



WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

June 3, 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 May 31, 2021.
2. Council Member Lillian Hunter provides the attached **Council Action Memorandum for Alling Park**.
3. Mayor Victoria Woodards provides the attached **Council Action Memorandums for Tacoma Reads, Heal the Heart Core Coordinating Team and Commercial Shipping and Storage Containers**.
4. City-funded Temporary and Emergency Shelter Performance: The City posts weekly information about its Temporary and Emergency Shelter locations including current census, number of available beds and exits to housing. **This information can be found at <https://cms.cityoftacoma.org/NCS/City%20Authorized%20Emergency%20Shelter%20Sites/Weeklydataupdate.pdf> and is updated weekly.**
5. Senior Meal Delivery: 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 384 meals for the week of May 24-28, 2021.**
6. Tacoma Public Utilities provides the attached **June 9, 2021 Public Utility Board Meeting agenda, please note no items will be going to Council**.
7. Please see the attached City of Tacoma **Weekly Meeting Schedule**.
8. Police Chief Michael Ake provides the attached **Weekly Crime Report**.
9. Hygiene Station Pilot at 8th and Yakima: The City is currently operating temporary hygiene stations at 8th and Yakima on private property and I-705 and 'A' Street on WSDOT-owned property. **These temporary stations provide restrooms, handwashing stations, trash removal and 24/7 on site security.** The costs associated with operation of the station on WSDOT property is covered by the City's funding agreement with WSDOT to address encampments on WSDOT right of way and properties.

10. South 69th and Proctor Micro-shelter Site: As discussed at Council Study Session on May 11th, **the City plans to establish a micro-shelter location on City-controlled property at S. 69th and Proctor. Staff is beginning the site planning process and expect the location to be operational in mid-September.** The property at S. 69th and Proctor will allow for the relocation of 50 micro-shelter units currently located at E. 60th and McKinley and expansion of up to 20 additional units. Staff will attend the South Tacoma Neighborhood Council meeting on June 16th, the South Tacoma Neighborhood Business District meeting on June 17th and host a community listening session on June 23rd. Information on attending the listening session will be mailed to nearby properties the week of June 7th and interested community members may also visit www.cityoftacoma.org/authorizedencampments for meeting information and to subscribe to the City's listserv to receive updates on this micro-shelter location. **If community members have questions or concerns about either of the hygiene station locations, they should contact 253-250-1766. More information on hygiene stations is available at www.cityoftacoma.org/hygienestations.**
11. Rental Assistance Update: **The rental assistance portal is 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 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. To date, 55% of households served by the 2021 program are headed by persons of color. Through May 31, 2021, the City's funding has supported 160 households and provided \$896,119 in rental assistance. The City has also provided 147 households with \$159,646 in utility assistance through May 28, 2021. The City's Rental Assistance Fund at the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation has received 27 gifts totaling \$29,820.

STUDY SESSION/WORK SESSION

12. The **City Council Study Session** of Tuesday, June 8, 2021, will be conducted through Zoom conference. The public can watch the meeting at: vtacoma.com. Discussion items will include: (1) **Home in Tacoma Initiative Discussion**; (2) **American Rescue Plan Fund Update**; (3) **Other Items of Interest – Council Member Beale Amendment to the 6-year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program**; (4) **Committee Reports**; (5) **Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report.**

On our first agenda item, Planning and Development Services staff will **seek direction regarding the City Council review process and timeline for the Home In Tacoma Project and will propose a potential review timeline.** They will also give an overview of upcoming public notification and informational efforts.

On our second agenda item, Office of Management and Budget staff will provide an **update on the American Rescue Plan funding.**

Under other items of Interest, the following item will be discussed:

- Council Member Beale – An amendment to the 6-year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program.

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 currently.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Pauli
City Manager

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Purchase Contract Awards
For Weekly Report to the City Manager

Week of May 31, 2021

Specification	Description	Awardee	Amount
PW20-0360F	Streets Initiative Package #33	Northwest Cascade, Inc.	\$467,467.00, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$560,960.40, plus any applicable taxes
ES20-0157F	Liquid Aluminum Sulfate for the North End Treatment Plant	Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC	\$398,930.00, sales tax not applicable, for an initial two-year period with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$997,325.00



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City Manager Action Memorandum

TO: Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer *KDK*
Nick Correll, Project Manager, Public Works Engineering
COPY: City Manager, City Council, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and
Tina Eide, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Streets Initiative Package #33
Request for Bids Specification No. PW20-0360F, Contract No. CW2242834
DATE: May 13, 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 delegee.

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Public Works Department recommends a contract be awarded to Northwest Cascade, Inc, Puyallup, WA, in the amount of \$467,467.00, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$560,960.40, plus any applicable taxes, budgeted from the 1085 PW Streets Initiative Fund, for the restoration of approximately 0.4 miles of roadway, construction of ADA curb ramps, and the construction of approximately 670 linear feet of missing link sidewalk.

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.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

By repaving the roadway surface, constructing the missing link sidewalk, and upgrading curb ramps to ADA compliance, this project ensures that residents have safe, equitable access to East 56th Street and Swan Creek Park, both by vehicular and pedestrian travel. This project takes special care to avoid wetland areas and preserve the nature of Swan Creek Park. This project has support from the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma and ties into the City's Pipeline Trail network.

BACKGROUND:

The citizens of Tacoma approved the Street Initiatives (Proposition A and Proposition No. 3) in November 2015, approving funding to repair and improve City streets. The 2015 Voted Street Initiative Fund 1085 was created and approved by the City Council under Ordinance No. 28344 on February 9, 2016. This fund provides for arterial street improvements, non-motorized improvements, and residential street repairs.

ISSUE: Currently the roadway surface is in poor condition due to its age. Non-ADA-compliant curb ramps exist at the intersections within project limits. There is missing link sidewalk between the Prairie Line Trail head and the Swan Creek Park entrance along the north side of the roadway.



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This project will repave the entire roadway surface and upgrade all curb ramps to meet ADA compliance, in addition to constructing the missing link sidewalk between the Pipeline Trail head and the Swan Creek Park entrance.

ALTERNATIVES: The alternative to this project is to continue patching the roadway surface instead of restoring it, to leave the curb ramps non-compliant with ADA standards, and to leave the missing link sidewalk unconstructed as a dirt path, which does not support safe and equitable pedestrian and vehicle travel for Tacoma residents, and would not meet the intent of the voter-approved Initiative.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Bids Specification No. PW20-0360F was opened March 31, 2021. No companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Three (3) submittals were received.

** Rainier Asphalt Sealing, LLC were deemed non-responsive due to failing to meet the mandatory Equity in Contracting (EIC) goals. Northwest Cascade, Inc and Tucci & Sons, Inc met or exceeded the requirements for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Women's Business Enterprise (WBE), and Small Business Enterprise (SBE).

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

<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Submittal Amount</u>
Northwest Cascade, Inc	Puyallup, WA	\$ 467,467.00
Rainier Asphalt Sealing, LLC**	North Bend, WA	\$ 491,720.00
Tucci & Sons, Inc	Tacoma, WA	\$ 527,826.00

Pre-bid Estimate: \$441,220

The recommended award is 5.9 percent above the pre-bid estimate.

Based on the estimated 60 working days, staff believes this project will result in 1,866 labor hours.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: The project will improve the City's infrastructure and safety of residents by providing a new driving surface for motorized and non-motorized travel and constructing missing link sidewalk for pedestrian traffic. ADA curb ramps will be installed as part of the contract addressing social equity factors, including ergonomic and human health impacts.

EIC/LEAP COMPLIANCE: The recommended contractor is in compliance with the EIC Regulation requirements per memorandum dated April 2, 2021. The EIC requirements for this project are MBE 9 percent, WBE 8 percent, and SBE 17 percent. The EIC utilization levels of the recommended contractor, Northwest Cascade, Inc are MBE 17.43 percent, WBE 11.77 percent, and SBE 17.43 percent. The Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program (LEAP) requirements are Local Employment Goal of 15 percent.



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FISCAL IMPACT:**EXPENDITURES:**

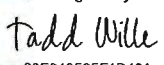
FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1085 PW Streets Initiative Fund	PWK-00434-33-03	5330100	\$560,960.40
TOTAL			Up to \$560,960.40

REVENUES:


FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Streets Initiative Revenues	663020	Various	\$560,960.40
TOTAL			\$560,960.40


FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$560,960.40**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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City Manager Action Memorandum

TO: Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager or designee
FROM: Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services
Hugh Messer, Division Manager, Operations and Maintenance
COPY: City Manager, City Council, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator,
Josiah Rowell, Warehouse Supervisor, and Samol Hefley, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Liquid Aluminum Sulfate for the North End Treatment Plant –
Request for Bid Specification No. ES20-0157F
DATE: April 29, 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 Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC., Parsippany, NJ, in the amount of \$398,930.00, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the ES Wastewater Fund 4300, for an initial two-year period with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$997,325.00, for Liquid Aluminum Sulfate used in processing wastewater and surface water at the North End Treatment Plant.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

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

Liquid Aluminum Sulfate causes solids to flock together, enhancing settling of solids. This is required for the treatment process at the North End Treatment Plant (NETP). Treatment of wastewater and surface water is vital to environmental stewardship, ensuring a safe and healthy city, and securing a contract for this chemical ensures best financial stewardship for the ratepayers.

BACKGROUND:

The NETP requires shipments of approximately 4,900 to 5,000 gallons of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate every month. Since 2003, the price has been \$1.00 per gallon; however, in early 2020 the vendor increased the price to \$1.14 per gallon. With this increase, a single purchase would be over the allowed purchasing threshold requiring the need for a contract.

ISSUE: Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC. has been supplying Liquid Aluminum Sulfate to the NETP since 2010, at which time the price per gallon was at \$0.97. In 2013, they increased the price per gallon to \$1.00. In early 2020, the price was scheduled to increase to \$1.14 per gallon. At approximately 5,000 gallons per month, this price increase necessitates a contract in order to ensure compliance with the City of Tacoma's Purchasing Policy Manual, specifically purchasing threshold limits.



