash, nor evidence of the historical importance of Mr. Nash. The Commission therefore finds that the florist's shop does not meet Criterion B.
- 24. The florist shop is nominated under Criterion C, which states: *Embodies the distinctive* characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
- 25. According to the nomination, 201 N Yakima is eligible as an "excellent and rare" example of Modernist style commercial architecture in the Stadium District and exhibits a high quality of design through its enframed window walls, flat roof and parapet and extended awning with original light fixtures and Roman brick planters.
- 26. The owner contends that, although the building is a midcentury commercial building, being a "type" of building does not alone convey significance. Due to alterations, it no longer has the ability to embody or convey its type.
- 27. Upon review of this criterion, the Commission acknowledges that the building is an example of a midcentury building. Although it is "emblematic" of a midcentury commercial building, and does possess some distinctive characteristics of the type, the Commission finds that it is not is not a significant or exceptional example of a midcentury commercial building, and therefore does not meet Criterion C.
- 28. The florist shop is also nominated under Criterion F, which states: Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or City.

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- 29. The nomination contends that 201 N Yakima is eligible as it has been a prominent feature on the corner of N Yakima Avenue and N 2nd Street since 1949, and that this significance is evidenced by its being prominently featured on a mural at Shake Shake, a nearby restaurant.
- 30. The ownership acknowledges that the building does appear on a community mural, but also contends that being a structure on a corner does not alone indicate that a building is significant.
- 31. Upon review of this criterion, the Commission finds that the building does have singular physical characteristics and is clearly an established and familiar feature of the neighborhood, and therefore meets Criterion F.
- 32. The residence at 205 N Yakima is nominated under Criterion A, which is described above.
- 33. The nomination states that the house at 205 N Yakima is significant under Criterion A for its association with the Wahlgren Family, and their floral business, which is also associated with the Japanese American florist and businessperson Robert T Mizukami. The house is also nominated under this criterion as an example of housing for working and lower middle class residents of Tacoma.
- 34. The owner states that the association of this house with the history of the floral industry and with the Mizukami Family business is tenuous, and that it does not appear to meet any of the criteria for significance and designation under the Tacoma Municipal Code.
- 35. Upon review of this criterion, the Commission does not find any significant association with Robert T. Mizukami or the Japanese flower industry. The Commission also finds that, although the home is clearly associated with the Wahlgren family, the association with the business does not appear to be historically significant. Lastly, the home does not appear to be significant as an example of housing for middle/working class people. Therefore, the Commission finds that the residence does not meet Criterion A.
- 36. The residence is also nominated under Criterion B, described above.
- 37. The nomination states that 205 N Yakima is eligible for its association with Harry Nash, a Washington Territory Pioneer who established a thriving butcher and meat market business, and with the Wahlgren family and their business. A brief biography of Mr. Nash is included in the nomination, describing his life and businesses.
- 38. As with the florist shop, the owner contends that the mere longevity of a business and residency is not enough to consider the members of the Wahlgren family to be considered "significant" to the history of the city of Tacoma.
- 39. Upon review of this criterion, the Commission does not find any significance in the association of the house to the Wahlgren family, or with Mr. Nash. Therefore, the Commission finds that the residence does not appear to meet Criterion B.
- 40. The residence is also nominated under Criterion C, which is described above.
- 41. The nomination indicates that 205 N Yakima is eligible as an example of the Free Classic variant of a Queen Anne style residence built in the early 20th century, with elements that include a steeply pitched cross gabled roof, asymmetrical entrance, wood shake siding and projecting bay, and decorative windows.

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- 42. The owner counters that because the house has been altered, it no longer clearly conveys its architectural types or period of construction in a significant way.
- 43. Upon review of this criterion, the Commission finds that it is not a significant example of a Free Classic Queen Anne residence, and therefore does not meet Criterion C.

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

- 1. The Commission finds that the florist shop at 201 N Yakima meets Criterion A, for its association with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns or our history.
- 2. The Commission also finds that the property at 201 N Yakima meets the eligibility criteria for Criterion F, as an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood.
- 3. The Commission finds that the residence at 205 N Yakima does not appear to meet the criteria for inclusion in the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.
- 4. Therefore, the Commission recommends to City Council that Wahlgren's Florist Shop at 201 N Yakima should be listed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places under Criteria A and F.

Landmarks Preservation Commission

Tacoma Community and Economic Development Department



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TACOMA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES **NOMINATION FORM**

This form is required to nominate properties to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places per Tacoma Municipal Code 13.07.050. Type all entries and complete all applicable sections. Contact the Historic Preservation Office with any questions at 253-591-5254.

PART 1: PROPERTY INFORMATION (to	or 'HELP' press the F1 key)				
Property Name					
Historic Wahlgren's Florist shop & Wahlgren'	ahlgren Common 201 & 205 N. Yakima Avenue Name				
Location					
Street Address 201 & 205 North Yakima	Avenue Zip 98403				
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Nominated Elements					
	property that are included in the nomination by checking the lld be described specifically in the narrative section of this form.				
☑ Principal Structure	Site				
	☐ Historic Landscaping, Fencing, Walkways, etc.				
☐ Accessory Buildings/Outbuildings	☐ Interior Spaces/Other (inventory in narrative)				
Owner of Property					
Name A&A PROPERTY HOLDINGS LLC					
Address 1020 S 344TH ST STE 201	City Federal Way State WA Zip 98003				
Is the owner the sponsor of this nomination? If no please provide evidence that the owner has been contacted.					
Owner Signature, if possible:					
Form Preparer					
Name/Title Kathleen Brooker	Company/Organization Historic Tacoma				
Address P.O. Box 7664	City Tacoma State WA Zip 98417				
Phone (206) 619-9115	Email kbrooker1@gmail.com				
Nomination Checklist—Attachments					
	☐ Continuation Sheets				
Site Map (REQUIRED)	☐ Historical Plans				
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PART 2: PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Fortage of Olympia					
Extent of Changes Please summarize the changes that have been made a significant elements by selecting the choices below. If Washington State Historic Property Inventory Form. The form.	the propert	y has bee	n previously documented, these ma	y be indicate	d on the
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Plan (i.e.: no additions to footprint , relocation of walls, or roof plan)	Yes ⊠	No 🗌	Interior (woodwork, finishes, flooring, fixtures)	Yes 🗌	No 🗆
Original cladding/exterior materials	Yes ⊠	No 🗌	Other elements	Yes 🗌	No 🗌
Windows (no replacement windows or replacement sashes)	Yes 🛚	No 🗆			
Describe in detail the original (if known) and present <u>pl</u> (context, location), exterior (all four walls), and interior. sheets if necessary). See Appendix I	. Please inc	lude a list	of known alterations and their dates	s (use additio	nal

Narrative Continuation

PART 3: HISTORICAL OR CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Criteria for Designation

Tacoma Municipal Code recognizes six criteria of eligibility for inclusion on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places. Please select any that apply to this property, for which there is documented evidence included in this nomination form.

- \boxtimes Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; or \boxtimes В Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a \boxtimes master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or Has yielded or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history; or D Abuts a property that is already listed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places and was constructed within the period Ε of significance of the adjacent structure; or
- Historical Data (if known)

the neighborhood or City.

Date(s) of Construction 1902, 1949 Other Date(s) of Significance 1928, 1934, 1949, 1950

J.E. Darling,

Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of

Architect(s) N/A Builder Ray R. Kelly Engineer N/A

Architectural

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Style(s) Queen Anne, Modernist Material(s) wood, masonry

Statement of Significance

Describe in detail the chronological history of the property and how it meets the criteria for the Register of Historic Places. Please provide a summary in the first paragraph that lists the relevant criteria (use additional sheets if necessary). This section should include a thorough narrative of the property's history, context, occupants, and uses. If using a Multiple Property Nomination that is already on record, or another historical context narrative, please reference it by name and source.

See Appendix II and Appendix III

Appendix I: Appendix I: Part 2: Physical Description Narrative

Site

The small commercial building and adjacent residence 201 and 205 North Yakima Avenue respectively are located in the southwestern part of Tacoma's Stadium business district and well within the Stadium-Seminary National Register Historic District. Situated one block west of Division Avenue at the northwest corner of North Yakima Avenue and North 2nd Street, the corner on which these buildings sit characterizes the transition from more commercial uses to the east to primarily residential to the west. The 200 block of North Yakima Avenue is intact with no significant development since 1950 when the florist shop was built.

The buildings share a large rectangular lot (75' x 120'), which slopes downward to the north and is vacant on its northern half. The residence at 205 North Yakima occupies the western portion of the southern half of the lot, while the commercial building at 205 Norther Yakima Avenue occupies the eastern portion. The residential building is set back from North Yakima Avenue and is currently largely obscured from the right-of-way by dense vegetation. The commercial building is more visually prominent on its corner location and is separated from the surrounding sidewalks by small lawn areas transitioning to Roman brick planters with small bushes. A small paved driveway is located at the rear of the commercial building and accessed off of North 2nd Street.

201 North Yakima Avenue

A single-story commercial building constructed in 1949, 201 North Yakima Avenue features an irregular plan following a small rear addition to the western half of the northern elevation in 1950. The Modernist-style building is capped with a flat roof and surrounding tall parapet clad in non-original painted corrugated metal panels. The southern and eastern façades also feature an extending metal awning which contains original, recessed metal lighting features. Characteristic of its use, these two street-facing facades are enframed window walls with original plate glass windows and aluminum frames set on a low bulkhead of Roman brick and bordered by low Roman brick planters. The main entrance to the building is accessed from a concrete pathway off North Yakima Avenue and exhibits a single leaf, single glass pane commercial door with an ornamental aluminum push bar and glass transom above.

The less prominent western and northern elevations are clad in asbestos shingles (likely original) and exhibit limited fenestration and architectural detailing. The rear (north) addition from 1950, and now historic itself, is set back and not clearly visible from North 2nd Street due to a mature shrub located within a rock planter. This addition sits atop a raised concrete foundation and has non-original, two-light sliding windows in wood frames and a painted solid door accessed via a small set of concrete stairs. The rear addition also abuts a small portion of the extending porch of the adjacent residence at 201 North Yakima Avenue. Similar to the northern elevation, the western elevation exhibits limited fenestration consisting of a solid panel door and non-original two-light sliding window.

The building is in good overall condition and has not been substantially altered following the rear addition, which was completed only one year after the building's original construction. These alterations include the previously mentioned replacement of windows on the 1950 addition and the removal of a

neon sign. It is likely that the metal panels on the parapet, added sometime after 2016, conceal the original blue vitrolite glass tiles.

205 North Yakima Avenue

205 North Yakima Avenue is a two-story residence constructed in 1902 and featuring elements of the Queen Anne style. Rectangular in plan, it sits on a granite masonry foundation with basement and is capped by a front-facing gable roof with lower cross gables sheathed in asphalt shingles with an approximate one-foot overhang and punctuated by a masonry chimney near its northeastern corner. Vertical wood shake siding with an open keyway and even buttline sheathes a wood-frame structural system. Its primary, street-facing southern façade is framed above by the gable roof with a decorative cornice return and two original wooden-framed double-hung windows set centrally within the gable end. A non-original pent roof is situated below this gable ends and shelters the primary entrance, which is accessed via short concrete steps. Originally, a single-family residence, the building was converted to multi-family prior to the 1930s, resulting in the infill of a ground-level, inset porch and the installation of the two individual entrances, both of which contain wood-paneled and glass doors. East of the entryway, the building contains two, original, wood-framed double-hung windows, one of which is set within the canted, southeastern ground-level corner.

The eastern and western elevations are similar, and both feature short gable-ends with cornice returns and original, wood-framed, double-hung windows. On the eastern elevation, a bay window is located underneath the gable end, while a diamond-shaped window sits below on the western elevation. The eastern elevation also includes two sets of concrete stairs leading from the basement level to the main floor above and sheltered by a short shed roof. A small porch is also situated at the northern end of the eastern elevation above a storage shed or connecting passage, which abuts 201 North Yakima Avenue to the east. Remaining windows on both the eastern and western elevations are original, wood-framed and double-hung.

The northern elevation exhibits two enclosed porches, which extend out from the wall plane. On the main level, the enclosed porch runs the width of the building and exhibits three, potentially non-original, wood-framed picture windows and one original double-hung window at the western end. Situated atop this porch, is a secondary enclosed porch on the upper level, which is placed within the gable end. This porch does not appear to be original and does not exhibit the same wood-shake siding found throughout the rest of the building; rather, it is sheathed in vertical wood siding. This upper enclosed porch is capped by a shed roof and exhibits three-over-three wood-framed windows.

The building is in good overall condition with most of its original windows intact. However, it has seen some alteration since its initial construction. Many of these alterations likely occurred when the when the Wahlgren's bought the house in 1928 and increased the number of boarders. These alterations include the infill of the front porch and addition of a secondary entrance, the possible enclosed porch on the north elevation, and the addition of the storage shed at the northeastern corner of the building. Regardless of these alterations, the building retains a high level of overall integrity and is still representative of an early 20th century Queen Anne-style residence.

Appendix II: Part 3: Historical or Cultural Significance

Statement of Significance

At a 118 years of age for the Walhgren house at 205 N. Yakima Avenue and at 71 years of age for the Walhgren Florist Shop at 201 N. Yakima Avenue, both buildings meet the minimum criteria for inclusion on Tacoma's Register of Historic Places. Its history and residents are indicative of the development of that district as well as Tacoma itself, especially the important place the flower and bulb industry had in Tacoma and the South Sound from the 1920s through the 1960s. As a boarding house from the late 1920s until the 1980s, it is an example of working class or "missing middle" housing. Although the house has had some changes, those have been largely minor and are largely historic themselves. The florist shop is a fine example of early small-scale modernist architecture and is almost entirely intact.