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ALTERNATIVES: The NETP uses a chemical treatment process as opposed to a biological process; using Liquid Aluminum Sulfate for the treatment process is the only known course of action. No alternatives, short of changing the entire treatment process, exist at this time.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION: Request for Bid Specification No. ES20-0157F was opened May 20, 2020. Eight companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Two submittals were received.

Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC. submitted a bid that resulted in the lowest evaluated submittal. The table below reflects the amount of the initial contract term. The table below reflects the amount of the initial contract term.

<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Location</u> (city and state)	<u>Submittal Amount</u>
Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC.	Parsippany, NJ	\$398,930.00
TriiSO, LLC	Cardiff, CA	\$875,000.00

Pre-bid Estimate: \$350,000.00

The recommended award is 12.27 percent above the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: The use of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate causes solids to flock together, enhancing settling of solids. This is required for the treatment process at the NETP resulting in treated water being returned to Commencement Bay.

EIC/LEAP COMPLIANCE: Not applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Wastewater Fund 4300	525300	5216070	\$997,325.00
TOTAL			Up to \$997,325.00

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Wastewater Fund 4300	523900	4343150	\$997,325.00
TOTAL			\$997,325.00



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FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$ 398,930.00

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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TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Council Member Lillian Hunter and Council Assistant Claire Goodwin
COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Safe Streets Fireworks Outreach at Alling Park – June 8, 2021
DATE: May 26, 2021

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution authorizing the use of \$1,500 from the Council Contingency Fund to support neighborhood outreach around Alling Park to address illegal use of fireworks by the Safe Streets Campaign, a grassroots organization that unites and inspires neighbors, youth, and businesses to build safe, healthy, and thriving communities.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Council Member Lillian Hunter and Council Member Chris Beale

BACKGROUND:

Neighbors around and near Alling Park in the South End have been trying to address the rampant illegal use of fireworks around the July 4th holiday every year. In combination with the anticipated passage of the ordinance to increase the penalty of illegal use of fireworks from a Class 2 civil infraction to a Class 1 civil infraction, this Council Contingency Fund request will provide the on-the-ground community outreach necessary to bring awareness of the dangers of illegal use of fireworks.

The Safe Streets Campaign specializes in engaging with community and established neighborhood groups to assist in mobilizing for a specific outreach event or cause. The Safe Streets Campaign will work with the local neighborhood group to bring awareness of the new legislation, educate neighbors on the risk to property and life of fireworks, and promote public safety in the lead-up to the July 4th holiday and the weeks after if deemed helpful. The funding will support any needed supplies for a thorough outreach effort to the neighborhood.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

In collaboration between the Safe Streets Campaign and residents near Alling Park, a small ad hoc group has been organizing to create a pilot program to help reduce illegal use of fireworks leading up to the July 4th holiday and the day-of. This is a community-led effort in a neighborhood that has been historically under-resourced.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility: (Mandatory)

This resolution will advance public safety through neighborhood community outreach led by the local community in a historically underserved neighborhood. Alling Park falls under a “low” opportunity designation based on the City’s Equity Index.

Civic Engagement: Equity Index Score: Low 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.

Livability: Equity Index Score: Low Opportunity

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



Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

This resolution will 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 by supporting this effort financially and other assistance provided by the Tacoma Fire Department in response to an ongoing community-identified problem of wide-spread illegal use of fireworks around the July 4th holiday. This resolution will also increase positive public perception of safety and overall quality of life by reducing a public safety hazard and empowering residents to impact the issue.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. No action	Funding would be available for other Council-initiated requests	The Alling Park community would not benefit from an organized effort to attempt to reduce the illegal use of fireworks in the neighborhood.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

Success is defined as the neighborhood group being equipped with the necessary supplies to conduct an impactful outreach around Alling Park and this funding will support that work.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

The recommendation is to authorize the use of \$1,500 from the Council Contingency Fund to support neighborhood outreach around Alling Park to address illegal use of fireworks by the Safe Streets Campaign.



FISCAL IMPACT:

This has a fiscal impact of \$1,500 budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund.

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1. 1030 – Council Contingency Fund	660000		\$1,500
TOTAL			\$1,500

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

COUNCIL CONTINGENCY FUND

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium's current budget?

YES

The Council Contingency Fund is provided an established amount of funding each year available for Council-sponsored initiatives.

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

YES

Other impacts of not implementing this resolution include ongoing illegal use of fireworks around Alling Park with no attempted mitigation.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts?

No

The resolution funds community outreach by a non-profit and neighborhood community group.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution



TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Melanie Harding, Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor, City Manager's Office
COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Council Contingency funds for 2021 Tacoma Reads – June 8, 2021
DATE: June 1, 2021

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution allocating \$10,000 in City Council Contingency Funds to support the 2021 Tacoma Reads programming and events.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker, and Councilmember Kristina Walker

BACKGROUND:

"Tacoma Reads" is our beloved, local community reads program, where the larger community is encouraged to read, think, and discuss compelling and meaningful themes from a selected book. The City works with Tacoma Public Library to select titles for adult, young adult, and children and their families around a shared theme; develop programming; and arrange for a Tacoma event with the author of the adult selection. This year, in partnership with the support of the Tacoma Urban League as our primary event sponsor, the following titles have been selected:

The children's selection for the 2021 Tacoma Reads program is Jacqueline Woodson's The Day You Begin, a beautifully illustrated picture book about finding the courage to connect even when you feel scared and alone.

For young adults, this year's selection is A Good Kind of Trouble by Lisa Moore Ramee, about a young woman who learns about family, friendship, and standing up for what's right

The 2021 adult title is the #1 New York Times Bestseller Caste by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Isabel Wilkerson. In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings. Tacoma Reads programming will include a virtual event with Isabel Wilkerson that is tailored to the Tacoma community.

In alignment with Resolution No. 40622, the 2021 Tacoma Reads will engage the community in conversations and programming that explore the topics of race, social justice, and healing. Tacoma Urban League is providing a sponsorship of \$25,000 to expand on the programming for this year's titles. If approved, this would mark the third year that the City Council has provided a \$10,000 sponsorship of Tacoma Reads. This support has expanded Tacoma Reads to include titles for readers of all ages and allowed a broader range of outreach and greater community conversation on the selected titles, even as Tacoma Public Library has moved to virtual programming.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

In alignment with Resolution No. 40622 and after careful review, the 2021 Tacoma Reads titles were chosen to engage the community in conversations and programming that explore the topics of race, social justice, and healing, and they have the support of the program's primary sponsor.



2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility: (Mandatory)

In alignment with Resolution No. 40622, the 2021 Tacoma Reads titles were chosen to engage the community in conversations and programming that explore the topics of race, social justice, and healing.

This legislation, program, project, or event is best aligned with the following:

Education: *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity

Increase the number of quality out of school time learning opportunities distributed equitably across the city.

Civic Engagement: *Equity Index Score:* N/A

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.

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

Our local community reads program provides quality out-of-school learning opportunities by encouraging the community is encouraged to read, think, and discuss compelling and meaningful themes from selected books. Sponsorship in recent years has allowed us to expand to selecting titles for all ages. The City works with Tacoma Public Library to select titles for adult, young adult, and children and their families around a shared theme; develop programming; and arrange for a Tacoma event with the author of the adult selection. Conversations around race, social justice, and healing can contribute to the learning and raising of awareness and have the potential to limit the impacts of and/or reverse the impacts of systemic racism within the community and public institutions.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. Do not sponsor Tacoma Reads	Council Contingency Funds can be used for other community priorities	Programming, opportunities for community conversation, and/or purchase of Tacoma Reads related will be limited.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

Tacoma Public Library has performance metrics for programming. No additional follow up is needed.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the resolution allocating \$10,000 from the Council Contingency Fund for the 2021 Tacoma Reads program.



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FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
Council Contingency Fund NUMBER	660000		\$10,000
TOTAL			\$10,000

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

Funds would come directly from the Council Contingency Fund and supplement the Tacoma Urban League sponsorship and existing Tacoma Public Library allocations.

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium's current budget?

NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW

This sponsorship is in addition to the expenditures planning in this biennial budget.

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

YES

Reduced community conversation and programming on race, social justice, and healing.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts?

No

Programming will be provided by existing staff.

ATTACHMENTS:

Council Contingency Commitments in the Current Biennium



TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Melanie Harding, Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor, City Manager's Office
COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Confirming Appointment of Individuals to the Heal the Heart Core Coordinating Team – June 8, 2021
DATE: June 3, 2021

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

Confirming the appointment of the following individuals to the Heal the Heart Core Coordinating Team:

- Chris Tubig
- Lucia Earl-Mitchell

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor Blocker, and Councilmember Ushka

BACKGROUND:

On December 8, 2020, the City Council passed Resolution No. 40708 formally appointing members and an alternate to the Heal the Heart Core Coordinating Team. These appointments supported Resolution No. 40667, authorizing the one-time use of \$75,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to stand up a community-led, multi-sector systems transformation effort to address all institutions, systems, policies, practices, and contracts impacted by systemic racism and Resolution No. 40622, affirming the City's commitment to anti-racist systems transformation throughout the community.

Resolution No. 40708 named Chris Tubig as an alternate to the Core Coordinating Team. Subsequently, Annalycia Matthews – who was one of the Core Coordinating Team members appointed under Resolution No. 40708 – obtained employment with the City of Tacoma and resigned her position on the Core Coordinating Team to avoid the appearance of any conflicts of interest. The Core Coordinating Team has nominated Chris Tubig to fill the seat that has opened due to this resignation.