The Walhgren house is a listed building in the Stadium Seminary National Register District. The house and shop sit well within the boundaries of the 1977 Stadium-Seminary Washington Heritage and National Register Historic District. They sit within an intact block of that district, which includes the 1890 Born-Lindstorm House (224 N. Yakima), listed individually on the Tacoma Register of Landmark Places, and the 1906 McNeeley House (223 N. Yakima). Within one block are several individually listed city landmarks: The Legacy Apartments (711-15 N. 1st), Wright Park, Crescent/New York Apartments (322 N. G), and the North Slope Historic District (Washington Heritage and National Register listed as well). Within two blocks are more city landmarks: 1904 John & Ella Snyder House (612 N. 4th St.), 1914 Ansonia Apartments (219 N. Tacoma Ave), 1928 Dorothy Apartments (301 N. Tacoma Ave) and 1924 First Presbyterian Church (20 S. Tacoma Ave.).

The shop and house at 201 and 205 N. Yakima Avenue meets the following criteria for inclusion on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places:

- Criterion A for its association with the major flower and bulb growing industry in and around
 Tacoma from the 1920s to the 1960s. Fred P. Wahlgren established a florist business here in 1934
 that continued for about 68 years, operated in later years by his wife and children. The business is
 also associated with Japanese-American Robert T. Mizukami and his Fife Gardenville Greenhouses as
 well as Tacoma's annual Daffodil Festival and parade. In addition, the house provided housing for a
 host of working and lower middle class residents of Tacoma.
- Criterion B for its association with the lives of persons and communities significant to Tacoma's past.
 It is associated with Harry Nash, a Washington Territory pioneer who established a thriving Tacoma
 butcher and meat market business. It is also associated as the residence and business site of
 Swedish immigrant Fred P. Walhgren, his wife Dora, and their children Lillian M. and Fred G., who all
 operated a successful florist business at the site for some 68 years.
- Criterion C for embodying for embodying the distinctive characteristics of a type and period. The
 florist shop at 201 N. Yakima Avenue is an excellent and rare example of Modernist-style
 commercial architecture in the Stadium District and exhibits a high quality of design through its
 enframed window walls, flat roof with parapet and extended awning with recessed light fixtures,
 decorative entry door, and Roman brick planters. The house at 205 N. Yakima Avenue has
 undergone some alterations since its initial construction; however, it remains clearly representative
 of the Free Classic variant of the Queen Anne-style modest residence constructed in the early 20th

Century and exhibits many character-defining features of the style, including its steeply pitched and cross-gabled roof, asymmetrical entrance, wood shake siding, and projecting bay and decorative windows.

Criterion F. Wahlgren's Florist shop at 210 N. Yakima has been a prominent feature of the corner of N. Yakima Avenue and N. 2nd Street since its construction in 1949. It is prominently represented on a wall mural in the outdoor seating of the local restaurant Shake Shake Shake (124 N. Tacoma Ave.) along with other prominent buildings in the Stadium district: Stadium High School (111 N. E St.), First Church of Christ Scientist (902 Division), and the Roberts Brothers Grocery (now MBA Architects, 124 N. I St.). Both 201 and 205 and the Wahlgren family are featured in the book *Tacoma's Stadium District*.¹

Building history

201 North Yakima Avenue

Fred P. Wahlgren designed the Wahlgren's Floral Shop at 201 N. Yakima Avenue after a building that Lillian and he saw in San Francisco while attending a flower show there after the end of WWII. In 1949, he had Ray R. Kelly Construction build it. With simple, clean lines, this building is a fine example of a small commercial building in the Modernist/International style. The open front allows a sweeping view of the interior that was an especially effective display in the evening as shown in the Richards Studio photograph (Fig. 8).

Raymond R. Kelly (1910 - 1984) was a prominent Tacoma building contractor active primarily in the 1940s through the 1960s. Kelly ran for city council in 1953 and served on the Tacoma School Board.

205 North Yakima Avenue

The house at 205 N. Yakima Avenue was built in 1902 by contractor Jacob E. Darling for Harry and Ellen Nash.³ It is a modest house with front-facing primary gable and lower cross gables in the Free Classic variant of the Queen Anne style. It is likely a pattern book design, such as 210 and 212 North Yakima across the street. Pattern book designs are common in the Stadium-Seminary and North Slope National Register Historic Districts. Other of Jacob E. Darling's houses share its general form and style, such as 4619 South Yakima Ave. (1903) and 620 North Oakes St. (1907). Other nearby houses share the same general form and Free Classic style, such as the row of four Russell & Heath designed cottages around the corner at 803 – 809 N. 2nd St. In 1977, it was specifically listed in the Stadium-Seminary Washington Heritage Register and National Register District nomination.⁴ The house was later owned by George R. and Nellie J. Carlaw and then by the Wahlgren family into the 2000s.

Jacob E. Darling (~1862 – 1929) was born in Canada and immigrated to America as a child, his family living in Michigan. By 1901, Darling was in Tacoma working as a building contractor. The Tacoma-Pierce County Building Index shows him responsible for several buildings, primarily houses (e.g. 4619 S. Yakima and 3608 & 3612 S. Sheridan). By 1904, he branches out into real estate, insurance and loans as the firm

¹ J. Keniston-Longrie, K. Longrie & A. Longrie, *Tacoma's Stadium District* (San Francisco: Arcadia, 2010), Pg. 111.

² Michael Sullivan (personal communication, 04/15/2020)

³ Tacoma Daily Ledger, 10/26/1902, pg. 24.

⁴ Caroline A. Gallacci, Stadium-Seminary Historic District Nomination, National Park Service, 05/26/1977

of J. E. Darling & Son. By 1920, however, he has moved to the Alaska Territory working again as a building contractor.⁵

Owner and Occupant History

The Nash Family - 1902 - 1915

Harry Nash (~1868 – 1938) was born in 1868 to Benjamin Franklin Nash, a billiards hall keeper and his wife Martha, a dressmaker, in Hillsboro, Wisconsin. By 1885 he is in Tacoma at the age of 18. In the 1889 Tacoma City Directory, he is listed as working as a bookkeeper at Ira F. Kneeland & Company, a meat market. By 1893, Harry is working as a meat cutter at the Washington Market Company, a meat wholesaler. That same year he marries Ellise (Ellen) Witzel, also born in Wisconsin and now working as a cook in domestic service. By 1895, it appears that Nash has his own butcher business, which will have various locations over the years but primarily in the 900 block of Broadway. In the 1910 U.S. Federal Census, Harry and Ellen are living at 205 N. Yakima with their four children Roy (14), Clarence (11), Ralph (9) and Gladys (6). By 1916, Harry and Ellen have left 205 N. Yakima and disappear from the Tacoma City Directory. By 1928, Harry and Ellen are living with their son Clarence in Sacramento, CA. Ellen dies in 1936, and Harry follows in 1938.

From 1916 to 1917, brothers Howard D. (1894 – 1982) and Ross E. Chastain (1887 – 1956) live at 205 N. Yakima along with Herman J. Schroeder (1883 – 1966). They are likely renting. Howard is a salesman with Cromwell & Chastain, a furniture manufacturer, and later works for the Harmon Company. In 1918 he enlists as a 2^{nd} Lieutenant in the Army in 1918. His brother Ross and Herman Schroeder were sales managers at Love-Warren-Monroe Dry Goods, located in the Morris-Miller Building (2102-06 Pacific Ave.), a contributing structure within the Union Depot Warehouse Historic District. In 1918, the house was home to Pauline & William H. Spindler, who was a manager at the Rhodes Department Store.

The Carlaws - 1919-1927

From 1919 until 1927, the house was home to George Raymond (1881 – 1960) & Nellie Jane Black (1881 – 1957) Carlaw (often misspelled "Carlow"). George was born in Minnesota to a Scots father and a Canadian mother. His wife Nellie was also born in Minnesota, and they were married in 1907. While it is unclear when they arrived in Tacoma, George and Nellie first appear in the Tacoma City Directory in 1918. George is employed by the Northern Pacific Railroad as a train dispatcher, a job he would hold for at least 20 years. They were joined by up to two boarders at various times: Nan Wickersham, a nurse, from 1920-22, Lester S. Wing, a draftsman, in 1920, and Joseph McGuire, a clerk, in 1921.

The Wahlgren Family

Fred P. Wahlgren (1879 – 1850) and his wife Dora (1885 – 1981) occupied 205 N. Yakima in 1927 with their two children Frederick G. (1913 – 2007) and Lillian M. (1921 – 2009). Dora would live at the house until her death with Lillian living there until the early 2000s.

Fred P. Wahlgren was born in Sweden about 1879, and immigrated with his family to America in 1889. Fred first appears in 1896 in the Tacoma City Directory. He is boarding with Otto W. Wahlgren, likely a

⁵ United States Federal Census, 1920

⁶ Washington Territory Census, 1885

⁷ R. L. Polk & Co., *Tacoma City Directory*

⁸ Pierce County Auditor, Marriage Records, 1893

⁹ Washington District Court, *Declaration of Intention*, 02/15/1900, pg. 167

relative. Both men work at the North Pacific Railroad Shops: Otto as a machinist and Fred as a boilermaker and later as a machinist. Otto had come to Tacoma from Chicago, and it is likely Fred had as well. Fred would work at the NPRR Shops until 1923 or 27 years. During most of this time the family resided at 5312 S. Lawrence Street.

In 1912, Fred married Theodora "Dora" Catherine Mertens in Olympia, WA. Born about 1885 in Wisconsin, but her family later moved to Minnesota. Her family moved to Minneapolis where she attended business school¹⁰ and worked as a clerk in a department store.¹¹ It is unclear how Dora and Fred met since she had not lived in Washington prior to her marriage. It is possible they had met earlier, or relatives in Minnesota may have arranged the marriage. Or, Fred and Dora may have met via personal ads or "mail order" marriage broker. Marriageable women were in short supply in the West, and men seeking wives wrote letters to churches and published personal advertisements in magazines and newspapers.

By 1924, Fred had left his machinist position at the Shops, perhaps as a result of an injury or ill health. The 1924 Tacoma City Directory lists Fred as "President" of the Directory Information Company along with William A. Ashton and Clarence E. Muckler with a capitalization of \$50,000. 12. Ashton had been a machinist at the NPRR Shops, while Muckler had been a publisher of the *Tacoma Church Record*. 13 The venture did not last past 1925, probably due to Muckler's death that year. Over the next three years, the Tacoma City Directory entry for him lists no employment.

In 1928, Fred and Dora move to 205 N. Yakima Avenue. They now have a 15 year-old son, Frederick Gerald born in 1913, and a seven year-old daughter, Lillian Margaret born in 1921.

The family lived in the first floor. Almost immediately, they took in boarders, who lived on the second floor and possibly the basement. Although it is not clear when it occurred, the Wahlgren's enclose the inset front porch and add a second exterior door to reach the second floor. By 1929, they appear to have eight rooms available that house an amazing 16 people. All the boarders are married couples, one with two children. While city directories are only a yearly snapshot, the Walhgren's hosted an average of nine boarders a year through the 1930s and an average of 11 through the 1940s. It would continue operating as a boarding house into the 1960s. The occupations include nurse, teachers, bookkeepers, salesmen, dentist, veterinary, managers, bricklayers, stenographers, and auto mechanic.

In 1929, he is working at the Piggy Wiggly Grocery, and in 1930, he appears to have returned to a machinist position at the NPRR Shops¹⁵. In 1931, Fred embarks on a new business: Tip Top Golf Greens, a miniature golf course located at 620 N. 1st Street (Columbia Bank today) that lasts only a year. His son Fred G. is now working as a clerk at Puget Sound Power & Light, where he'll work until he joins his father's business.

In the 1932 *Tacoma City Directory*, Fred P. is listed as a "gardener". However, by 1934 he is listed in the directory as a "florist" in the personal listings and as in the "Florists - Retail" section in the business

¹⁰ 1901 Minneapolis City Directory

¹¹ U.S. Federal Census, 1910

¹² Seattle Daily Times, "New Incorporations," 02/09/1924, pg. 8.

¹³ R. L. Polk & Co., *Tacoma City Directory*, 1924

¹⁴ Ibid., 1928 - 1965

¹⁵ U.S. Federal Census, 1930

listings. He operated the florist business from his home at 205 N. Yakima. By 1936, he had constructed a wooden shop near the site of the current shop. ¹⁶ Lillian would join her father in the business when she graduated from Stadium High School about 1939. By the 1945 *Tacoma City Directory*, the business is identified as "Wahlgren's Floral," and the permit history for 205 N. Yakima shows that a building sign was added that year.

From the 1920s through the 1950s, bulb and flower growing flourished in the Fife and Puyallup valleys. By 1941, it was estimated that Pierce, Thurston and Whatcom counties produced one third of all daffodils in the United States. The annual Daffodil Festival is a reminder of this industry. Lillian Wahlgren recalled providing daffodils for many floats over the years. Also, many of the flower growers were Japanese-Americans who lost their businesses during the WWII interment. Lillian recalled that her father was one of the few florists who bought from Robert T. Mizukami's Gardenville Greenhouses in Fife, WA, after the war. She also learned Japanese flower arranging techniques there. 17

Robert T. Mizukami (1922 – 2010) was born near Star Lake, WA. In 1937, the Mizukami family purchased Gardenville Greenhouses in Fife, WA. The outbreak of WWII forced the family's interment at Camp Harmony, Puyallup, WA, and then Camp Minidoka, ID. In 1943, he enlisted and joined the vaunted 442nd Regimental Combat Team, fighting in Italy and France and earning a Purple Heart. At the end of the war, the Mizukami's returned to Fife and resumed the flower business. Robert was active in the movement to repeal racially discriminatory state and federal laws. He was also a charter member of Fife's city council, served as its police chief, and its second mayor.¹⁸

In 1949, Fred P. Wahlgren had Ray R. Kelly Construction build a Modernist style shop of his own design after one he had seen in San Francisco.¹⁹ However, Fred P. died the following year on November 1, 1950. His wife Dora took over the business with the assistance of her children. Lillian worked in the shop, and Fred G. handled the accounting. In 1951, a small storage area was added to the rear of the shop. Dora and Lillian would continue to live at 205 N. Yakima. Lillian and Fred G. continued the business after Dora' death in 1981 until about 2002. Wahlgren's Floral would operate for some 68 years at this location.²⁰

¹⁶ Sanborn Map Company. Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington, 1936.