While initial appointments were made to represent a diverse cross-section of viewpoints and lived experiences, it was anticipated that additional viewpoints or gaps in representation may be identified by the Core Coordinating Team. In their discussions, the Core Coordinating Team expressed a desire to add a member with lived experience as a member of the Puyallup Tribe. They have nominated Lucia Earl-Mitchell as a member to add this perspective, and they anticipate bringing forward a second person for confirmation who is a member of the Puyallup Tribe.

The Heal the Heart Core Coordinating Team provided an update to the City Council at the March 16, 2021 Study Session, and they are currently scheduled to present to the City Council on the work done since that time, as well as next steps, on June 22, 2021.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

Nationally, this is a historic moment of reckoning on issues related to race. Locally, Tacoma's elected leaders have received thousands of emails and countless telephone calls, and the City has seen widespread demonstrations calling on the community to address the impacts of systemic racism, with a priority being placed on policing in the City of Tacoma. Resolution No. 40622 called for this systems transformation effort to be community led and to engage the public, centering the voices of those most impacted by systemic racism.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility: *(Mandatory)*

This funding will stand-up a process that seeks to reduce racial and other inequities, disparities, or discrimination to under-represented communities through community-led, multi-sector systems transformation.

Economy/Workforce: *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

Increase the number of Tacoma households that have livable wage jobs within proximity to the city.

Education: *Equity Index Score: High Opportunity*

Increase the number of quality out of school time learning opportunities distributed equitably across the city.

Increase digital access and equity across the city.

Civic Engagement: *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

Representation at public meetings will reflect the diversity of the Tacoma community

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.

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.

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

Heal the Heart is a community-led initiative that seeks to reduce racial and other inequities, disparities, or discrimination to under-represented communities through systems transformation. While the work will begin with policing, it is envisioned to be comprehensive and sustained across all systems/sectors and may have measurable outcomes on any/all Tacoma 2025 indicators.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
Do not confirm the nominated individuals	Potential cost savings of approximately \$200/month in honorariums paid in acknowledgement of the team members' time and expertise	Impact the Core Coordinating Team's work capacity and ability to reflect varied viewpoints, which could impede the community-led work



EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

This process is likely to include evaluating existing performance measures and/or benchmarks and potentially establishing new measures to accurately reflect meaningful progress.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

The sponsors recommend approval of this resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of these specific appointments is estimated at \$100/month, based on a honorarium of \$50/per meeting for two meetings per month for one additional member.

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1. Council Contingency Fund	660000		\$100/month
TOTAL			\$100/month

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

The Council allocated \$75,000 from the Council Contingency Fund in Resolution No. 40667 for the Heal the Heart initiative, including honorariums for the Core Coordinating Team.

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium's current budget?

No, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW

The ongoing impacts from this specific legislation are limited to \$100/month and are funded through the Council Contingency Fund.

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

YES

Without intervention, systemic racism will continue to have reoccurring costs to public health and wellbeing that will continue to fall inequitably on residents/businesses who are Black, Indigenous, and community members of color.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

YES

Ongoing impacts from this specific legislation are limited to \$100/month. The Mayor's Office is currently exploring funding options for the ongoing Heal the Heart work.

Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts?

No

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution



TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Melanie Harding, Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor, City Manager's Office
COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Directing the Planning Commission to review Tacoma Municipal Code Section 13.06 as it relates to the regulation of Shipping Containers – June 8, 2021
DATE: June 1, 2021

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution directing the Planning Commission to review the prohibition of shipping containers for accessory building and/or storage uses as well as explore how the city could allow shipping containers to be adaptively reused for innovative housing solutions to address the housing shortage and affordability crisis in the City of Tacoma.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards, Councilmember Chris Beale, and Councilmember Kristina Walker

BACKGROUND:

With the exception of temporary uses subject to the limitations and standards in Tacoma Municipal Code Section 13.06.080.P, Commercial shipping and/or storage containers (also known as cargo containers or intermodal freight containers) are currently prohibited to be used as an accessory building and/or for storage in the City of Tacoma in residential, commercial, and mixed-use zoning districts.

Unlike a number of other jurisdictions, this prohibition is outright and does not allow for exceptions when specified conditions are met (such as design standards, landscape buffers, sight-obscuring fences or walls, the container's location on the site, etc.) that either remove the containers from the sight of neighbors or passersby or ensure the containers are an aesthetically pleasing part of their surroundings.

Each year, thousands of shipping containers are left inactive and unutilized in America because the nation's imports exceed exports and the cost to return cargo containers to exporting countries can be high. In 2012 alone, US Department of Transportation statistics indicated there were more than 5 million 20-foot containers sitting dormant. Reprocessing or melting down a used shipping container to repurpose the steel requires at least 8,000 kWh of energy. If it can be done in a way that maintains the aesthetics of the surrounding neighborhood, reuse of used containers as building materials or as accessory buildings/storage uses in Tacoma could be a sustainable, energy efficient, and cost-effective way to repurpose them.

Overall, this resolution would direct the Planning Commission to review the outright prohibition of commercial shipping and/or storage containers as accessory buildings and/or for storage in the City of Tacoma and determine if there design standards, siting requirements, or other conditions which may make these uses appropriate in specified zoning districts. Additionally, within subsequent phases of Home in Tacoma, the Planning Commission would look separately at how the City could allow shipping containers to be adaptively reused for innovative housing solutions to address the housing shortage and housing affordability in the City of Tacoma.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

This is a request for an initial review of these policies. Public comment and stakeholder input could be taken on any proposed changes.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility: *(Mandatory)*

This is a request for initial review of these policies. Considerations of any policy change should include a review of impacts on racial and other inequities, disparities, or discrimination to under-represented communities.

Livability: *Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity*

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

How does your policy, program, or service help or harm the health of the natural environment?

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

Reuse of the containers in an aesthetically acceptable way could provide a sustainable, affordable solution to accessory building, storage, and/or housing needs. While this request does not specify any policy outcome, the review will consider how limited exceptions to the shipping container prohibition might impact public perception of overall quality of life.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
No change in policy	Planning Commission and staff time are directed toward other areas of interest.	Businesses and/or residents may be prohibited from pursuing environmentally-friendly, cost-effective solutions involving shipping containers even when there would be no aesthetic impact to the surrounding area.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

If this resolution is approved, the Planning Commission will consider the review of the prohibition of storage containers for accessory buildings and/or storage needs as part of their annual work plan. The use of shipping containers as a potential innovative solution in housing affordability solutions would be considered as part of subsequent phases of the Home in Tacoma initiative.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

The sponsors recommend approval of this resolution.



FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1. N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.			
TOTAL			

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

No additional expenses are anticipated.

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium's current budget?

YES

This work is not anticipated to require additional costs, consultant services, or impacts to staff resources. The Planning Commission and the City Council Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee will set priorities for existing staff resources by determining on how this review fits within the planning work program for the year ahead.

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

YES

There may be costs to businesses or residents seeking the use of shipping containers as cost-effective solutions to accessory buildings, storage needs, and/or housing in a way that meets the aesthetic needs of the surrounding community.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

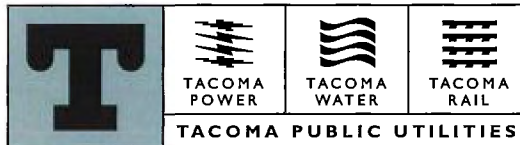
Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts?

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ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution



SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

**City of Tacoma
Public Utility Board
Wednesday, June 9, 2021
3:00 P.M.**

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Tacoma Public Utility Board will be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

*To comply with Governor Inslee's Proclamation 20-28, this meeting will not be conducted in-person and will have telephonic and virtual access for the public to attend.

Attendance and public comment for this meeting will be done virtually through Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/97918604684> or telephonically by dialing (253) 215-8782 and entering the meeting ID 979 1860 4684. This meeting will be broadcast on TV Tacoma and also [live streamed](#).

Written comments submitted to the Public Utility Board at utilityboard@cityoftacoma.org will be provided to the Board before the meeting if the comments are received by 2:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

- A. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings**
- B. Comments by the Public**
- C. Regular Agenda**

Departmental

C-1 Resolution U-11257 - Award contracts and approve purchases:

- 1. Award contract to Combined Construction, Inc., for structural seismic upgrades for four Tacoma Water Facilities: Hood Street Pump Station and Hydro Facility; Hood Street Chlorination Building; Hood Street Reservoir, and the South Tacoma Pump Station and Wet Well (\$4,012,911, plus a ten percent contingency for a cumulative total of \$4,414,202.10, plus applicable taxes) [Michel Peloquin, Professional Engineer].

- C-2 Resolution U-11258 – A resolution relating to reducing the TPU's municipal carbon footprint by restricting the use of natural gas and new fossil fuel for existing TPU buildings and facilities and future TPU capital improvements [LaTasha Wortham, Regional Relations Manager].

Tacoma Water

C-3 Motion 21-06 – Approve settlement of property damage claim #W-024-18 of Pamela Frost in the amount of \$55,206.54 [Tom Morrill, Chief Deputy City Attorney].