¹⁷ Michael Sullivan (personal communication, 05/18/2020)

¹⁸ Robert T. Mizukami obituary, Seattle Times, 05/16/2010, Pg. B4

¹⁹ Michael Sullivan (personal communication, 04/15/2020)

²⁰ Lillian M. Wahlgren obituary, *Tacoma News Tribune*, 10/08/2009, Pg. A-7.

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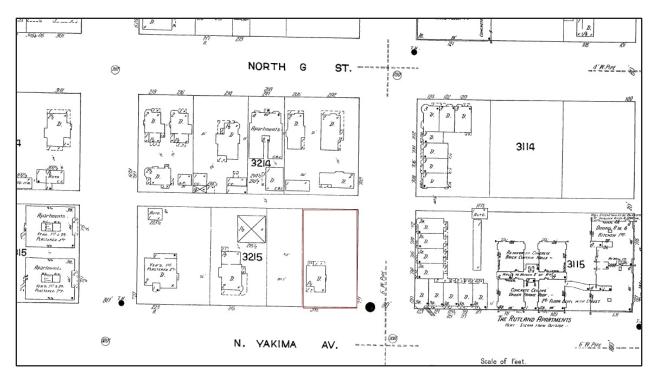


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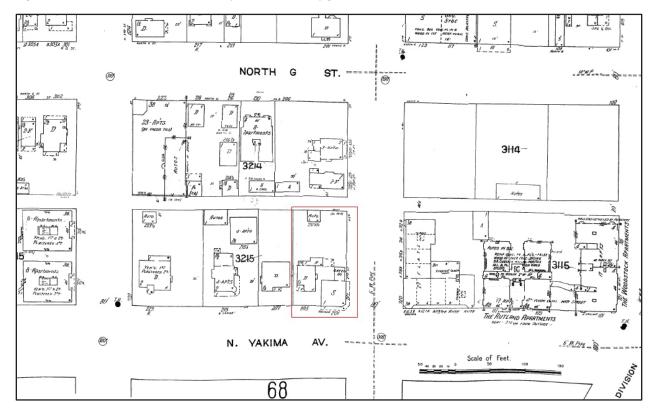


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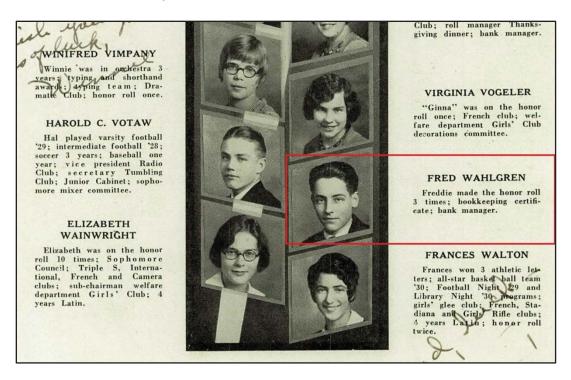


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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Fred G. Wahlgren, Jr is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he she was authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as Manager of Wahlgren Denney Real Estate; LLC to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument:

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RE: 201-205 North Yakima Ace. Tacoma WA

To Whom It May Concern:

Historic Tacoma is a non-profit preservation advocacy organization. We are submitting a nomination to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places for your property at 201-205 North Yakima Avenue, parcel #2032150040. We believe that both the house and floral shop are eligible for landmark designation.

If you have concerns about this application, please rely to info@historictacoma.org or to my attention at Historic Tacoma, PO Bpx 7664, Tacoma WA 98417.

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201 & 205 N YAKIMA AVENUE



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FEBRUARY 2020 HISTORIC PROPERTY ASSESSMENT REPORT

201-205 N YAKIMA STREET

1. Introduction

This Historic Property Assessment Report provides information regarding the architectural design and historical significance of two buildings located within the Stadium-Seminary National Historic District of Tacoma, Washington. The buildings are addressed at 201 and 205 N Yakima Street, and constructed in 1949 and before 1902, respectively. Studio TJP (formerly The Johnson Partnership) prepared this report at the request of ACE Construction Services, LLC.

1.1 Background

Per the Tacoma Municipal Code 13.12.570.B, potentially historic structures proposed for demolition within historic districts may require review by the Tacoma Landmarks Preservation Commission. Proposed alterations or demolition of the subject buildings described within this report will require a permit from the City of Tacoma Planning & Development Services Department. This report was prepared in response to a meeting follow-up memo prepared by Planning & Development Services for record number PRE19-0259 – 3rd Review (1/17/20). Specifically, the memo requested a Historic Property Assessment Report. The requirements for the report were laid out in the electronic review comment memo (11/15/19), and those requirements (A, B, C, D, and E) are referred to in this report in the headers of each section. The requirements are as follows:

- ...a Historic Property Assessment report is required to be prepared by a qualified historic preservation consultant, which must contain:
- a. A narrative statement which assesses the historical or cultural significance of the property, in terms of the Designation Criteria listed in TMC 13.07.050; and
- b. A narrative statement which assesses the physical condition of the property and includes an architectural description; and
- c. Specific language indicating which improvements on the site are eligible for historic designation according to the Designation Criteria, including any significant interior features within publicly owned buildings; and
- d. A complete legal description; and
- e. A description of the character-defining features and architectural elements that contribute to the historic character of the property.

1.2 Methodology

Ellen F. C. Mirro, AIA, Principal; Katherine Jaeger, MFA; and Audrey N. Reda, MArch, of Studio TJP (formerly The Johnson Partnership), 1212 NE 65th Street, Seattle, completed research on this report between January and February 2020. Research was undertaken at the Tacoma Department of Planning & Development online permit history, Tacoma Public Library,

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the Museum of History and Industry, and the University of Washington Special Collections Library. Research also included review of Internet resources, including HistoryLink.com and Ancestry.com. Buildings and site were inspected and photographed on February 4, 2020 to document the existing conditions.

1.3 Qualifications

Ellen F.C. Mirro meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards as an Architectural Historian.¹ She has university degrees in Art History (BA, University of California at Santa Cruz) and Architecture (March, University of Washington), has contributed to the Society of Architectural Historians' Archipedia project for the State of Washington,² and has been practicing as a consultant in the field of Architectural History for the last 15 years.

¹ The Professional Qualifications Standards can be viewed here: https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/arch_stnds_9.htm ² Ellen Mirro's contributions include collaborations and individual entries on the Seattle Center and the University of Washington, collaboration on the Maple Valley Library, and an individual entry on the Johnson-Hastings house, and can be viewed here: https://sah-archipedia.org

2. Significance (A): Owners & Building History

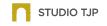
Harry Nash was the first owner and tenant of the residence at 205 N Yakima. He commissioned the house to be built by contractor J. E. Darling. Darling first appeared in Tacoma's historic record in 1900, when he was listed as a carpenter in the city directory. The next year he was listed in the directory as a building contractor, however, by 1904 Darling was listed as a real estate agent in the Provident Building. In 1907 he was working in real estate insurance and loans.³ *See figure 1.*

Harry Nash was born in Wisconsin in 1867. He moved Washington State in or before 1885.⁴ Nash owned a meat market located at 930 South C street (1903) and later at 1114 South C Street (1906).⁵ In 1893, in Steilacoom, Pierce County, he married Ellen Nash (née Witzel),⁶ who had been born in Wisconsin in 1869. Harry and Ellen lived in the subject building at 205 N Yakima from the time it was built in 1902 until 1915 with their four children: Roy, Clarence, Ralph, and Gladys.⁷ Harry Nash died in 1928.⁸

The Wahlgren Family was the longest-term owner and tenant of the property. Fred P. and Dora C. Wahlgren began their residency in the home starting in 1928.9 Fred was born in Sweden in 1881. Dora was born in 1888 in Minnesota. 10 They had two children, Frederick G., born in 1914, and Lillian, born in 1921. Before moving into the house at 205 N Yakima Street the family lived at 5315 S Lawrence Street in Tacoma. 11 Fred Wahlgren and his older brother Otto were both machinists, Fred working in a railway maintenance shop in 1920. 12 By 1925 Fred Wahlgren became the president and manager of the Directory Information Company. The Wahlgren household included at least three lodgers in the 1930 census: Margaret Halvorson, laundress; Ralph Sexton, auto mechanic; and Fred F Wheeler, restaurant manager. ¹³ None of the lodgers were recorded in the directories. Between 1928 and 1931 the Wahlgrens operated a mini-golf course for neighborhood children on the corner lot south of 205 N Yakima Street.¹⁴ Fred and Lillian Wahlgren both graduated from Stadium High School in the 1930s. In 1931 Fred and Dora began a floral business and constructed a wooden store building in the same location as what would later become the subject building at 201 N Yakima Street, as recorded in the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of 1936.¹⁵ Between 1936 and 1949 there were additional lodgers at 205 N Yakima including Fern Carrington (1914-1980).

In 1949 the Wahlgrens applied for a permit to construct a commercial building at 201 N Yakima. According to a *Tacoma Daily Ledger* article featuring the new floral shop, the building was complete as of September 1, 1949. However, the construction permit was not finalized until

¹⁵ Ibid.



³ R. L. Polk & Co., Seattle City Directory, 1900, 1901, 1904 and 1907.

⁴ Washington State and Territorial Censuses, 1857-1892, available via Ancestry.com.

⁵ R. L. Polk & Co, Seattle City Directory.

⁶ Washington State Archives, Washington Marriage Records, 1854-2013, reference no: prcmc-vol-1d_m_00142, Olympia, Washington.

⁷ United States Department of Commerce, 1910 Federal Census of the United States, Tacoma Ward 2, Pierce, WA, Roll: T624_1663, Page: 2B, Enumeration District: 0230, FHL microfilm: 1375676.

⁸ Washington, Death Records, 1883-1960, available via Ancestry.com

⁹ R. L. Polk & Co, Seattle City Directory.

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¹³ United States Department of Commerce, 1930 Federal Census of the United States, Census Place: Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, Page: 1B, Enumeration District: 0108, FHL microfilm: 2342245.

¹⁴ Joy Keniston-Longrie, Kelsey Longrie, Amberose Longrie, Tacoma's Stadium District (San Francisco: Arcadia Publishing, 2010), p.111

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1950.¹⁶ The contractor was Ray R. Kelley & Company. According to the *Tacoma Daily Ledger*, the firm Sutherlan & Day assisted with the "operational assembly."¹⁷ The article describes the building thus:

Both the Yakima and Second street sides of the building are entirely of plate glass, capped with a marquee and blue vitrolite glass above. The foundation and window boxes are of attractive Roman brick. ¹⁸ See figures 2-4

Fred P. Wahlgren died in 1950. After 1949 the address for the floral shop was separated from that of the residence. After Fred's death Dora and her daughter Lillian continued to live in the residence along with a lodger—Fern Carrington, an x-ray technician¹⁹—until 1965. After 1965, the lodgers' addresses began to appear in the directory as 205 ½, and a series of different lodgers and vacancies occupied that address. A building permit was not on record for the residential structure until 1973, when a permit was issue to re-roof it.

Fred G. Wahlgren married Frances E. Arnhold in 1938.²⁰ He managed the shop, and Lillian was the floral designer. Fred G. and Frances lived at 713 N Cushman Avenue in Tacoma with their three children. Lillian and her brother operated the floral business at 201 N Yakima until around 1995. Altogether, Wahlgren's Floral remained in business for sixty-two years.²¹ Lillian and Dora continued to live in 205 N Yakima until Dora's death in 1981, after which Lillian resided in the property until her death in 2009. Fred G. Wahlgren died in 2007. *See figures 5-6.*

After 2009, there have been rental tenants residing in 205 N Yakima, and at least two commercial tenants in 201 N Yakima. Commercial tenants included Artifacts Historic Preservation and Northwest Healing Arts massage school.

²¹ Mountain View Funeral Home, Memorial Park & Crematory, "In Memory of Lillian Margaret Wahlgren," http://mountainview.frontrunnerpro.com/book-of-memories/347824/Wahlgren-Lillian/obituary.php?Printable=true (accessed February 2020).



¹⁶ Building permit and Tacoma Daily Ledger.

¹⁷ Tacoma Daily Ledger, "New Shop has Latest Store Design Features," September 1, 1949, p. A8.

¹⁸ Ibid.

¹⁹ R. L. Polk & Co., Seattle City Directory, 1945-1960.

²⁰ Washington, County Marriages, 1855-2008, via Ancestry.com.

3. Legal description, Property Data and Site features (D)

3.1 Property Data

Assessor's File Number: 2032150040

Legal Description: Lots 10, 11, and 12 Block 3215, Map of New Tacoma, W.T. which was Filed for record in the office of the Pierce County Auditor February 3, 1876, Records of Pierce Country, Washington; together with that portion of the vacated alley which attached by operation of law. Situate in the County of Pierce, State of Washington.

Location: Stadium-Seminary Historic District

Property Size: 9,750 sq. ft.

Address: 201 N Yakima Avenue

Historic Building Names: Wahlgren's Floral, 205 N Yakima, 201 N Yakima Avenue

Current Building Name: Northwest Academy for the Healing Arts

Date of Construction: 1949

Original/Present Use: Commercial

Original/Present Owner: Mr. & Mrs. Fred Wahlgren/A&A Property Holdings LLC

Original Designer: Unknown

Original Builder: Ray R. Kelly & Company, general contractors

Building Size: 1,576 sq. ft.

Address: 205 N Yakima Avenue

Historic Building Names: Wahlgren's Floral, 205 N Yakima, 205½ N Yakima

Current Building Name: 205 N Yakima, Units A and B

Date of Construction: 1902

Original/Present Use: Private residence/duplex

Original/Present Owner: Harry Nash/A&A Property Holdings LLC

Original Designer: unknown

Original Builder: J. E. Darling, general contractor

Building Size: 1,897 sq. ft.