D. Reports of the Director

- Update on the status and impact of the COVID-19 virus and TPU's response to the emergency declaration
- Equity Index
- Strategic Directive Four (SD4) Stakeholder Engagement Update
- Tacoma Power Natural Resources Program
- Homeless Encampments
- Non-interim Tideflats and Industrial Land Use regulations
- General updates

E. Comments of the Board

F. Adjournment



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MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 11, 2021

TIME	MEETING	LOCATION
MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021		
5:30 PM	Tacoma Creates Advisory Board	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/81612298451 Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 816 1229 8451 Passcode: 375308
TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021		
9:00 AM	Hearing Examiner's Hearing *	Please visit https://cityoftacoma.org/hearingexaminer
10:00 AM	Economic Development Committee	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/88227539908 Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 882 2753 9908 Passcode: 614650
11:00 AM	Bid Opening**	Please visit http://www.tacomapurchasing.org
NOON	City Council Study Session	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/89496171192 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, JUNE 9, 2021		
3:00 PM	Public Utility Board Study Session – CANCELLED	
4:30 PM	Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/87829056704 Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 878 2905 6704 Passcode: 614650
5:00 PM	Metro Parks Tacoma Board of Commissioners – Capital Improvement Committee	Please visit https://metroparkstacoma.org
5:30 PM	Landmarks Preservation Commission	Please contact Rueben McKnight at Reuben.McKnight@cityoftacoma.org
6:00 PM	Human Services Commission	Join Zoom Meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/97234116608 Telephonic: Dial 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 972 3411 6608
6:30 PM	Public Utility Board Meeting	Please contact Charleen Jacobs at CJacobs@cityoftacoma.org
THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021		
7:30 AM	Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board	Please contact Erika Bartlett at EBartlett@cityoftacoma.org
9:00 AM	Hearing Examiner's Hearing *	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	Please contact Melanie Panui at MPanui@cityoftacoma.org
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 JMagoon@cityoftacoma.org
FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2021		
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



Meeting sites are accessible to people with disabilities. People with disabilities requiring special accommodations should contact the appropriate department(s) 48 hours prior to the meeting time.

* 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.



Citywide Weekly Briefing for 24 May 2021 to 30 May 2021

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	31-May-2020	30-May-2021	31-May-2020	30-May-2021	30-May-2020	30-May-2021			
Persons	68	79	292	314	1489	1546	16.2%▲	7.5%▲	3.8%▲
Assault	64	74	276	289	1340	1429	15.6%▲	4.7%▲	6.6%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	1	1	12	9	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	1	1	3	22	18	NC	200.0%▲	18.2%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	4	4	14	21	114	90	0.0%	50.0%▲	21.1%▼
Property	358	235	1627	1326	8357	7777	34.4%▼	18.5%▼	6.9%▼
Arson	6	3	15	9	49	68	50.0%▼	40.0%▼	38.8%▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	39	19	136	111	765	737	51.3%▼	18.4%▼	3.7%▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	4	4	12	9	67	44	0.0%	25.0%▼	34.3%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	104	86	410	400	2412	2116	17.3%▼	2.4%▼	12.3%▼
Fraud	13	6	63	38	394	226	53.8%▼	39.7%▼	42.6%▼
Larceny/Theft	152	85	818	527	3624	3056	44.1%▼	35.6%▼	15.7%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	34	25	132	177	737	1182	26.5%▼	34.1%▲	60.4%▲
Robbery	5	3	19	27	155	176	40.0%▼	42.1%▲	13.5%▲
Stolen Property	0	3	16	26	129	156	NC	62.5%▲	20.9%▲
Society	15	9	67	29	391	224	40.0%▼	56.7%▼	42.7%▼
Drug/Narcotic	8	3	41	9	266	104	62.5%▼	78.0%▼	60.9%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	1	3	3	16	9	0.0%	0.0%	43.8%▼
Prostitution	1	0	2	0	4	3	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	25.0%▼
Weapon Law Violations	5	5	21	17	105	108	0.0%	19.0%▼	2.9%▲
Citywide Totals	441	323	1986	1660	10237	9547	26.8%▼	16.0%▼	6.7%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 63.5% (47/74) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 61 DV-related offenses.
- 77.0% (47/61) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 59.5% (44/74) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 61 ⤴ 61
- There were 3 Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 45 ⤵ 39

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4502 S Steele St: 3 ⤴ 11
- 4602 45th Ave Ne: 0 ⤴ 8
- 5915 6th Ave: 0 ⤴ 4
- 1202 N Pearl St: 6 ⤵ 4
- 4818 S Fife St: 0 ⤴ 3
- There were an additional 6 locations with 3.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Parking Lot: 53 ⤴ 64
- Single Family Residence: 64 ⤵ 52
- Street/Right Of Way: 59 ⤵ 51
- Apartment: 31 ⤴ 33
- Other Business: 16 ⤵ 11



Sector 1 Weekly Briefing for 24 May 2021 to 30 May 2021

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Persons	16	20	81	79	393	381	25.0%▲	2.5%▼	3.1%▼
Assault	16	19	80	72	357	356	18.8%▲	10.0%▼	0.3%▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	0	0	4	2	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	0	1	6	2	0.0%	NC	66.7%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	1	1	6	25	21	NC	500.0%▲	16.0%▼
Property	90	55	444	274	1897	1674	38.9%▼	38.3%▼	11.8%▼
Arson	3	0	7	2	19	24	100.0%▼	71.4%▼	26.3%▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	9	3	29	14	159	148	66.7%▼	51.7%▼	6.9%▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	2	1	4	10	14	NC	300.0%▲	40.0%▲
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	24	22	99	93	581	504	8.3%▼	6.1%▼	13.3%▼
Fraud	2	3	15	11	70	53	50.0%▲	26.7%▼	24.3%▼
Larceny/Theft	46	20	261	92	875	576	56.5%▼	64.8%▼	34.2%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	5	3	21	40	127	267	40.0%▼	90.5%▲	110.2%▲
Robbery	1	0	6	6	31	39	100.0%▼	0.0%	25.8%▲
Stolen Property	0	2	3	11	20	42	NC	266.7%▲	110.0%▲
Society	4	3	14	10	71	53	25.0%▼	28.6%▼	25.4%▼
Drug/Narcotic	2	1	10	5	54	26	50.0%▼	50.0%▼	51.9%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0%	0.0%	NC
Weapon Law Violations	2	2	4	5	16	25	0.0%	25.0%▲	56.3%▲
Sector Totals	110	78	539	363	2361	2108	29.1%▼	32.7%▼	10.7%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 57.9% (11/19) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 7 DV-related offenses.
- 85.7% (6/7) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 31.6% (6/19) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 11 ≥ 7
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 11 ≥ 12

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4602 45th Ave Ne: 0 ≥ 8
- 1717 S J St: 3 ↔ 3
- 565 Broadway: 0 ≥ 3
- 5725 Overlook Ave Ne: 0 ≥ 2
- There were an additional 8 locations with 2.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Street/Right Of Way: 20 ≥ 15
- Parking Lot: 16 ≥ 13
- Apartment: 6 ≥ 10
- Single Family Residence: 6 ≥ 9
- Sidewalk: 1 ≥ 6



Sector 2 Weekly Briefing for 24 May 2021 to 30 May 2021

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Persons	15	14	50	67	270	301	6.7%▼	34.0%▲	11.5%▲
Assault	15	12	47	60	234	273	20.0%▼	27.7%▲	16.7%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	0	0	3	2	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	0	0	4	3	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	2	3	7	29	23	NC	133.3%▲	20.7%▼
Property	118	56	487	375	2449	2130	52.5%▼	23.0%▼	13.0%▼
Arson	1	0	1	1	5	11	100.0%▼	0.0%	120.0%▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	7	4	40	36	210	196	42.9%▼	10.0%▼	6.7%▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	1	3	1	23	10	0.0%	66.7%▼	56.5%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	39	19	122	103	720	556	51.3%▼	15.6%▼	22.8%▼
Fraud	7	1	19	8	121	67	85.7%▼	57.9%▼	44.6%▼
Larceny/Theft	55	23	266	165	1147	929	58.2%▼	38.0%▼	19.0%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	6	29	45	159	302	0.0%	55.2%▲	89.9%▲
Robbery	1	2	4	12	44	37	100.0%▲	200.0%▲	15.9%▼
Stolen Property	0	0	1	4	14	21	0.0%	300.0%▲	50.0%▲
Society	0	1	8	4	47	27	NC	50.0%▼	42.6%▼
Drug/Narcotic	0	0	5	1	36	9	0.0%	80.0%▼	75.0%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	1	2	2	0.0%	NC	0.0%
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Weapon Law Violations	0	1	3	2	9	16	NC	33.3%▼	77.8%▲
Sector Totals	133	71	545	446	2766	2478	46.6%▼	18.2%▼	11.1%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 83.3% (10/12) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 14 DV-related offenses.
- 71.4% (10/14) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 75.0% (9/12) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 12 ↗ 14
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 16 ↘ 9

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 5915 6th Ave: 0 ↗ 4
- 1202 N Pearl St: 6 ↘ 4
- 3304 S 23rd St: 0 ↗ 3
- 1741 N Schuster Pkwy: 0 ↗ 3
- 615 S G St: 0 ↗ 3

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Street/Right Of Way: 16 ↗ 17
- Parking Lot: 8 ↗ 17
- Apartment: 12 ↘ 10
- Department Store: 3 ↗ 4
- Other Residence: 2 ↗ 3
- Single Family Residence: 16 ↘ 3



Sector 3 Weekly Briefing for 24 May 2021 to 30 May 2021

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Persons	18	20	78	65	379	370	11.1%▲	16.7%▼	2.4%▼
Assault	18	18	72	59	345	337	0.0%	18.1%▼	2.3%▼
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	1	1	4	2	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%▼
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	1	0	1	7	6	NC	NC	14.3%▼
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	1	5	4	23	25	NC	20.0%▼	8.7%▲
Property	78	66	321	332	1945	1983	15.4%▼	3.4%▲	2.0%▲
Arson	2	0	4	1	10	12	100.0%▼	75.0%▼	20.0%▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	14	8	36	31	199	185	42.9%▼	13.9%▼	7.0%▼
Counterfeiting/Forgery	3	0	7	3	22	15	100.0%▼	57.1%▼	31.8%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	22	19	94	82	546	489	13.6%▼	12.8%▼	10.4%▼
Fraud	2	1	17	12	95	55	50.0%▼	29.4%▼	42.1%▼
Larceny/Theft	28	28	130	152	817	835	0.0%	16.9%▲	2.2%▲
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	9	25	45	177	313	50.0%▲	80.0%▲	76.8%▲
Robbery	1	1	5	5	41	52	0.0%	0.0%	26.8%▲
Stolen Property	0	0	3	1	33	25	0.0%	66.7%▼	24.2%▼
Society	6	3	25	4	134	73	50.0%▼	84.0%▼	45.5%▼
Drug/Narcotic	2	1	15	1	90	39	50.0%▼	93.3%▼	56.7%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	1	3	1	10	4	0.0%	66.7%▼	60.0%▼
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	2	0	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%▼
Weapon Law Violations	3	1	7	2	32	30	66.7%▼	71.4%▼	6.3%▼
Sector Totals	102	89	424	401	2458	2426	12.7%▼	5.4%▼	1.3%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 61.1% (11/18) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 17 DV-related offenses.
- 76.5% (13/17) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 61.1% (11/18) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 18 ↘ 17
- There was 3 Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 9 ↗ 10

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 4502 S Steele St: 3 ↗ 11
- 5102 S 58th St: 0 ↗ 3
- 4818 S Fife St: 0 ↗ 3
- 5239 South Tacoma Way: 0 ↗ 2
- There were an additional 7 locations with 2.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Parking Lot: 14 ↗ 29
- Apartment: 9 ↔ 9
- Single Family Residence: 15 ↘ 8
- Street/Right Of Way: 9 ↘ 7
- Other Business: 7 ↘ 5



Sector 4 Weekly Briefing for 24 May 2021 to 30 May 2021

The data is not National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) compliant. Do not compare the results with any report using that standard. The data is dynamic and is subject to change and/or revision. The number of distinct offenses listed on a report are counted. This does not represent reports or individuals. All data is compared to last year for the same number of days or date range. Small numbers may cause large percent increases and decreases.