3.2 Site Description

The subject site is located at the corner of North Second Street and North Yakima Avenue. Both North Second Street and North Yakima Avenue are angled, and thus the directions described both for the subject site and subject buildings are approximate directions rather than cardinal. The site has concrete sidewalks along the northern and eastern property lines. To the south is an adjacent residential property, and to the west is an asphalt-paved alleyway. The subject site is divided into two distinct portions. To the north is an area level with the lowest portion of the street at the northeastern corner. The mown-grass area is defined by two concrete



retaining walls, approximately six feet high, to the south and to the east. Blackberry brambles grow just above the south retaining wall. The two subject buildings are located on the southern half of the site: 201 North Yakima, the commercial building, at the eastern corner and 205 North Yakima, the residential building, to the west. Dense landscaping and mature plantings obscure the pedestrian street view of the residential building. However, the commercial building is surrounded to the south and east by mowed lawns and low, maintained bushes contained within built-in, Roman-brick planters adjacent to the building. North of the commercial building is a rockery with mature plantings and a concrete driveway. Low concrete retaining walls define additional planters and a concrete walkway. *See figures 7-11*

4. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION. 201 NORTH YAKIMA STREET

4.1 Building Structure & Exterior Features

The former floral shop building is a wood-framed, single-story structure with a flat roof and a metal-capped parapet. The foundation is poured concrete.

The eastern façade roof has a metal-capped parapet below which are non-original painted corrugated metal panels. On the eastern side of this façade, a wide marquee awning extends 6'-0" from the building and contains original, recessed metal lighting fixtures in a painted metal soffit. Below the awning is a built-in window wall that wraps the building and continues on the eastern façade. The original plate glass windows are aluminum frame, and behind each mullion is a four-inch steel column. At the base of the subject building, below the windows, is a built-in planter constructed of painted Roman bricks and capped with terra cotta tiles. On the western side of this façade, the building is clad in painted asbestos shingles. Located on this side is a small, single-light wood-frame window, a larger, square two-light sliding wood frame window, and a painted, flat-panel door with wooden trim. Cast-in-place concrete stairs lead from the driveway to this entryway.

The southern façade is similar to the eastern façade. A concrete walkway on the northern end of this façade leads from North Yakima Avenue to the main entry. The main entry is a glass commercial door with a single-light transom above.

The western façade has a metal-capped parapet at the roof. The entire façade is clad in non-original, painted asbestos shingles. The façade contains a single rectangular two-light sliding window with a wood frame and a single painted flat-panel door with wooden trim. At the base of the original building, the Roman brick topped with terra cotta tiles continues from the eastern façade. At the far west of the façade, the building abuts an enclosed storage area which also serves as a porch to the adjacent residential building.

The northern façade is similar to the western façade. A portion of the building protrudes to the west, with a three-foot awning and a painted metal soffit. The flat roof of this portion of the building is approximately five feet lower than the roof of the original building. There is a square two-light sliding wood frame window on the protruding wall, and a flat panel door with cast-in-place concrete stairs located on a wall set further back. *See figures 14-20.*

4.2 Plan & Interior Features

The building has an irregular-shaped plan, measuring approximately 54'-0" by 36'-0". The building can be divided into six main spaces. A reception area is located along North Second Street, and a long classroom is located along North Yakima Avenue. Between these two spaces is the floral case, behind which is a work area with the former walk-in refrigerator (now office

space), a restroom, and a small refreshment area. At the far back of the building, located in the addition, is a practice lab. Both the interior light fixtures and original flooring have been replaced. However, the original interior soffit at the ceiling of the reception and classroom areas appears original. The interior spaces are heated with linear, wall-hung radiators. Interior finishes include plaster ceilings, painted drywall, textured wooden paneling, painted brick, painted concrete, wooden trim, wooden flooring, ceramic tile, and linoleum flooring.

4.3 Documented Building Alterations

The subject building was constructed in 1949 as a florist shop originally addressed as 205 North Yakima Street; the following year the address number changed to 201. Before the construction of the subject building, a permit was issued in 1945 for a building sign. In 1949, additional permits were issued to the property for four more plumbing fixtures and the re-hanging of a neon sign. In 1950 an approximately 23'-0" by 20'-0" addition was added to the rear of the building on the northern end. Sometime after this addition, the southern and western façades were covered in asbestos shingle cladding.

Inspection of the property shows a significant portion of the building is original to the time of construction. Observable alterations include the removal of the original Wahlgren's Floral sign. Photographic evidence shows that by 2016, the original blue vitrolite²² glass above the marquee canopy was damaged with visible cracks, and non-original flashing was placed on the bottom row. The obscuring or removal of the vitrolite glass above the canopy and the painting of the Roman brick planters occurred between September 2016 and September 2018. At this time, the fascia was also replaced or obscured by another material.²³

The interiors have undergone similar light alterations. Interior alterations include the replacement of the original floor with wood flooring and replacement of interior showcase paneling with unpainted wooden tongue and grove paneling.

Recorded Permits,	see figures	<i>21-23</i> :
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Date	Description	Contractor	Permit #
11-2-45	Bldg. sign \$300		6981
6-17-49	Bldg. florist shop \$10,000	Ray R. Kelly	7672
7-14-49	Plmbg. 4 fixtures		2782
8-15-49	Bldg. re-hang neon sign \$250		8271
7-31-50	Bldg. retaining wall \$3,000		1505
2-8-51	Bldg. add'n to florist shop \$500		2917

4.4 Physical Condition

The subject building is in fair physical condition. There is some minor damage to the terra cotta tiles lining the windows sills located on the southern and western façades. The property appears well maintained.

4.5 Character-Defining Features, 201 N Yakima (E)

The subject building was constructed in 1949 in a commercial Modernist style. Character-

²³ Tacoma News Tribune, "Beautiful New Wahlgren's Florist Makes its Bow to Public Friday," September 1, 1949, pg. A-8.



²² Vitrolite is "a long-life enamel that lasts longer than paint outside or inside, on wood, metal, concrete, plaster, brick or stone." Sweets Catalogue Service, Inc, *Sweet's Architectural Catalogue* (New York, NY: 1920), pg. 1109.

defining features of the mid-century Modern style originally found on the subject building included:

- 1. Building form and massing, one story, with flat roof and parapet, marquee awning, and steel pipe column structural system separated from window wall: **intact**
- 2. Vitrolite parapet: covered or demolished
- 3. Plate glass window-wall: intact
- 4. Roman-brick planters: intact (although painted)
- 5. Marquee: replaced material, original light fixtures
- 6. Neon signage: removed

5. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION, 205 N YAKIMA

5.1 Building Structure & Exterior Features

The subject building is a wood framed, two story structure with basement, a gable and dormer roof and non-original composite asphalt shingle roofing. The visible foundation is granite masonry. Typical windows are single pane, double hung wood sash, without exterior trim beyond an aluminum channel to separate the window frame from the shingle siding. Typical siding is painted wood, re-sawn shingles, with an open keyway and an even buttline. On the upper story the shingles are in a 7:2 ratio pattern. At the main floor the shingles have an even seven-inch exposure.

The southern façade faces North Yakima Avenue. The cross-gable roof has a one-foot overhang with original painted wood trim. At the roofline is a decorative cornice return on either side. Set between the returns is a somewhat recessed portion of wood trim spanning the length of the façade, causing a minor flair of the siding at the upper floor. A pent roof supported by curved wooden brackets covers the doors leading to Units A and B and has painted wooden shingles similar to the siding on the main floor. There are two double-hung, wooden-frame windows on the upper floor and a double-hung, wooden-frame window on the main floor. At the corner of the building, between the eastern and southern façades, is another wooden-frame, double-hung window set in an angled portion of wall. Originally this façade contained an open porch on the western side of the main floor. The porch was probably filled in when the residence was converted to a duplex sometime before the 1930s. The duplex conversion may have led to other alterations, such as shortening the window at the upper floor in the gable end, and accounting for the awkward pent roof intersections.

The western façade has a single dormer with cornice returns. The western wall of the dormer is flush with the western façade. There are seven wood-frame windows on this façade. One double-hung window is set into the dormer on the upper floor. Between the two levels, where the interior stairway turns, is a fixed, diamond-shaped window. Located near the northern end of the main floor are three additional double-hung windows. At the far northern end of this façade, a portion of the lower- and upper-level enclosed porch areas are visible. The upper porch is clad in painted wood and has two six-light sliding windows. The lower porch is clad in a manner similar to most of the western façade.

The northern façade has two dormers, visible on either side of the roof. Centered on the roof is the enclosed porch addition with an asphalt-shingled hip roof. At the main floor, the enclosed porch, also clad in wooden shingles, has a composite asphalt shingle roof. The basement level is also clad in shingles and no area of the foundation is exposed. A portion of the storage shed façade is visible. The siding on the storage shed is consistent with that of the main floor of the house, and the flat roof is used as a patio with a wood and wire railing. There are four rectangular six-light wooden-frame windows at the upper level; three fixed single-light wooden-frame windows and one rectangular wooden-frame, double-hung window at the main floor; and a fixed single-light wood-frame window at the basement level.

The eastern façade contains a single dormer. The eastern wall of the dormer is not flush with the façade, overhanging at the corners. This is due to a bay window located just below at the main level. A set of cast-in-place stairs at the northern end of the façade leads from the basement entry. A second stair leads up to the main floor kitchen or to the porch located above the storage shed. At the basement level the foundation is exposed rusticated granite masonry. The eastern façade of the storage shed is similar to the shed's northern façade, and contains a single five-panel painted door accessing the interior. *See figures 24-28.*

5.2 Plan & Interior Features

The building has a rectangular-shaped plan, measuring approximately 26"0" by 42'-0". The building is divided into a duplex, with one apartment located on each floor. The main floor contains a one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartment with a living room, dining area, kitchen, office, sunroom, and an outdoor porch located above the storage shed abutting the adjacent commercial building. The upper floor contains a one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartment with living room, kitchen, dining area, and an enclosed porch at the northern end of the building. The interior spaces of both upper and lower units are heated with wall units and cast-iron radiators. Typical interior finishes include painted plaster, drywall, wood trim, hardwood flooring, linoleum, and ceramic tile.

5.3 Documented Building Alterations

The subject building was constructed in 1902.²⁴ In 1973, a permit was issued to re-roof the dwelling unit. The composition of the siding and the lack of trim at the windows (except for an aluminum channel) leads to the conclusion that the building may have also been re-sided at this time. Between the construction of the building in 1902 and the writing of this report, additional alterations to the building can be traced through photographic evidence. The original front porch on the southern façade was enclosed and the shed roof with wooden shingles was added to the building. Decorative woodwork near the apex of the roof was removed. The exterior of the home, once two-toned, was painted a consistent color. An additional porch was added to the northern façade on the second floor.²⁵ The storage shed visible at the northern and eastern façades also appears to be a later addition to the building.

Recorded Permits, see figure 29:

Date	Description	Designer	Contractor	Permit #
2-9-73	Re-roof dwelling unit			E 43318

5.4 Physical Condition

The subject building is in fair physical condition. There is some minor water damage to the wooden shingles in certain locations.

²⁴ Tacoma Daily Ledger, "Harry Nash's New Home, 205 North Yakima Avenue," October 24, 1902, pg. 24.

²⁵ In the announcement article from 1902, the building dimensions are called out as 26x34 feet.

5.5 Character-Defining Features, 205 N Yakima (E)

The subject building was constructed in 1902 in the Queen Anne style. Character-defining features of the Queen Anne style originally found on the subject building include:

- 1. Building form and massing
 - a. Steeply-pitched roof: intact with replacement roofing
 - b. Asymmetrical façade: altered, porch removed
 - c. Building plan: altered
- 2. Contrasting materials, quite often layered by story: altered, siding removed
- 3. Application of factory-made carved, turned, and appliqué ornamentation: **demolished gable end decoration**
- 4. Groupings of windows, usually double-hung: intact, window trim demolished.

6. Improvements & Features Eligible Under Designation Criteria (C)

A property is eligible for consideration for listing in the Tacoma Register of Historic Places if it is at least 50 years old at the time of nomination and the property retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association such that it is able to convey its historical, cultural, or architectural significance.

Both buildings on the subject property are more than 50 years old. They are in their original locations, but differ in some key ways from their original designs.

In the case of 201 N Yakima, the removal of the vitrolite parapet affects the ability of the building to convey its architectural significance. Because the building originally exhibited few character-defining features, the removal of the most unique of these features affects the architectural integrity of the building.

In the case of 205 N Yakima, when the building was converted to a duplex it lost the characteristic porch. More significantly, in 1978, the re-siding of the building meant the window trim and gable-end wooden ornamentation was also demolished. This affects the architectural integrity of the building.

Neither building appears as an example in the National Register Nomination form for the Stadium-Seminary Historic District. The period of significance for the Stadium-Seminary National Historic District is listed as between 1888 and 1930. The building located at 201 N Yakima Street, constructed in 1949, falls outside the period of significance for the Historic District. The alterations to the building at 201 N Yakima began in 1928, and so the conversion of the building to a duplex and loss of the front porch may have acquired significance over time, but the loss of integrity due to alterations in 1978 is outside the period of significance of the Historic District.

In addition to the above requirements, a property designated to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places must qualify under one of the six categories discussed below:

A. It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

The subject building is not known to be associated in a significant way with an historic event with a significant effect upon the community, city, state, or nation. The building does not qualify for designation under this criterion.

B. It is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

The subject buildings are known to be associated with the Wahlgren family and Wahlgren's Floral in a significant way. The significance of the Wahlgren family stems from their sixty two-year proprietorship of the Wahlgren's Floral business, and their reputation as kind, fair landlords. The longevity of a business and residency may not be enough to cause the members of the Wahlgren family to be considered "significant" to the history of the city of Tacoma.

C. It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.

Because both buildings have been altered, they no longer clearly convey their architectural

types or period of construction. Neither do they represent "high artistic values," as neither seems to have been designed by an architect or master craftsman. Despite their original designs, the alterations affect the ability of the buildings to convey those designs.

- **D.** It has yielded or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history. The subject buildings are not known to have yielded, and are not likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history. The buildings do not qualify for designation under this criterion.
- E. It abuts a property that is already listed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places and was constructed within the period of significance of the adjacent structure.

The subject buildings neither abut a property that is already listed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, nor were they constructed within the period of significance of the adjacent structure. The buildings do not qualify for designation under this criterion.

F. Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, it represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or City.

The commercial building at 201 N Yakima is prominently located at the corner of N Yakima Avenue and N Second Street. The fact that the building stands on a corner is not enough to qualify under this criterion. However, it is represented on a mural at the outdoor eating area of local restaurant Shake Shake Shake (124 N Tacoma Avenue), illustrating the subject building and two other buildings in the same area. The representation of the building in its past state on the mural may indicate that the subject building does represent an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood. However, the period of significance for the Stadium-Seminary National Historic District is listed as between 1888 and 1930. As such, the building located at 201 N Yakima Street falls outside the period of significance for the Historic District. *See figure 30.*

The residential building at 205 N Yakima is screened by vegetation and does not represent and established or familiar feature of the neighborhood.

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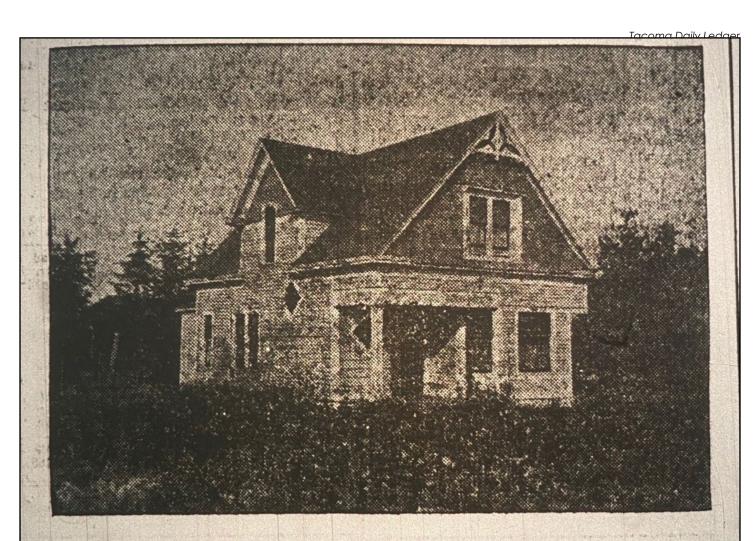
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8. FIGURES



Harry Nash's New Home, 205 North Yakima Avenue.

This one-and-a-half-story residence contains seven rooms, pantry, bathroom and hall. The cost to build was \$2,100. The house stands on two lots and the ground dimensions of the house are 26x34 feet.

The general contractor on this building was J. E. Darling, South Forty-first and Sprague streets. The plumbing was done by Adolf Gehri & Co., 1113 South Tacoma avenue. The Davies-Sherman Machinery & Electrical company, 1540 Commerce street, installed the electrical fixtures. The hardware was furnished by the Washington Hardware company, 928 Pacific avenue. This house is piped for gas lights and gas range. Photo by S. A. McCandless.

Figure 1 • "Harry Nash's New Home, 205 North Yakima Avenue," 1902





Figure 2 • Exterior of Wahlgren's Floral, 1949



Figure 3 • Interior of Wahlgren's Floral, 1949





Figure 4 • Image of new stop sign with Wahlgren's Floral in background, ca. 1950s

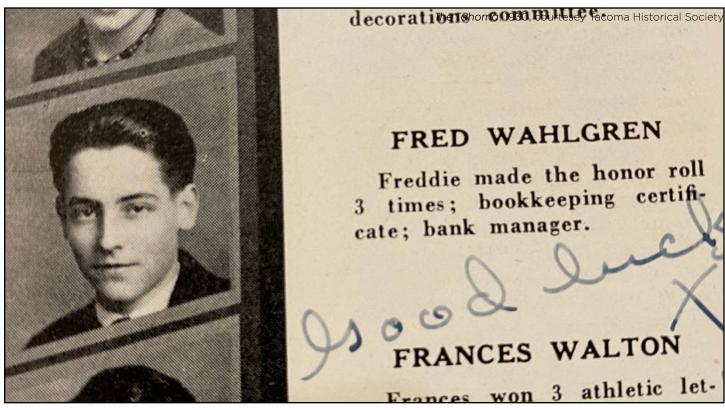
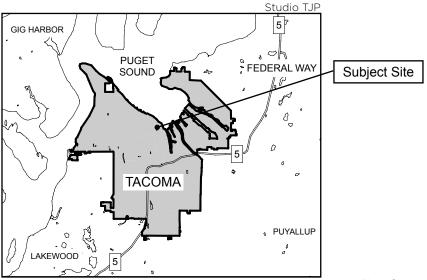


Figure 5 • Fred Wahlgren, senior yearbook photo from The Tahoma, the Stadium High School yearbook



Figure 6 • Lillian Wahlgren, 1954



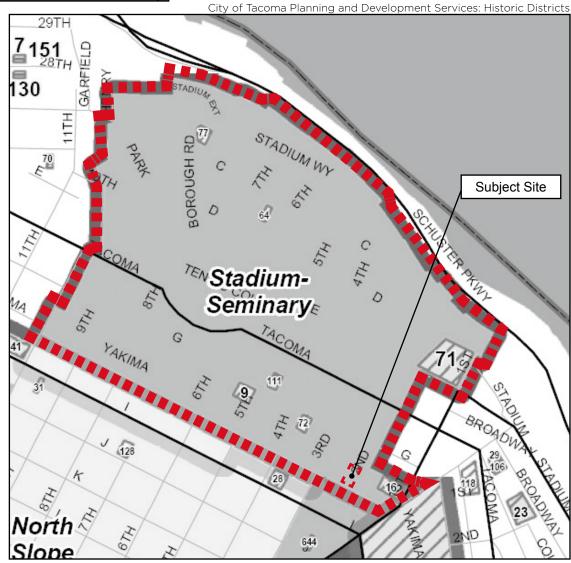


Figure 7 • Location Maps



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King County Parcel Viewer

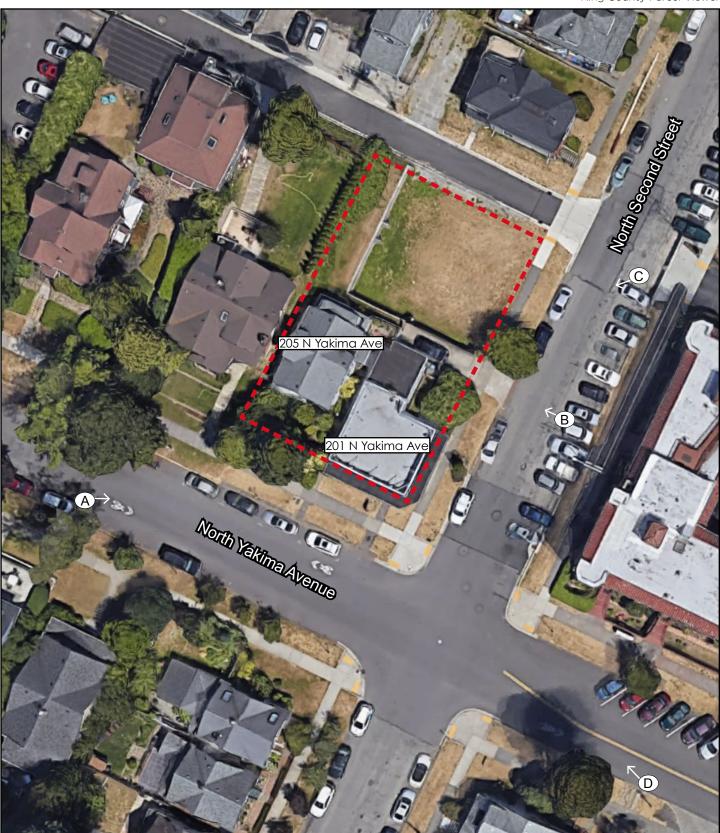


Figure 8 • Aerial View



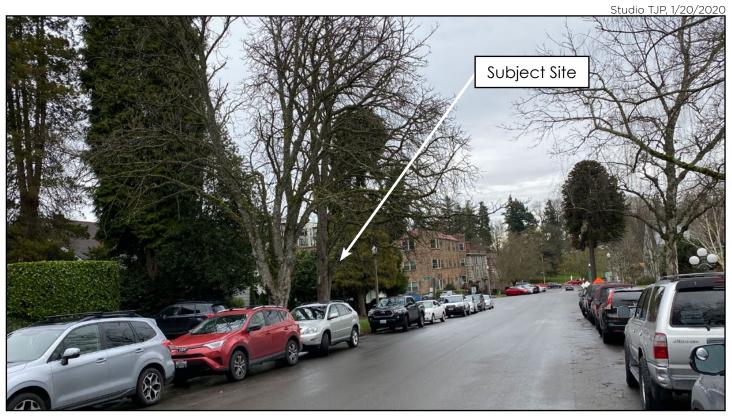


Figure 9 • View A - Viewing east on N Yakima Avenue



Figure 10 • View B - Viewing northwest across N Second Street



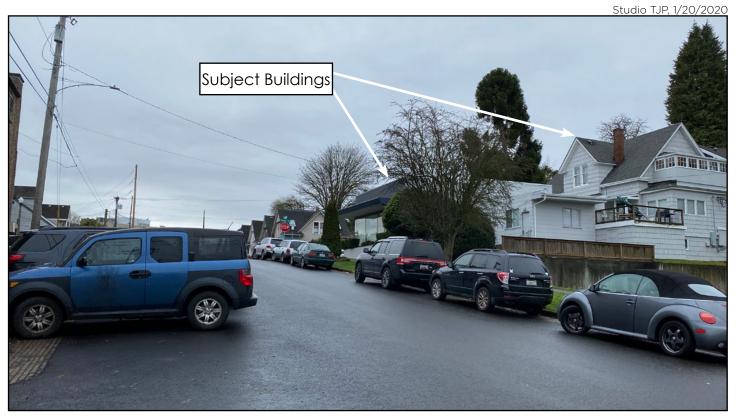


Figure 11 • View C - Viewing southwest on N Second Street



Figure 12 • View D - Viewing northwest on N Yakima Avenue



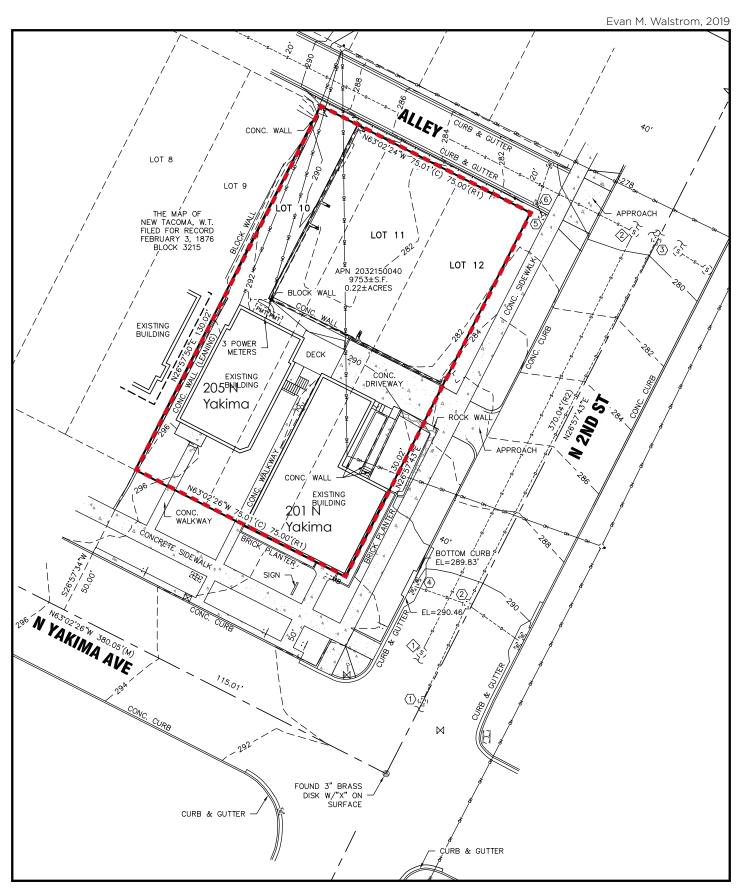


Figure 13 • Topographic Survey Map





Figure 14 • 201 S Yakima, viewing from the south



Figure 15 • 201 S Yakima, eastern façade





Figure 16 • 201 S Yakima, southern façade



Figure 17 • 201 S Yakima, southern façade detail of entry door





Figure 18 • 201 S Yakima, western façade

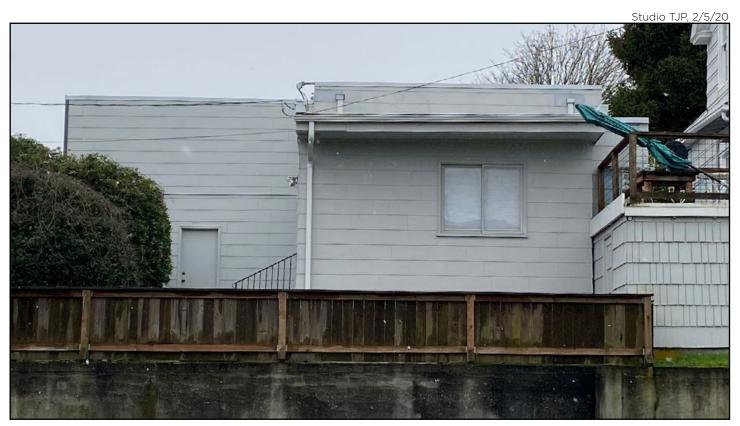


Figure 19 • 201 S Yakima, northern façade





Figure 20 • 201 S Yakima, rear addition

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Figure 21 • City of Tacoma inspection record 205 No. yakima, now 201 N Yakima