Offense Breakdown	7 Days		28 Days		Year to Date		7 Days	28 Days	YTD
	25-May-2020	24-May-2021	04-May-2020	03-May-2021	01-Jan-2020	01-Jan-2021			
	31-May-2020	30-May-2021	31-May-2020	30-May-2021	30-May-2020	30-May-2021			
Persons	19	25	83	103	447	494	31.6%▲	24.1%▲	10.5%▲
Assault	15	25	77	98	404	463	66.7%▲	27.3%▲	14.6%▲
Homicide (doesn't include Negligent/Justifiable)	0	0	0	0	1	3	0.0%	0.0%	200.0%▲
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	1	5	7	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%▲
Sex Offenses, Forcible	4	0	5	4	37	21	100.0%▼	20.0%▼	43.2%▼
Property	72	58	375	345	2066	1990	19.4%▼	8.0%▼	3.7%▼
Arson	0	3	3	5	15	21	NC	66.7%▲	40.0%▲
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	9	4	31	30	197	208	55.6%▼	3.2%▼	5.6%▲
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	1	1	1	12	5	NC	0.0%	58.3%▼
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	19	26	95	122	565	567	36.8%▲	28.4%▲	0.4%▲
Fraud	2	1	12	7	108	51	50.0%▼	41.7%▼	52.8%▼
Larceny/Theft	23	14	161	118	785	716	39.1%▼	26.7%▼	8.8%▼
Motor Vehicle Theft	17	7	57	47	274	300	58.8%▼	17.5%▼	9.5%▲
Robbery	2	0	4	4	39	48	100.0%▼	0.0%	23.1%▲
Stolen Property	0	1	9	10	62	68	NC	11.1%▲	9.7%▲
Society	5	2	20	11	139	71	60.0%▼	45.0%▼	48.9%▼
Drug/Narcotic	4	1	11	2	86	30	75.0%▼	81.8%▼	65.1%▼
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	1	3	2	0.0%	NC	33.3%▼
Prostitution	1	0	2	0	2	2	100.0%▼	100.0%▼	0.0%
Weapon Law Violations	0	1	7	8	48	37	NC	14.3%▲	22.9%▼
Sector Totals	96	85	478	459	2652	2555	11.5%▼	4.0%▼	3.7%▼

Last 7 Days

Notes:

- There were no Homicide offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- 60.0% (15/25) of the Assaults were coded Simple Assault.
- There were 23 DV-related offenses.
- 78.3% (18/23) of the DV-related offenses were Persons.
- 72.0% (18/25) of the Assaults were DV-related.
- DV-related Offenses: 20 ↗ 23
- There were no Gang-Related offense(s) during the last 7 days.
- Theft from Motor Vehicle: 9 ↘ 8

Top 5 Locations - Compared to last year

- 759 S 38th St: 0 ↗ 2
- There were an additional 10 locations with 2.

Top 5 Offense Locations - Compared to last year

- Single Family Residence: 27 ↗ 32
- Street/Right Of Way: 14 ↘ 12
- Sporting Goods Store: 5 ↔ 5
- Parking Lot: 15 ↘ 5
- Alley: 1 ↗ 5



TO: Elizabeth A. Pauli, City Manager
FROM: Elliott Barnett, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services
Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services
SUBJECT: Home In Tacoma Project
DATE: June 2, 2021

OVERVIEW

At the June 8, 2021 study session, Planning and Development Services (PDS) staff will seek direction regarding the City Council review process and timeline for the Home In Tacoma Project. Due to the high level of community interest and significance of the proposals, staff anticipates the City Council may wish to take more time than is typically the case to discuss the recommendations, and to participate in public information sessions, prior to holding a public hearing. At the meeting, staff will propose a potential review timeline and give an overview of upcoming public notification and informational efforts. Subsequently, at the June 15, 2021 City Council study session staff will present the substance of the Planning Commission's Home In Tacoma Project recommendations, in advance of a public hearing tentatively scheduled for July 13, 2021.

BACKGROUND

As part of the City's affordable housing actions, the City Council directed the Planning Commission to develop policy recommendations regarding Tacoma's housing growth strategy. In response, after a year-long effort, on May 19, 2021, the Planning Commission finalized and forwarded the Home In Tacoma Project recommendations to the City Council. The recommended modifications to Tacoma's housing policies and growth strategy are intended to promote housing supply, affordability, and choice.

Key policy actions include:

- Support continued growth and promote affordability in centers and corridors
- Allow diverse (Missing Middle) housing types, such as duplexes, triplexes, cottage housing and small multifamily, in most currently single-family neighborhoods
- Allow medium-scale multifamily in areas near centers, corridors, and transit
- Ensure new housing is well designed and complements the scale of the neighborhood
- Expand and strengthen affordability and anti-displacement policies and programs
- Guide housing growth to support multiple community goals and avoid unintended consequences

The Planning Commission's work was informed by substantial community input over the course of the project. Most recently, in March and April 2021 the Commission received about 900 comments on the preliminary Home In Tacoma Project recommendations. The input reflected diverse and strongly held views about housing, as well as about neighborhood growth and change. The Commission made multiple changes to reflect the issues raised. The final Commission vote was divided, with six votes to approve and forward the recommendations (as

articulated in the Commission's letter) and three votes not to do so (as summarized by a "minority report" letter).

The recommendations package includes the following:

- Planning Commission and minority letters
- Findings and Recommendations Report
- Recommended One Tacoma Comprehensive Plan changes
- Near-term code changes
- Preliminary Mitigated Determination of Environmental Nonsignificance
- Housing Action Plan to guide further policy work

All materials are posted at www.cityoftacoma.org/homeintacoma. In addition, an interactive map on the project page shows the Commission's recommended housing growth strategy.

NEXT STEPS

City staff are currently preparing materials to summarize the recommendations and will be scheduling two public information sessions as well as meetings with neighborhood and community groups.

Key upcoming (tentative) dates include:

- June 15, 2021 – City Council study session
- June to July 2021 – Public notification and information meetings
- July 13, 2021 – City Council study session and public hearing

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ATTACHMENTS

Planning Commission Recommendation Letter

Planning Commission Minority Report

Home In Tacoma Project Overview



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May 19, 2021

The Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Tacoma
747 Market Street, Suite 1200
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RE: Home In Tacoma Project

Honorable Mayor Woodards and Members of the City Council,

On behalf of the Tacoma Planning Commission, it is my honor to forward our recommendations on the *Home In Tacoma Project*. In directing us to work on this effort, the City Council tasked this Commission with a very important responsibility and opportunity to make a significant and lasting contribution to our City. We are grateful for this chance to do meaningful work on behalf of current and future Tacoma residents.

As the City Council has correctly defined, Tacoma is facing a housing crisis. It is becoming more difficult to find housing we can afford, particularly for people with fixed or lower incomes. Growth in our region is driving prices up faster than incomes. The economic impacts of the pandemic mean more people are facing financial instability. Housing meets our need for shelter and connects us with family, friends, community, transportation, employment and more. Yet as time goes on, Tacoma's neighborhoods—particularly those with higher opportunities—are becoming too expensive for most Tacoma residents to afford. This impacts everyone—yet the data clearly show that people of color are disproportionately impacted and have inequitable access to high opportunity areas.

Today's housing challenges have lead us to rethink whether Tacoma's current housing rules are meeting the community's needs and hopes for the future. Since the 1950's, the majority of Tacoma's housing land supply has been zoned exclusively for single-family houses. This policy choice limits our ability to adapt to changing housing needs, locks in less efficient use of land and infrastructure, makes us reliant on cars, and limits access to opportunity. It wasn't always this way—many of Tacoma's most sought after neighborhoods, built before the 1950's, offer a mix of housing types in a walkable setting. Housing needs and preferences have also changed since the 1950s—households tend to be smaller, our average age is older, and there is renewed interest in walkable, urban living.

With a finite capacity for housing growth, why should Tacoma mandate that only one housing type be allowed in our neighborhoods—particularly one that uses more land for each housing unit, drives up costs, reduces housing choice, and reduces opportunities for a walkable lifestyle? Our community engagement efforts have lead us to conclude that many Tacomans would welcome more housing choices, along with more opportunity to age-in-place, generate rental income, house family members, and walk to jobs, transit, shopping and parks. Housing professionals confirm that there is pent up demand for more housing choices. Other cities are coming to this same conclusion.