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2-8-51	2917	Bldg. add'n to florist shop \$500			5-25-51 JC
					

Figure 22 • City of Tacoma inspection record 205 No. yakima, now 201 N Yakima

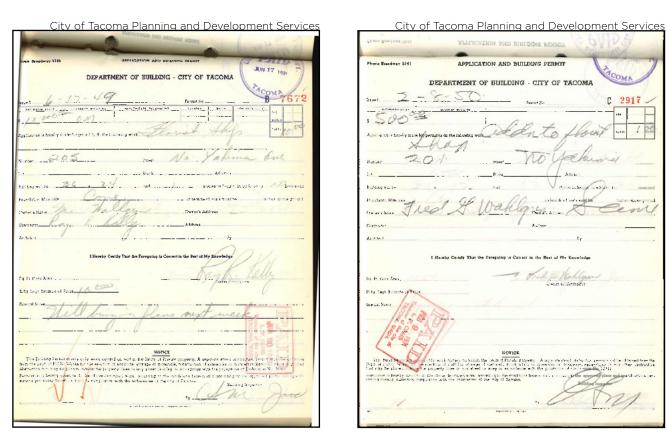


Figure 23 • City of Tacoma Department of Building receipts for permits 7672 and 2917





Figure 24 • 205 S Yakima, southern façade

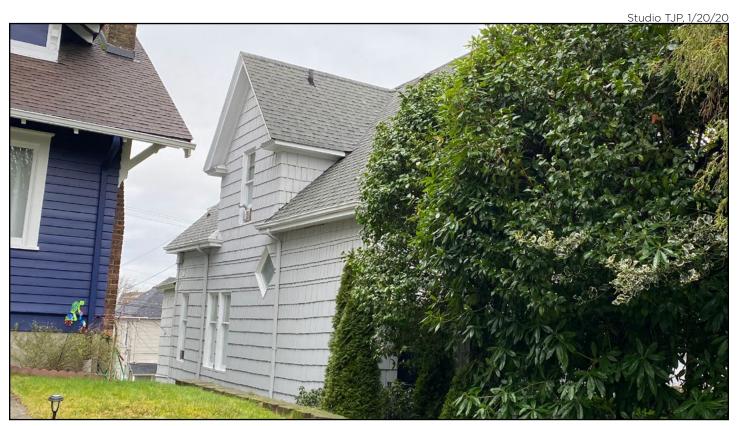


Figure 25 • 205 S Yakima, western façade



Figure 26 • 205 S Yakima, northern façade



Figure 27 • 205 S Yakima, view from Second Avenue





Figure 28 • 205 S Yakima, eastern façade

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Figure 29 • Building Inspection Record for 205 1/2 No. Yakima, now 205 N Yakima



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Figure 30 • Mural at Shake Shake, 124 N Tacoma Avenue, located in outdoor eating area off Second Street



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	7 0	ays	28	Days	Year ·	to Date			
Offense Breakdown	23-Mar-2020	22-Mar-2021	02-Mar-2020	01-Mar-2021	01-Jan-2020	01-Jan-2021	7 Days	28 Days	YTD
	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	27-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021			
Persons	62	64	277	250	875	842	3.2%▲	9.7%▼	3.8%▼
Assault	57	63	246	243	781	787	10.5%▲	1.2%▼	0.8%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	2	0	6	1	8	6	100.0%▼	83.3%▼	25.0%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	0	4	0	15	8	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	46.7%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	2	1	21	6	71	41	50.0%▼	71.4% ▼	42.3%▼
Property	347	257	1470	1385	4888	4548	25.9%▼	5.8%▼	7.0%▼
Arson	3	1	6	19	19	40	66.7%▼	216.7% ▲	110.5% ▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	29	27	133	156	443	475	6.9%▼	17.3% ▲	7.2%▲
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	1	12	5	39	26	0.0%	58.3%▼	33.3%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	113	67	412	384	1446	1223	40.7%▼	6.8%▼	15.4%▼
Fraud	13	7	61	34	239	118	46.2%▼	44.3%▼	50.6%▼
Larceny/Theft	146	84	656	509	2075	1758	42.5%▼	22.4%▼	15.3%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	29	46	142	205	439	704	58.6%▲	44.4% ▲	60.4%▲
Robbery	6	15	32	35	109	106	150.0% ▲	9.4% ▲	2.8%▼
Stolen Property	7	8	16	34	74	89	14.3%▲	112.5% ▲	20.3%▲
Society	12	9	53	31	250	152	25.0%▼	41.5%▼	39.2%▼
Drug/Narcotic	7	6	36	12	176	83	14.3%▼	66.7%▼	52.8%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	0	4	1	9	5	100.0%▼	75.0% ▼	44.4%▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	1	2	0.0%	NC	100.0%▲
Weapon Law Violations	4	3	13	17	64	62	25.0%▼	30.8% ▲	3.1%▼
Citywide Totals	421	330	1800	1666	6013	5542	21.6%▼	7.4% ▼	7.8%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 65.1% (41/63) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 39 DV-related offenses.
- 64.1% (25/39) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 39.7% (25/63) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 50 ≥ 39
- There was 1 Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 56 ≥ 36

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4502 S Steele St: 0 ↗ 7
- 425 South Tacoma Way: 0 7 5
- 7623 E D St: 0 7 4
- 315 Martin Luther King Jr Way: 1 ⊅ 4

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Street/Right Of Way: 48 ⊅ 62
- Single Family Residence: 59 ⊅ 60
- Parking Lot: 38 7 59
- Apartment: 28 ≥ 26
- Sporting Goods Store: 48 ≥ 11

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	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	27-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021			
Persons	19	19	67	59	232	211	0.0%	11.9%▼	9.1%▼
Assault	18	19	59	59	206	200	5.6% ▲	0.0%	2.9%▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	2	0	3	2	0.0%	100.0%▼	33.3%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	0	2	0	4	1	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	75.0%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	0	4	0	19	8	0.0%	100.0%▼	57.9%▼
Property	68	74	356	285	1123	979	8.8% ▲	19.9%▼	12.8%▼
Arson	0	0	3	6	6	12	0.0%	100.0% ▲	100.0%▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	5	7	35	33	91	103	40.0% ▲	5.7%▼	13.2%▲
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	0	2	1	8	6	100.0%▼	50.0%▼	25.0%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	25	18	106	74	395	296	28.0%▼	30.2%▼	25.1%▼
Fraud	1	2	11	9	35	25	100.0%▲	18.2%▼	28.6%▼
Larceny/Theft	32	20	164	89	482	334	37.5%▼	45.7%▼	30.7%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	18	27	54	80	154	500.0%▲	100.0% ▲	92.5%▲
Robbery	0	5	6	10	19	23	NC	66.7% ▲	21.1%▲
Stolen Property	1	3	2	7	7	22	200.0%▲	250.0% ▲	214.3%▲
Society	2	4	12	10	41	28	100.0%▲	16.7%▼	31.7%▼
Drug/Narcotic	1	3	9	3	32	15	200.0%▲	66.7%▼	53.1%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	1	1	1	1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Weapon Law Violations	1	1	2	6	8	12	0.0%	200.0% ▲	50.0%▲
Sector Totals	89	97	435	354	1396	1218	9.0% ▲	18.6% ▼	12.8%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 68.4% (13/19) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 8 DV-related offenses.
- 75.0% (6/8) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 31.6% (6/19) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 14 ≥ 8
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 6 ⊅ 13

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 610 Puyallup Ave: 0

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- 2611 E E St: 0 7 3
- 2367 Yakima Ct: 0 ↗ 3
- 565 Broadway: 0 7 3

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Street/Right Of Way: 11 7 23
- Parking Lot: 5 7 17
- Single Family Residence: 3 7 10
- Apartment: 10 ≥ 9
- Bus/Train Depot, Airport: 0 ⊅ 4

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	7 0	ays	28	Days	Year ·	to Date		28 Days	
Offense Breakdown	23-Mar-2020	22-Mar-2021	02-Mar-2020	01-Mar-2021	01-Jan-2020	01-Jan-2021	7 Days		YTD
	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	27-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021			
Persons	14	10	56	50	161	159	28.6%▼	10.7%▼	1.2%▼
Assault	11	9	49	49	142	146	18.2%▼	0.0%	2.8%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	2	0	2	0	2	1	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	50.0%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	0	0	3	2	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1	1	5	1	14	10	0.0%	80.0%▼	28.6%▼
Property	105	69	440	404	1417	1213	34.3%▼	8.2%▼	14.4%▼
Arson	1	1	1	3	1	6	0.0%	200.0% 🛦	500.0% ▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	6	7	28	36	127	114	16.7% ▲	28.6% ▲	10.2%▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	6	1	13	8	0.0%	83.3%▼	38.5%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	35	15	128	114	417	299	57.1%▼	10.9%▼	28.3%▼
Fraud	5	2	16	8	78	35	60.0%▼	50.0%▼	55.1%▼
Larceny/Theft	50	30	217	178	648	536	40.0%▼	18.0%▼	17.3%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	12	34	55	91	192	100.0% ▲	61.8% ▲	111.0% ▲
Robbery	2	2	8	5	30	14	0.0%	37.5%▼	53.3%▼
Stolen Property	0	0	2	4	11	9	0.0%	100.0% ▲	18.2%▼
Society	2	0	9	3	35	15	100.0%▼	66.7%▼	57.1%▼
Drug/Narcotic	1	0	6	1	29	4	100.0%▼	83.3%▼	86.2%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	1	0	2	1	0.0%	100.0%▼	50.0%▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Weapon Law Violations	1	0	2	2	4	10	100.0%▼	0.0%	150.0% ▲
Sector Totals	121	79	505	457	1613	1387	34.7%▼	9.5%▼	14.0%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 88.9% (8/9) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 5 DV-related offenses.
- 80.0% (4/5) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 44.4% (4/9) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 10 ≥ 5
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 22 ≥ 10

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 315 Martin Luther King Jr Way: 1 ≥ 4
- 720 6th Ave: 0 7 2
- There were an additional 7 locations with 2.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Parking Lot: 15 7 16
- Street/Right Of Way: 6 ⊅ 14
- Apartment: 9 ≥ 8
- Single Family Residence: 16 ≥ 7
- Department Store: 7 ≥ 4

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Offense Breakdown	23-Mar-2020	22-Mar-2021	02-Mar-2020	01-Mar-2021	01-Jan-2020	01-Jan-2021	7 Days	28 Days	YTD
	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	27-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021			
Persons	10	20	65	64	220	197	100.0%▲	1.5%▼	10.5%▼
Assault	10	20	60	61	199	183	100.0%▲	1.7% ▲	8.0%▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	2	1	3	1	0.0%	50.0%▼	66.7%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	0	5	2	0.0%	100.0%▼	60.0%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	0	2	2	13	11	0.0%	0.0%	15.4%▼
Property	68	61	322	348	1206	1216	10.3%▼	8.1% ▲	0.8%▲
Arson	0	0	0	4	5	9	0.0%	NC	80.0% ▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	9	10	40	46	114	119	11.1%▲	15.0% ▲	4.4%▲
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	4	1	11	8	0.0%	75.0% ▼	27.3%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	22	20	84	101	323	323	9.1%▼	20.2% ▲	0.0%
Fraud	3	1	14	10	54	29	66.7%▼	28.6%▼	46.3%▼
Larceny/Theft	27	16	137	125	536	484	40.7%▼	8.8%▼	9.7%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	5	10	31	51	111	190	100.0%▲	64.5% ▲	71.2% ▲
Robbery	1	3	7	5	30	34	200.0%▲	28.6%▼	13.3%▲
Stolen Property	1	1	5	5	20	18	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%▼
Society	6	3	15	8	77	60	50.0%▼	46.7%▼	22.1%▼
Drug/Narcotic	4	2	10	4	51	36	50.0%▼	60.0%▼	29.4%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	0	1	0	3	2	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	33.3%▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%▼
Weapon Law Violations	1	1	4	4	22	22	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sector Totals	84	84	402	420	1503	1473	0.0%	4.5% ▲	2.0%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 50.0% (10/20) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 12 DV-related offenses.
- 66.7% (8/12) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 40.0% (8/20) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 11 7 12
- There was no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 10 ≥ 4

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4502 S Steele St: 0 7 7
- 1613 S 40th St: 0 7 3
- 7601 S Hosmer St: 0 7 2
- There were an additional 10 locations with 2.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Single Family Residence: 15 ≥ 14
- Street/Right Of Way: 10 ↔ 10
- Apartment: 4 7 9
- Auto Related Business: 3 ⊅ 5
- Sporting Goods Store: 6 ≥ 5