We believe it is time for Tacoma to change housing rules that are no longer serving us well. The *Home In Tacoma Project* recommendations would establish a new housing growth vision supporting more housing choices, and commit to a second phase of robust community engagement prior to implementing that vision through zoning and standards. The proposed Low-scale and Mid-scale Residential Land Use designations chart the course for housing choices that support our transit-oriented growth vision and provide for compatibility in terms of scale and design. The recommendations are also consistent with Vision 2050, our regional growth strategy, which strongly emphasizes the link between housing, transit and jobs.

Through our engagement efforts, we have also heard that while there is a recognition of the need for housing supply, affordability and choice, there are also real concerns about how the City will manage neighborhood growth and change. There are questions that must be thought through to make sure that we can add housing choices while protecting the qualities that people cherish about our neighborhoods. We believe we can allow infill that complements the scale, design and residential patterns of our existing neighborhoods. The key to doing so is moving away from a use-based zoning approach that mandates the number of families, to a form-based approach that emphasizes scale and design.

The *Home In Tacoma Project* would not eliminate houses. To be clear, the majority of Tacoma residents today live in detached houses, and this remains the aspiration of many. On the contrary, these proposals would help more people to realize their housing objectives by allowing infill of smaller and attached housing types offering many of the benefits of houses, in neighborhoods that under our current housing rules are considered already full.

We urge the City Council to commit to a more inclusive, sustainable and affordable housing vision by adopting the Home In Tacoma Project policies, and initiate implementation through *Home In Tacoma Project* — Phase 2. While we applaud the City Council for setting a deadline commensurate with the importance of these actions, we urge Council to allow more time for Phase 2 within an expeditious schedule. This is a significant, and for some, controversial topic. People need to understand how the City and its public agency partners will ensure that infrastructure, transit, parks and schools will keep pace with more people living in our neighborhoods. We also need to craft zoning and standards that prevent unintended consequences, such as loss of tree canopy or a spike in demolitions of viable structures. This will take time, and we need to do it right in consultation with our whole community.

Yet if we do nothing, we know what to expect—housing will become more and more out of reach for many residents, particularly in high opportunity areas. Our neighborhoods will become less diverse and resilient. The implications go beyond housing—changing our housing growth strategy is also critical to addressing the climate emergency and to accomplishing Tacoma's antiracism transformation. Those outcomes would not be consistent with Tacoma's values.

The *Home In Tacoma Project* recommendations are among the most significant actions that the City can take to address our community's housing needs. Yet affordability and anti-displacement are challenging and complex, requiring action on multiple fronts. We applaud the City Council for your leadership in adopting new housing funding sources, and urge continued and expanded implementation of all the AHAS actions.

Though our stance with the *Home In Tacoma Project* is in part to right an historic wrong, we also firmly believe that this new housing growth vision will benefit everyone. We urge you to consider that significant change always comes with controversy. The proposals have been crafted in collaboration with the community, and we have worked hard to consider and address the community's issues and questions. We believe wholeheartedly that the *Home In Tacoma Project* proposals are well-balanced and incorporate a firm commitment to address community concerns moving forward.

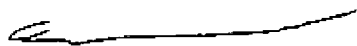
Enclosed please find the "*Planning Commission's Findings of Fact and Recommendations Report for the Home In Tacoma Project, May 19, 2021*" that summarizes the proposed amendments, the public review and community engagement process, and the Planning Commission's deliberations and decision-making.

We want to share our thanks to the many Tacoma residents and stakeholders who have been actively engaged in the process and provided invaluable feedback and advice.

In conclusion, the *Home In Tacoma Project* is a carefully-crafted and well-balanced product that reflects the community's desires and concerns garnered through an extensive and rigorous engagement process. Housing matters deeply to our wellbeing, health and prosperity. The Planning Commission believes that the recommended package, as part of the City's ongoing housing and related policy efforts, will help achieve the City's strategic goals for a safe, clean and attractive city; a well maintained natural and built environment; a diverse, productive and sustainable economy; and an equitable and accessible community for all.

We respectfully request that the City Council accept our recommendations and adopt the *Home In Tacoma Project* package as presented.

Sincerely,



ANNA PETERSEN, Chair
Tacoma Planning Commission

Enclosure

May 26, 2021

The Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Tacoma
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RE: Home In Tacoma Project – Minority Report

Honorable Mayor Woodards and Members of the City Council,

We, Commissioners McInnis, Edmonds and Givens, want to offer this Minority Report to provide an explanation for not fully supporting the *Home in Tacoma* Project. As is often the case in a complex issue like this, those that vote against it do so for differing reasons. In order to properly explain the reasons for the three 'nay' votes, I have categorized the reasons below and identified the dissenting commissioners that are in agreement. Suffice it to say, however, that the haste with which Home In Tacoma has been compiled and moved forward is a concern shared by all of us and the underlying reason for all of our itemized concerns below. This matter is much too important for us to get wrong.

Commissioners McInnis and Edmonds believe that the Home in Tacoma (HIT) plan will not respond to the affordable home crisis that we are experiencing in Tacoma. While HIT creates an environment in which additional housing can be created, the units that will be created are going to do very little for affordable housing. Both Vice Chair McInnis and Commissioner Edmonds have considerable experience in the real estate and development market. We understand the process that developers go through to evaluate a project. Projects that could be built for affordability typically require reduced development costs and are often built in areas with reduced real estate costs.

Those are not the types of developments that will be created by HIT because HIT does nothing to encourage developers to seek lower cost real estate nor does it provide any relief from "soft" development costs (permits, etc.). There are still significant development costs to overcome in these "market-rate" projects, and HIT does nothing to respond to that. The projects that will be created as a result of HIT will be those with sufficient revenue to allow payback in the timeline required by lenders.

For that reason, we will not see affordable development occur as a result of HIT. We will see more development in Tacoma, but it will be of the type that we have seen recently in the Proctor District – higher end developments with expensive rents. Little will be done to improve affordability. In the process, some historical buildings will necessarily be removed, the character of our neighborhoods forever changed, and we will still be faced with an affordability crisis.

We have an opportunity and responsibility to find real ways to provide affordable housing in Tacoma. Doing so well requires a much more detailed approach than a blanket policy affecting the entire City. It requires:

1. Finding ways to reduce development costs with reductions in permitting fees and timelines
2. Reviewing each neighborhood for opportunities to provide incentives for developers to pursue redevelopment of specific parcels
3. A policy with real thresholds and requirements about how affordable development can actually be realized, such as height bonuses, tax abatements, and permit cost and timeline relief

While we understand the desire to put something forward quickly, the Home In Tacoma policy misses the mark. We need to take additional time to put together a real policy that truly addresses affordable housing in Tacoma instead of putting forward a hastily compiled policy that will do nothing to address our current problem while at the same time erode the quality and character of Tacoma.

In summary, Vice-Chair McInnis and Commissioner Edmonds have concerns that the policies (i) will not produce affordable housing, (ii) will encourage a different type of development that will change

neighborhood character (iii) will fail to address affordability, (iv) will reduce single-family housing supply, (v) and will cause building-scale conflicts in existing neighborhoods.

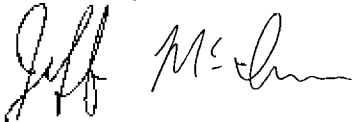
Mapping Concerns - All three commissioners are concerned with the map agreed upon by the Commission. These concerns include:

- **Low-Scale Residential Housing Opportunities appear Sufficient to Respond to Housing Needs:** The proposed policy changes would allow for additional housing types in addition to single-family houses in the Low-Scale classification (e.g., duplexes, triplex, & cottage housing) – this increases our housing capacity/options in existing neighborhoods with less reliance on expanding the Mid-Scale Residential designation.
- **The Mid-Scale Residential expansions are not focused near designated Corridors/Centers** – we believe that future Mid-Scale Residential should be introduced at strategic locations as part of neighborhood planning activities over the next five years. Neighborhood-level refinements would allow for additional community engagement, target housing on underutilized properties, and focus new mid-scale residential near parks, schools, colleges, commercial nodes, and similar existing housing types.
- **Apartments are Introduced in Isolated Locations:** The proposed map introduces Mid-Scale Residential at seemingly isolated locations across the city which are outside established nodes, transit corridors and neighborhood centers and/or near clusters of existing apartment/townhouse development (e.g., N. 15th, Norpoint Way NE, 49th Avenue NE, E. Roosevelt).
- **The Plan Creates Low-Scale Islands:** The proposed map amendments will create small islands of Low-Scale Residential that would be otherwise surrounded with Mid-Scale Residential (e.g., N. 24th & Warner Street, N. 11th & Alder, N. 9th & Union, S. 11th & Pine, S. 80th & Yakima).
- **The Plan Creates Disproportionate Expansions in Certain Neighborhoods:** Due to irregular block configurations, the proposed map amendments would disproportionately expand Mid-Scale Residential into existing neighborhoods (e.g., south of the 6th Ave. Center, NW edge of Hilltop, E. 56th & McDacer).
- **The Plan Fails to Recognize Existing Apartment Clusters:** The proposed Mid-Scale Residential designations are not applied to existing apartment/townhouse communities near Corridors/Centers, which perpetuates nonconforming situations and limits expansions (e.g., west/east sides of U. of Puget Sound, N 6th & K, N. Grant & Division, S. 9th & Sheridan).

We believe the project's expedited timeline prevented the Planning Commission from fully discussing all issues attending this important issue and from arriving at a project that will respond to the needs of the majority of the residents of Tacoma.

We hope this provides clarity on why we were unable to reach full consensus. Like our fellow commissioners, we acknowledge that Tacoma is facing an unprecedented housing crisis and our land use/regulatory framework should allow for more diverse housing options while recognizing existing neighborhood character.

Respectfully,



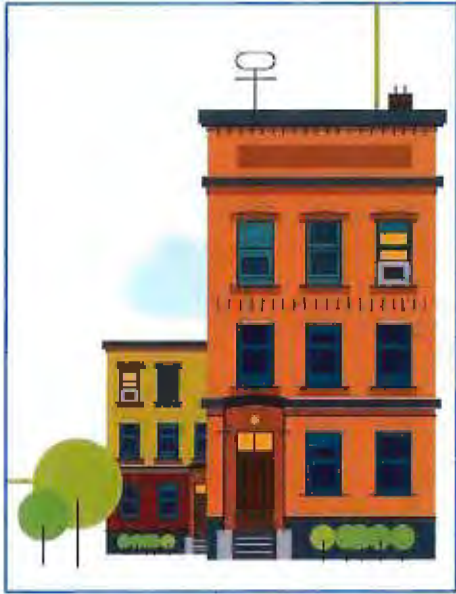
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Tacoma Planning Commission



Home in Tacoma Project

Action is necessary as Tacoma faces a housing crisis with people finding it harder to find housing that is affordable, particularly if they have fixed or lower incomes. Housing provides basic human needs and connects us with family, friends, community, transportation, employment and more, which matters to the health, wellbeing and prosperity of our community members.

As part of Tacoma's Affordable Housing Action Strategy, the **Home In Tacoma Project** recommends changes to Tacoma's housing growth strategy, policies and programs to increase housing supply, affordability and choice for current and future residents.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

May 19, 2021

WHAT'S IN THE HOME IN TACOMA PROJECT PACKAGE

As directed by the City Council, Tacoma's Planning Commission developed policy recommendations to help meet Tacoma's housing needs. Over the past year, Tacoma's Planning Commission engaged with the community in a discussion about housing needs, development trends, and neighborhood change. The planning process included two public hearings, an online survey, housing café discussion series, an interactive housing growth scenarios map, about 50 stakeholder meetings, and citywide notice. The Commission received about 900 comments on their preliminary recommendations, and made multiple changes to reflect community ideas, questions and concerns. On May 19, 2021, the Commission forwarded the its recommendations to the City Council.

Proposals would change policies in Tacoma's Comprehensive Plan – the City's blueprint for community growth. The recommendations are to adopt a **new housing growth vision**, to **update housing policies**, to **enable Missing Middle Housing** in Tacoma's neighborhoods, to strengthen tools to **ensure Tacoma gets housing growth right**, and to take actions to **make housing more affordable**. If adopted, these policies would initiate a second phase of policy work and public engagement to develop zoning, standards, programs and other implementation steps.

Recommendations are summarized below—visit www.cityoftacoma.org/homeintacoma for more information.

A NEW HOUSING GROWTH VISION

Utilize housing growth to create neighborhoods that are inclusive, welcoming to our diverse community, resilient, thriving, distinctive and walkable, with robust community amenities and a range of housing choices and costs.

The recommendations propose the above **new vision for housing growth** based on increased housing choice within vibrant, walkable neighborhoods. To adapt to changing housing needs, the Commission recommends allowing diverse housing types with strong design standards throughout our predominately single-family neighborhoods and mid-scale multifamily housing near shopping and transit. The vision also calls for actions to ensure that housing growth meets multiple community goals, to target unmet need for affordable housing, and to prioritize anti-displacement measures to ensure that all groups can benefit from housing growth.

To support the new housing growth vision, the proposals include updates to City policies, including:

- Increase housing options throughout the City
 - Renew Tacoma’s longstanding vision for housing growth Downtown and in Centers
 - Expand Missing Middle housing options in Tacoma’s neighborhoods
 - Plan for the impacts of growth on urban infrastructure such as sidewalks, traffic and utilities
- Ensure that new housing is well designed and complements Tacoma’s distinctive neighborhoods
 - Use design standards to ensure that infill complements neighborhood scale and patterns
 - Provide for smooth transitions from low-scale to higher scale areas
 - Protect the character of historic districts and promote reuse of existing structures
- Evolve our housing vision to be more inclusive of all members of our community
 - Address inequitable access to opportunity in Tacoma’s neighborhoods
 - Shift regulatory language away from “family” to allow households to define themselves
 - Address lingering impacts of systemic racism and facilitate homeownership and wealth-building opportunities for people of color
 - Promote accessibility for people of different physical abilities
- Recognize that housing is a fundamental building block of community that affects multiple goals
 - Promote housing in Tacoma as an alternative to urban sprawl
 - Build sustainable and resilient housing to address the climate emergency, urban forestry goals, and protect the health of the Puget Sound
 - Promote infill in walkable areas with transportation choices to reduce car dependency

ENABLING MISSING MIDDLE HOUSING

The recommendations call for enabling diverse housing types, often called Missing Middle Housing, throughout Tacoma’s neighborhoods. The term “Missing Middle Housing” describes a long-term trend in many American cities of reserving the majority of neighborhoods exclusively for single-family houses, while limiting areas where smaller, attached or clustered housing types are allowed. This limits housing supply and choice, and drives up housing costs. It wasn’t always this way—many pre-zoning neighborhoods, in Tacoma and elsewhere, offer a range of housing sizes, types and choices.



“Missing Middle is a range of multi-unit or clustered housing types compatible in scale with single-family homes that help meet the growing demand for walkable urban living.” www.missingmiddlehousing.com

Today, Tacoma sets aside about 75 percent of our residential land supply for single-family houses. The proposals would increase housing flexibility and choice by creating two new residential land use designations. The new designations would replace the current Single-family and Multi-family Low-Density Land Use designations on Tacoma Future Land Use Map—the City’s blueprint for guiding growth.

Recommended changes would shift Tacoma’s housing rules from an emphasis on housing types (such as single-family) to building form, design and scale. The objective is to provide more housing options, support affordability, diversity, walkability and thriving neighborhood businesses while ensuring that new housing complements the overall scale and residential patterns of existing neighborhoods.

What are the proposed Low-scale and Mid-scale Residential designations?

Low-scale Residential areas support housing types including detached houses, duplexes, triplexes, cottage housing, and in some cases fourplexes and small multifamily buildings. New housing is built at the general scale (size, width and height) of detached houses with front, side and rear yards similar to existing neighborhoods. Low-scale areas are generally quieter settings that are a short to moderate walking distance from parks, schools, shopping, transit and other amenities.

Mid-scale Residential areas support the same housing types as Low-scale Residential areas, along with moderate sized multifamily housing. Housing is generally up to 3 stories tall, with 4 stories allowed in limited circumstances such as across the street from tall buildings. Mid-scale areas are generally close to shopping, transit and other urban activities, and provide a transition between dense centers and nearby Low-scale areas.

In both new designations, standards would require compatible design features, building height and scale, and attention to scale transitions. Pedestrian orientation to the street, street trees and landscaping, and a strong emphasis on reuse of existing structures would be strongly emphasized as essential features.

Examples of Low-scale and Mid-scale Housing Types

Low-scale Housing



House & ADU(s)



Duplex, triplex



Small lot house



Cottage housing

Low-scale Housing (in some circumstances)



Fourplex



Small multifamily

Mid-scale Housing



Townhouses



Medium multifamily



Illustration of a transition from Low-scale to Mid-scale housing, with taller structures only near dense centers



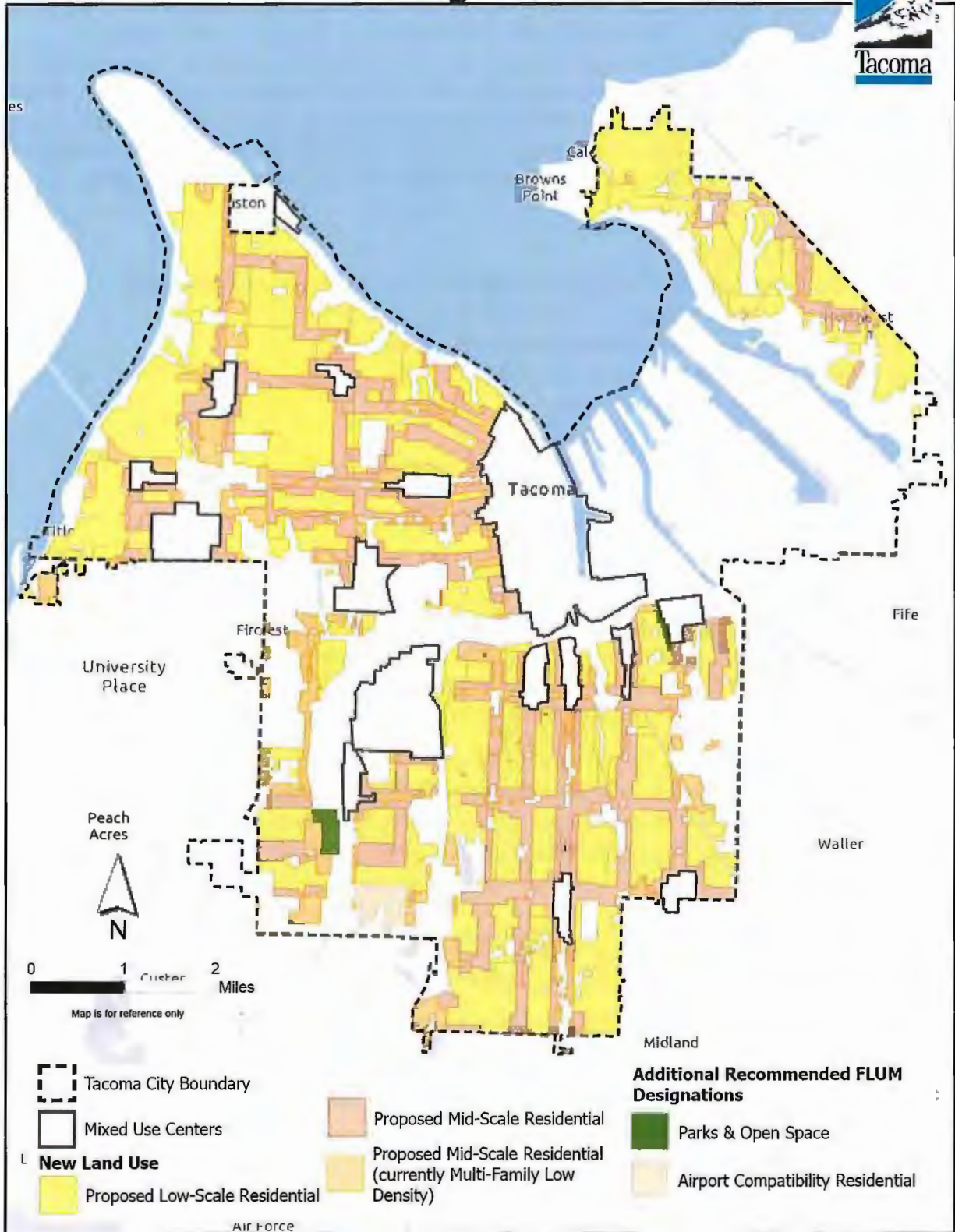
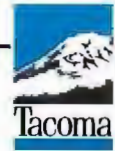
Recent infill housing providing a transition from existing houses to nearby larger buildings (Bozeman, MT)