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Offense Breakdown	23-Mar-2020	22-Mar-2021	02-Mar-2020	01-Mar-2021	01-Jan-2020	01-Jan-2021	7 Days	28 Days	YTD
	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	29-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021	27-Mar-2020	28-Mar-2021			
Persons	19	15	89	77	262	275	21.1%▼	13.5%▼	5.0%▲
Assault	18	15	78	74	234	258	16.7%▼	5.1%▼	10.3%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0%	0.0%	NC
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	0	3	3	0.0%	100.0%▼	0.0%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1	0	10	3	25	12	100.0%▼	70.0%▼	52.0%▼
Property	106	53	352	348	1142	1140	50.0%▼	1.1%▼	0.2%▼
Arson	2	0	2	6	7	13	100.0%▼	200.0% ▲	85.7% ▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	9	3	30	41	111	139	66.7%▼	36.7% ▲	25.2% ▲
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	1	0	2	7	4	NC	NC	42.9%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	31	14	94	95	311	305	54.8%▼	1.1% ▲	1.9%▼
Fraud	4	2	20	7	72	29	50.0%▼	65.0%▼	59.7%▼
Larceny/Theft	37	18	138	117	409	404	51.4%▼	15.2%▼	1.2%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	15	6	50	45	157	168	60.0%▼	10.0%▼	7.0% ▲
Robbery	3	5	11	15	30	35	66.7%▲	36.4% ▲	16.7% ▲
Stolen Property	5	4	7	18	36	40	20.0%▼	157.1% ▲	11.1%▲
Society	2	2	17	10	97	49	0.0%	41.2%▼	49.5%▼
Drug/Narcotic	1	1	11	4	64	28	0.0%	63.6%▼	56.3%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	1	0	3	1	0.0%	100.0%▼	66.7%▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0	2	0.0%	NC	NC
Weapon Law Violations	1	1	5	5	30	18	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%▼
Sector Totals	127	70	458	435	1501	1464	44.9%▼	5.0%▼	2.5%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 66.7% (10/15) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 14 DV-related offenses.
- 50.0% (7/14) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 46.7% (7/15) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 15 ≥ 14
- There was 1 Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 18 ≥ 9

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 7623 E D St: 0 7 4
- 6402 Yakima Ave: 0 7 3
- 5412 S K St: 0 7 2
- There were an additional 6 locations with 2.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Street/Right Of Way: 21 ≥ 15
- Parking Lot: 6 才 8
- Driveway: 2 ⊅ 3Sidewalk: 0 ⊅ 2
- Grocery Store: 4 ≥ 2
- Sporting Goods Store: 16 ≥ 2

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MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 9, 2021

TIME	MEETING	LOCATION
	Monday, April	L 5, 2021
5:30 PM	Tacoma Creates Advisory Board	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/85489242048
	•	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 854 8924 2048 Passcode: 241186
	TUESDAY, APRI	
9:00 AM	Hearing Examiner's Hearing *	Please visit https://cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer
9:00 AM	Police Pension/Disability Board	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/83878171505
	·	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 838 7817 1505 Passcode: 858492
10:00 am	Government Performance and Finance Committee	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/84416690206
		Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 844 1669 0206 Passcode: 614650
11:00 AM	Bid Opening**	Please visit http://www.tacomapurchasing.org
Noon	Joint City Council and Tacoma Public Library	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/89496171192
	Board of Trustees Study Session	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
	·	Meeting ID: 894 9617 1192 Passcode: 896569
5:00 PM	City Council Meeting	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/84834233126
	,	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126 Passcode: 349099
	WEDNESDAY, APA	
3:00 PM	Mayor's Youth Commission – Leadership Team	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/81791057813
	J	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 817 9105 7813 Passcode: 786070
3:00 PM	Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health	Please visit https://www.tpchd.org/i-want-to-/about-
	,	us/board-of-health/board-of-health-meetings
5:00 PM	Planning Commission	Please contact Lihuang Wung at <a cityoftacoma.org="" hearingexaminer"="" href="https://www.ncg.gov/lwung.</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>THURSDAY, APR</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>7:30 AM</td><td>Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board –</td><td>,</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>CANCELLED</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>9:00 AM</td><td>Hearing Examiner's Hearing *</td><td>Please visit https://cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer
10:30 AM	Tacoma Permit Advisory Task Force	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/89888724358
	•	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 898 8872 4358 Passcode: 193952
1:00 PM	Tacoma Employees' Retirement System Board Meeting	-
	- CANCELLED	
4:30 PM	Community Vitality and Safety Committee	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/85961604917
		Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 859 6160 4917 Passcode: 614650
5:00 PM	Land Use Public Meeting ***	Please contact Jana Magoon at <u>JMagoon@cityoftacoma.org</u>
	FRIDAY, APRIL	
8:00 AM	Joint Municipal Action Committee	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/84064886981
	•	Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782
		Meeting ID: 840 6488 6981
4:00 PM	Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities	Please contact Lucas Smiraldo at
· · · ·		lsmiraldo@cityoftacoma.org
L	Meeting sites are accessible to people with disabilities. Pe	ople with disabilities requiring special accommodations should



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^{*} Hearing Examiner's Hearings and Local Improvement District Meetings meet on an as-needed basis. Please contact the Hearing Examiner's Office at (253) 591-5195 to confirm whether a meeting will be held this week. Hearings may be held at various times throughout the day.

^{**} Bid Opening will be held on an as-needed basis. Please contact the Finance Procurement and Payables Office at 253-502-8468 or www.tacomapurchasing.org to confirm whether Bid Opening will be held.

^{***} Land Use Public Meetings meet on an as-needed basis. Please contact Planning Manager, Jana Magoon at (253) 594-7823 to confirm whether a meeting will be held this week.



CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST

TO: Deputy Mayor Blocker & Members of the City Council

FROM: Mayor Victoria Woodards and Chief Policy Analyst Melanie Harding

COPIES TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Tadd Wille, Deputy City Mgr.; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Council Consideration Request for an Ordinance Amending the State of Emergency related

to Homelessness and Committing to participation in the Countywide Efforts to End

Homelessness

DATE: March 24, 2021

I ask for your support for an Ordinance which would:

- Declare the Mayor and City Council's support of Pierce County and the Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness in their commitment to protect public health and safety by providing everyone experiencing homelessness a safe and secure space to sleep with resources to address their health and sanitation needs by November 2021, allowing sidewalks, parks, and right of ways to be available for those purposes they were designed to serve.
- Direct the City Manager or her designee to ensure appropriate city staff participation in Pierce County's Ad Hoc Committee, established to develop a countywide, Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness over the next six months.
- Amend the declaration of emergency and the emergency authority originally granted pursuant to Ordinance 28565 and as subsequently amended by Ordinance No. 28430, Ordinance No. 28457, Ordinance No. 28477, and Ordinance No. 28637 to add City Council review of the progress toward meeting the condition to end the declaration of emergency on an annual basis.

LEGISLATIVE INTENT:

The Mayor and City Council have increasingly been concerned around the number of people residing in makeshift shelters or vehicles in parks, streets, and other rights of way as well as the need to address the health, safety, and wellbeing of those vulnerable residents. These concerns have been mirrored by an increased number of constituent questions and concerns being expressed on this issue, which is reflected in number of TacomaFIRST 311 requests related to homelessness since the declaration of emergency was enacted in 2017.

To address these needs, the Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS) Department worked with community partners to bring 230 temporary shelter beds online over the winter and established new shelter space for up to 125 residents at 2 Temporary Emergency Micro Shelter sites administered by the Low Income Housing Institute. At the same time, shelter capacities have been reduced due to the need to provide additional space in order to safely shelter each guest. NCS has performed three encampment removals since March 2020 (these activities are significantly restricted by CDC guidance related COVID-19) and 194 litter/trash/debris cleanups in and around encampments.

The COVID-19 pandemic has heightened awareness and increased the level of concern with neighbors experiencing homelessness having access to resources to address their health and hygiene needs. Additionally, while there is currently rental assistance funding and potential state legislative action under development to address the issue, the eventual end of State and Federal eviction and foreclosure moratoria enacted in response to COVID-19 have the potential to compound existing issues related to housing and homelessness in unforeseen ways.

On Tuesday, March 23, 2021, the Pierce County adopted Resolution No. R2021-30s, establishing the "Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee" of ten members to facilitate further planning to end homelessness. In accordance with Pierce County Resolution No. R2021-30s, the City of Tacoma has been invited to identify a representative to participate in the Ad Hoc Committee established to develop a countywide "Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness" in no more than six months following passage of the County resolution. This work is moving quickly: The Pierce County Human Services Department is proceeding to establish an Ad Hoc Committee now to assist in developing an Action Plan to present to the Council on or before Friday, April 23. City participation in this County effort is anticipated to be covered with existing staff resources.

Simultaneously, while the City has been operating under the declaration of emergency outlined below, the City's Neighborhood and Community Services Department is currently developing a formal 5-year, Tacoma-specific strategy to address homelessness, to be substantially complete by September 2021. The effort will include outreach to key community stakeholders and the County, the Continuum of Care and the Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness. Key components of this plan include:

- Addressing racial disparities and systemic causes of homelessness;
- Amplifying regional collaborations, community partnerships, and the continuum of care;
- Aligning efforts with Affordable Housing Action Strategy; and
- Identifying trauma-informed interventions to meet needs of specific populations.

The resources for strategy development are included in the existing Neighborhood and Community Services Budget for the 2021-2022 biennium. Specific strategies identified as part of the 5-year City strategy to address homelessness may result in requests for mid-biennium budget modifications.

On May 9, 2017, the City Council enacted Ordinance No. 28430 (the "Emergency Ordinance") declaring a state of emergency related to the conditions of homeless encampments and authorizing such actions are reasonable and necessary to mitigate the conditions giving rise to the public emergency. Upon issuance of the declaration of emergency, the City began implementation of a Temporary Emergency Aid and Shelter Plan, which was formally approved by the City Council on June 9, 2017, with an estimated cost of \$3.4 million through December 2017.

On October 3, 2017, the City Council determined that the conditions giving rise to the public emergency were still present, and adopted Ordinance No. 28457, extending the declaration of emergency through December 31, 2017. On December 5, 2017, Council approved Ordinance No. 28477, extending the declaration of emergency to December 31, 2018, and authorizing additional expenditures of nearly \$7.0 million through the end of 2018. City Council approved Ordinance No. 28565, extending the declaration of emergency through the end of 2019, and providing continued funding for the Temporary Emergency Aid and Shelter Plan. On November 19, 2019, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 28637, adopting additional findings and extending the declaration of emergency to remain in effect until such time as there is shelter availability for 95 percent of unsheltered individuals in Tacoma as noted in the annual Point in Time Count. This Ordinance would require Mayor and Council review of the progress toward to meeting the condition to end the declaration of emergency on an annual basis.

Due to the County's fast pace on work of the Ad Hoc Committee established to develop a countywide "Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness" and the continuing and urgent needs for quick action on the part of the City, this ordinance will be presented to Council as 'emergency' legislation requiring only one reading and becoming effective upon passage.

DESIRED ORDINANCE DATE:	April 6,	2021

ALIGNMENT WITH TACOMA 2025 KEY FOCUS AREAS:

This legislation, program, project, or event is best aligned with the following (Check all that apply):

Livability: *Equity Index Score*: Moderate Opportunity

Improve health outcomes and reduce disparities, in alignment with the community health needs assessment and CHIP, for all Tacoma residents

Improve access and proximity by residents to diverse income levels and race/ethnicity to community facilities, services, infrastructure, and employment.

In you have a question related to the Council Consideration Request, please contact Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor Melanie Harding at 253-591-5156 or melanie.harding@cityoftacoma.org.

	Mayor	•
SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:	Mulodards	

SUPPORTING COUNCIL MEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)

(Signatures demonstrate support to initiate discussion and consideration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy development and staff guidance/direction.)

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TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager

FROM: Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker and Council Member Catherine Ushka

COPY: City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT: Resolution - Gun Violence Prevention Contingency Fund Request - March 30, 2021

DATE: 3/24/2021

SUMMARY & PURPOSE:

A resolution directing the City Manager to allocate \$25,000 from the City Council Contingency Fund in order to hire a facilitator to convene workgroups to determine best practices for funding gun violence prevention efforts, and hire a research team to review best practices to address gun and youth violence reduction.

[Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker and Council Member Catherine Ushka]

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker and Council Member Catherine Ushka

BACKGROUND:

This Council Member's Recommendation is Based On:

The City Council is committed to reducing violent offences, which includes gun violence. Of the 29 homicides in 2020, 21 involved a handgun or other firearm. From 2014 to 2018, there was an increase of 37 percent in the number of criminal offenses in Tacoma involving firearms. We must invest in gun violence prevention, which starts with investing funds in this research and community engagement.

Research Scope of Work:

- Research gun violence prevention programs (to include youth and young adult violence prevention) and identify
 financially sustainable best practices designed to save lives and promote community healing
- Research strategies to empower Tacoma communities impacted by gun violence, potentially in partnership with other agencies and entities, to support healing and increase resiliency
 - Identify strategies for how City of Tacoma and community members can work together to reduce gun violence
- Research and recommend resources and programming designed to prevent and reduce gun-related violence amongst youth and young adults
- Recommend state and federal legislative priorities and other measures (that can be led locally) to improve gun safety and prevent gun-related violence
- Identify any other programs, best practices and other practices used in other cities to reduce gun violence
- Review potential sustainable funding/revenue sources for the City to consider to use towards gun violence reduction programs
- Impact of gun violence on race and the disparate impacts on persons of color

Workgroup Facilitation Scope of Work:

- Hire outside facilitator to conduct 5-7 focus group discussions with various stakeholders
- Develop report identifying areas of consensus and key areas of divergence for Council consideration
- Recommended Participants:
 - o Tuff Love Intervention provider
 - o Consejo Counseling and Referral Services provider
 - o Safe Streets provider



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- o Tacoma Pierce County Health Department provider and community partner
- Puyallup Tribe community partner
- o YWCA provider
- o Coleman & Associates provider
- o Health Department
- o Tacoma Police Department
- o Tacoma Public Schools
- o Alliance for Gun Responsibility
- o Tacoma Cease Fire Community Group
- o Gun Manufacturers (1)
- o Gun Retailers (7)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

The community has called on Council to take action to address gun violence. Council Members have heard from individuals and their families impacted directly, as well as from neighbors in communities where gun violence decreases safety and wellbeing. Council Members have dedicated years to meeting with community group and supporting community led actions and have heard the need for the City to dedicate resources to addressing the root causes of gun violence in Tacoma.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

Gun violence has disparate impacts on communities. Three quarters of all murders and approximately half of all suicides in the United States in 2017 involved a firearm. Every year, 600 American women are shot to death by intimate partners, and of all women shot to death by others in the United States, half were shot by their intimate partners. Black Americans are disproportionately impacted by gun violence. They experience nearly 10 times the gun homicides and 15 times the gun assaults as white Americans. Gun violence prevention is an equity issue.

Civic Engagement: *Equity Index Score*: Moderate Opportunity

Increase the percentage of residents who believe they are able to have a positive impact on the community and express trust in the public institutions in Tacoma. Select an indicator.

Livability: *Equity Index Score*: Moderate Opportunity

Improve health outcomes and reduce disparities, in alignment with the community health needs assessment and CHIP, for all Tacoma residents

Increase positive public perception of safety and overall quality of life.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative	Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts
1. Do not pass this resolution	Save money for other Council	City's knowledge on gun
	priorities	violence prevention best
		practices remains limited



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2. Allocate funds to gun violence prevention efforts instead of research	Immediate positive impact	City may be investing in less impactful programming
3. Allocate a larger sum of	More robust research and	Cost estimates suggest more
funds to this effort	community outreach	funds aren't needed

EVALUATIONS AND FOLLOW UP:

The outcomes of the research and outreach should be reported to the City Council by the end of 2021.

COUNCIL MEMBER RECOMMENDATION:

Sponsors recommend adoption of this resolution in order to fund research and outreach efforts to determine equitable best practices the City of Tacoma can engage in to prevent gun violence and improve the overall safety and quality of life in Tacoma.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Please provide a short summary of the fiscal impacts associated with the grant, agreement, policy action, or other action.

Fund Number & Name	Cost Object (cc/wbs/order)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1. Council Contingency	660000		\$25,000
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TOTAL			\$25,000

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

Council Contingency

Are the expenditures and revenues budgeted in this biennium's current budget? No, Please explain below

Council Contingency Funds are explicitly set aside for expenditures not planned and budgeted in the biennial budget.

Are there financial costs or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact? No

Will the legislation change the city's FTE/personnel counts? No

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A



RESOLUTION NO.

BY REQUEST OF DEPUTY MAYOR BLOCKER AND COUNCIL MEMBER USHKA

A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$25,000, for the purpose of supporting gun violence prevention efforts in the City of Tacoma; and directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute agreements with (1) a facilitator, to convene workgroups to determine best practices for funding gun violence prevention efforts; and (2) a research team, to review best practices to address gun and youth violence reduction.

WHEREAS the City Council is committed to reducing violent offenses, including gun violence, and

WHEREAS, from 2014 to 2018, there was a 37 percent increase in the number of criminal offenses in Tacoma involving firearms; and of the 29 homicides in 2020, 21 involved a handgun or other firearm, and

WHEREAS 75 percent of all murders and approximately half of all suicides in the United States involved a firearm, and

WHEREAS, after years of meeting with community groups and supporting community-led actions, the City Council has heard the community's need for the City to dedicate resources to addressing the root causes of gun violence in Tacoma, and

WHEREAS a Council Consideration Request was shared to authorize the one-time use of Council Contingency funds in the amount of \$25,000 for the purpose of supporting gun violence prevention efforts, and

WHEREAS this funding will provide for (1) a facilitator, to convene workgroups to determine best practices for funding gun violence prevention





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efforts; and (2) a research team, to review best practices to address gun and youth violence reduction efforts, and

WHEREAS the workgroup facilitation scope of work will include (1) conducting 5-7 focus group discussions with various stakeholders, and (2) preparing a report identifying areas of consensus and key areas of divergence for City Council consideration, and

WHEREAS the research team scope of work will include (1) researching gun violence prevention efforts and identifying financially sustainable best practices designed to save lives and promote community healing; (2) researching strategies to empower Tacoma communities impacted by gun violence, potentially in partnership with other agencies and entities, to support healing and increase resiliency, and identifying strategies for how the City and community members can work together to reduce gun violence; (3) researching and recommending resources and programming designed to prevent and reduce gun-related violence among youth and young adults; (4) recommending state and federal legislative priorities, as well as other measures which can be led locally, to improve gun safety and prevent gun-related violence; (5) identifying programs, best practices, and practices used in other cities to reduce gun violence; (6) reviewing potential sustainable funding and revenue sources to be used towards gun violence reduction programs; and (7) the impact of gun violence on race and the disparate impacts on persons of color, and

WHEREAS the outcomes of the research and outreach efforts will be shared with the City Council by the end of 2021, and



WHEREAS RCW 35.33.145 and 35.34.250 authorize a withdrawal from the Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of adopting the budget, and

WHEREAS the need for gun violence prevention efforts could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time the City adopted its biennial budget, and

WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That one-time funding in the amount of \$25,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of supporting gun violence prevention and gun and youth violence reduction efforts.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to negotiate and execute agreements with (1) a facilitator to convene workgroups to determine best practices for funding gun violence prevention efforts; and (2) a research team to review best practices to address gun and youth violence reduction, outlining the scope of work and deliverables outlined in Section 1.



1	Section 5. That the outcomes of the research	and outreach efforts shall be
2	shared with the City Council by the end of 2021.	
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Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
April 6, 2021	Joint City Council Tacoma Library Board Study Session (dial-in 12:00 pm)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Kate Larson	Library staff will review Library Board Strategic goal alignment and provide departmental updates.
		Historic Designation 201 N Yakima	Reuben McKnight & Kevin Bartoy.	Staff will provide the Council background on the Landmarks Preservation Commission's recommendations to Council regarding the designation of 201 N Yakima to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, including an overview of the Commission's deliberations and discussion at the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee on February 10, 2021. A resolution is scheduled for Council on April 13, 2021.
		Recommendations for Expansion of Hygiene Stations at Existing Encampments	Neighborhood and Community Services - Linda Stewart	Staff will discuss recommendations for expansion of hygiene stations at existing encampments.
		Other items of Interest- Council Consideration Requests; Emergency Homelessness & Gun Violence	Mayor Victoria Woodards & Council Member Catherine Ushka	Mayor and City Council Members will be discussing two Council Consideration Requests.
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			
April 13, 2021	City Council Study Session (dial-in 12:00 pm)	Equity in Contracting	Community and Economic Development Department	Staff will present the annual EIC report, present a Resolution Request and an Ordinance to request clarification in the appeal process.

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
			Development Department - Felicia Medlen	The purpose of this request is to provide the City Council an opportunity to review and comment on funding recommendations and/or planned activities for the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) for the upcoming program year, beginning July 1, 2021
			Neighborhood and Community Services - Linda Stewart	HIIV 1 7071
	*Committee of the Whole (dial-in 3-4 pm)	American Rescue Plan Update	City Manager's Office	Staff will provide an update on the American Action Plan funding.
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			
April 20, 2021	City Council Study Session (dial-in 12:00 pm)	•	Department of Corrections -Mark Kucza	
		21st Century Policing Solutions Recommendations for the Tacoma Police Department		
		Systems Transformation		City Manager Elizabeth Pauli will be giving an update on Systems Transformation.
		*Executive Session 60 minutes-City Manager Presents Self-Evaluation	Human Resources	
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
April 27, 2021	, , ,	Fossil Fuel Study and Tideflats and Industrial Lands Regulations	Services	Non-interim Tideflats and Industrial Land Use Amendments. In preparation for a public hearing scheduled on April 27, 2021, staff will provide an overview of the Planning Commission's recommended amendments to replace the Tideflats Interim Regulations, the public process and comments, and key findings of fact supporting the recommendation. Staff will provide an update on the fossil fuel baseline report to support the Council's discussion of the proposed zoning and land use amendments.
		American Rescue Plan Update	City Manager's Office & Office of Finance Management and Budget	
		Vision Zero Update	Public Works	
		* Executive Session 90 minutes-City Manager Performance Review Council Provides Input to Mayor	Human Resources	
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
May 4, 2021	City Council Study Session (dial-in 12:00pm		Services	Non-interim Tideflats and Industrial Land Use Amendments. In preparation for first reading of ordinance on May 4, 2021, staff will provide an overview of the public comments received as part of the public hearing on April 20, 2021 as well as options for Council to consider in response to public testimony. Staff will provide an update on the fossil fuel baseline report to support the Council's discussion of the proposed zoning and land use amendments.
		1 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	Staff will provide the annual updates for Historic Preservation Program and activities.
			Office of Equity and Human Rights & Office of Finance Management and Budget	
			City Manager's Office	City Manager Elizabeth Pauli will be giving an update on Systems Transformation.
		Executive Session 60 minutes-City Manager Performance Review Mayor and City Council Conduct Performance Review	Human Resources	
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 12:00 PM)			

	Community Vitality and Safety				
Committee Members: U Alternate-Hunter	Committee Members: Ushka (Chair), Beale, Hines, Blocker, Alternate-Hunter		CBC Assignments: Citizen Police Advisory Committee • Human Services Commission •		
	a Stewart; Staff Support - Ted	4:30 p.m.	Human Rights Commission • Housing Authority		
Richardson		Room 248	Commission on Disabilities Library Board		
	Topic	Presenter	Description		
April 8, 2021	Interviews for the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs	Doris Sorum, City Clerk			
April 22, 2021	The Strategic Alliance to end Domestic Violence	Linda Stewart, NCS Director and Heather Moss, Director of Human Services for Pierce County	Presentation of the final report from the Strategic Alliance to end Domestic Violence		
	Body worn camera update and future project prioritization		Update on the current status of TPD's body worn camera program, and initial evaluation of potential future project phases to be considered for prioritization.		
May 13, 2021		Doris Sorum, City Clerk			
	Graffiti Update	Linda Stewart, NCS Director			
	Update on Community Trauma Response	Vicky McLaurin - NCS Program			
May 21, 2021	Team	Manager			

	Government Perf	ormance and Finance Committee	
Committee Members: Hines (vice chair), Hunter (chair), Thoms, and Walker Alternate - Blocker		1st and 3rd Tuesday	CBC Assignments: •Public Utility Board
Executive Liaison: Andy Cherullo; Staff Support - Ted Richardson		10 a.m.	•Board of Ethics •Audit Advisory Board •Civil Service Board
		Room 248	
April 6, 2021	Election of GPFC Chair		
	Advanced Electric and Water Meters: Program Update	Joe Tellez, Tacoma Public Utilities Chief Technology Officer; Andre Pedeferri, Advanced Meter Program Manager; Matt Hubbard, Advanced Meter Program Workstream and Change Management Lead	TPU will be providing an informational briefing on the Advance Metering Project.
April 20, 2021	NCS Mental Health Tax	Vicky McLaurin - NCS Program Manager	Update on expenditures of the 1/10th of 1% sales tax dedicated to mental health
	Power Financial Plan Review	Bill Berry, Section Manager Power; Erin Erben, Assistant Section Manager, Power; Jodi Collins, Assistant Section Manager, Water; Lyna Vo, Sr Utility Economist, Water; Michelle Brown, Power Analyst, Power	Overview of the Water and Power utilities' 2021 Financing Plans, including a proposed calendar of upcoming financing plans.
May 18, 2021	Interviews for the Public Utility Board	Doris Sorum, City Clerk	

	Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee			
Beale, & Hunter; Alternate-Ushka		2nd and 4th Wednesdays 4:30pm Virtual Meeting	CBC Assignments: •Sustainable Tacoma Commission •Planning Commission •Landmarks Preservation Commission •Board of Building Appeals •Transportation Commission	
	Topic	Presenters	Description	
April 14, 2021	6 YR Transportation Improvement Program	Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer, Public Works	Proposed Amendments - Public Works Staff will provide a presentation on the annual Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program Amendments, which includes proposed staff project additions, completions, and deletions.	
	Puyallup Ave Transit/Complete Streets Improvement Project Update	Mark D'Andrea, Project Manager, Public Works	Briefly review the project's conceptual design, and discuss ongoing stakeholder communication, grant acceptance, project funding and schedule.	
April 28, 2021	6 YR Transportation Improvement Program	Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer, Public Works	Draft Final Proposed Amendments - Public Works Staff will provide a presentation on the annual Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program Amendments, which includes incorporation of feedback from the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee meeting on April 14, 2021.	
	Streets Initiative Update	Erik Sloan, Pavement Manager, Public Works	An informational update on the City's Streets Initiative project.	
May 12, 2021	Construction/Major Capital Project Update	Eric Johnson, Assistant Division Manager, Environmental Services	Environmental Services will present an informational briefing on current construction and major capital projects.	

		Beth Jarot, Resilient & Green Building Specialist, Kristin Lynett, Sustainability Officer, and Jim Parvey OEPS Division Manager	Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability will report on progress of the Climate Action Plan (EAP 2.0) and the Climate Adaptation Study. The two documents are separate but closely related. The presentation will discuss draft technical strategies, financial modelling, community engagement efforts, and timelines. Feedback on draft mitigation and adaptation strategies, engagement plans and communication is requested.
May 26, 2021	Planning Commission interviews	Doris Sorum, City Clerk	
	Active Transportation Update + Bike Boulevards		Informational briefing and update on the City's active transportation modes and bike boulevards.

Economic Development Committee			
Committee Members: Thoms (chair), Blocker, McCarthy, Ushka, Alternate-Beale		2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. Virtual meeting	CBC Assignments: •Tacoma Arts Commission •Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District •City Events and Recognition Committee •Tacoma Creates Advisory Board
	Topic	Presenter	Description
April 13, 2021	TBD		
April 27, 2021	Broadband – How it is Working for Tacoma's Residents, Businesses and Schools	Jeff Robinson, Community & Economic Development	Representatives of the Tacoma Public Schools and Rainier Connect will discuss the current state of broadband access and connectivity in the City; how it impacts on-line learning; assists local businesses; and measures or improvements that might be helpful to furthering both objectives.
	Outdoor business options (sidewalk cafes, parklets, street eateries)	Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer, Public Works Department, and Jana Magoon, Planning Manager, Planning & Development Services	An update on the City's outdoor dining, retail, and business options during the COVID-19 declaration of emergency, and future outdoor use policy options.
May 11, 2021	CERC Committee Interviews	Doris Sorum, City Clerk	