Recommended Housing Growth Scenario

The recommendations would update Tacoma's Future Land Use Map, which provides high-level direction for the types, size and scale of development citywide as follows (see map):

- Replace *Single-family* and *Multifamily Low-Density* Land Use designations with the proposed *Low-scale Residential* and *Mid-scale Residential* designations, allowing more housing choices citywide
- Designate areas near Centers, Corridors, and bus routes for Mid-scale Residential
- No changes are recommended Downtown or in Centers, or in areas where housing is not the primary goal (such as parks, commercial and industrial areas), with map cleanups to recognize existing parks and open spaces, and the Airport Compatibility Area

Recommended Housing Growth Scenario



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GETTING HOUSING GROWTH RIGHT

The recommendations call for careful evaluation of how Tacoma can balance housing goals with design, livability, historic preservation, urban forestry, public infrastructure and services, and other important community goals. Recommended infill design principles call for new housing to complement neighborhood scale and patterns, avoid abrupt differences in building height, and provide transitions from higher-scale to lower-scale areas. Recommendations also strongly commit to actions to reduce demolitions of viable structures, to ensure that housing growth is supported by infrastructure and services, and to building green, resilient housing. City Council action would initiate the next phase of public engagement and policy analysis, including:

- Zoning changes
- Design standards updates
- Actions to ensure that urban infrastructure and services are adequate to support growth
- Potential phasing of implementation, if directed by the City Council
- Actions to address the potential demolition of viable structures
- Actions to create green, sustainable and resilient housing
- Actions to promote physical accessibility
- Review of City permitting and processes
- Education and technical support for developers and the public

MAKING HOUSING MORE AFFORDABLE

The Commission finds that allowing diverse housing types is ***an essential step toward meeting housing affordability goals***. However, by itself the for-profit housing market is not likely to produce housing affordable to moderate and lower income Tacoma residents. To address this need, the recommendations call for ***expansion of regulatory affordable housing incentives and requirements*** and ***anti-displacement actions***. These tools, in combination with increased public investment and other actions called for by the Affordable Housing Action Strategy, allow the City to partner with developers in affordable housing creation. Recommendations include:

- Strengthen policy guidance for affordability tools and set affordable housing production targets
- Recognizing current market strength, expand regulatory affordable housing tools
- Establish an anti-displacement strategy to help lower-income residents stay in growing neighborhoods
- Promote access to housing and wealth-building, particularly for people of color

NEXT STEPS

City staff are preparing public information sessions prior to a City Council public hearing. Visit www.cityoftacoma.org/homeintacoma for more information. The complete package includes:

One Tacoma Comprehensive Plan: Housing, Urban Form, and Design and Development Element changes

Housing Growth Scenario Map: Learn about the recommended housing growth scenario

Housing Action Plan: Analysis and list of housing growth strategy actions to be implemented over time

Near-term Code Changes: Changes to address known code issues, and for consistency with state law

Planning Commission letters: A letter recommending, and a minority report opposing, these changes

Findings and Recommendations Report: Policy basis and an overview of the process

SEPA Determination: City review of potential environmental impacts and mitigation actions

MOTION FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

June 8, 2021

I MOVE TO AMEND ORDINANCE No. _____, adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2021 and 2022-2027, to amend:

The Missing Link Sidewalks project description to include the following projects:

- South 76th Street between Pacific Ave and Thompson Ave
- East side of Hosmer Street between South 90th Street and South 92nd Street
- West side of Hosmer Street between South 90th Street and South 92nd Street
- South 84th, east of Hosmer, north side of road.
- South Yakima at South 68th.
- South Yakima at South 70th

I make this motion because:

These requests are directly in response to community concerns over missing sidewalk areas in the South End of Tacoma. These additional projects will complete missing link sidewalks on arterials in the South End to improve pedestrian mobility and safe access with a focus on providing continuous sidewalk access to Schools, Parks, and Community Centers. These are lower cost projects that would be able to partner with other projects to further minimize their cost.

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
June 8, 2021	City Council Study Session dial-in Noon	Discussion Related to Home in Tacoma Initiative	Planning and Development Services - Director Peter Huffman, Brian Boudet, Elliott Barnett & 2025 Strategic Manager Jacques Colon	Planning and Development Services staff will seek direction regarding the City Council review process and timeline for the Home In Tacoma Project and will propose a potential review timeline and give an overview of upcoming public notification and informational efforts.
		American Rescue Plan Fund Update	Reid Bennion - Office of Management and Budget	Staff will provide an update on the American Rescue Plan funding.
		Systems Transformation	City Manager's Office	City Manager Elizabeth Pauli will be giving an update on Systems Transformation.
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			
June 15, 2021	City Council Study Session dial-in Noon	Review Home in Tacoma Planning Commission Recommendations	Planning and Development Services - Brian Boudet, Elliott Barnett & 2025 Strategic Manager Jacques Colon	PDS staff will provide an overview of the recommendations, describe upcoming public information opportunities, and request that the City Council identify issues and questions for further discussion. PDS staff will return on June 22, 2021 to respond to the City Council's direction and questions, in preparation for a public hearing, tentatively scheduled for the City Council meeting on June 29, 2021.
		Annual Review of Sister Cities Program	Community and Economic Development Department - Debbie Bingham & Claire Petrich	
		Homelessness Update	Neighborhood and Community Services	
		Other items of Interest - Support of the Tacoma Pride Festival	CM Walker	
		Executive Session (30 minutes) - Review the Performance of a Public Employee		
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			

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June 22, 2021	City Council Study Session dial-in Noon	Review Planning Commission's Home In Tacoma Recommendations	Planning and Development Services - Elliott Barnett	
		Systems Transformation	City Manager's Office	City Manager Elizabeth Pauli will be giving an update on Systems Transformation.
		Executive Session (60 minutes) - Review the Performance of a Public Employee		
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 PM)			
June 29, 2021	City Council / Joint Tacoma Public Utility Board Study Session (dial-in 12:00 pm)	State Legislative and Federal Update	CMO Government Relations - Rosa McLeod & TPU Public Affairs-Community & Govt Affairs Clark Mather	Staff will provide a State Legislative and Federal Update
		Tacoma Guaranteed Income Demonstration, now named "Growing Resilience in Tacoma"	United Way Staff	
		Police Alternative Response Study	Matrix Consulting	
		*Totem Rescission	Amy McBride - TVE/Office of Arts and Cultural Vitality & Reuben McKnight - PDS Historic Preservation Office	Staff will update Council on actions related to the removal of the Tacoma Totem Pole from the City's Municipal Art Collection, rescission as a City Landmark, plans for physical removal and commitment to commissioning new artwork from Puyallup artists
	City Council Meeting (dial-In, 5:00 PM)			
July 6, 2021	Cancelled			
July 13, 2021	City Council Study Session (dial-in 12:00pm)	Home in Tacoma Hearing Prep	Planning and Development Services	
	City Council Meeting (dial-in, 5:00 12:00 PM)			

Community Vitality and Safety			
Committee Members: Ushka (Chair), Beale, Hines, Blocker, Alternate-Hunter Executive Liaison: Linda Stewart; Staff Support - Ted Richardson		2nd and 4th Thursdays 4:30 p.m. Room 248	CBC Assignments: Citizen Police Advisory Committee • Human Services Commission • Human Rights Commission • Housing Authority • Commission on Disabilities • Library Board • Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority • Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs
	Topic	Presenter	Description
June 10, 2021	Engaging Students to Reduce Litter Pollution in Tacoma	Kate Waind, EnviroChallenger Educator, ESD	
	Trash Removal, Purple Bags, Vendor Updates	Allyson Griffith - NCS Assistant Director	
	Graffiti Update	Vicky McLaurin - NCS Program Manager	
June 24, 2021	HB 1590	Jeff Robinson	Outreach process and progress to date
July 8, 2021			
July 22, 2021	Tacoma Public Library Service Report	Kate Larsen, Library Director	Library Director to provide brief updates about Library services and issues.
	Code Compliance Update	Keith Williams, Code Compliance Supervisor; DeJa Irving, Senior Inspector and Christina Tate, Lead Customer Service Rep.	Update on work to review the code and current practices and infuse principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Government Performance and Finance Committee			
Committee Members: Hines (Chair), Hunter (Vice Chair), Thoms, and Walker Alternate - Blocker		1st and 3rd Tuesday	CBC Assignments: •Public Utility Board •Board of Ethics •Audit Advisory Board •Civil Service Board
Executive Liaison: Andy Cherullo; Staff Support - Ted Richardson		10 a.m.	
		Room 248	
	Topic	Presenter	Description
June 15, 2021	Informational Briefing on City Reserve Policy	Jackis Coulibaly	Review of the City's current policy, best practices, and peer review
	TPU Bond Issuance	Bill Berry, Section Manager, Power	TPU will describe their Capital Program plan of finance related to retiring \$150 million in short term notes.
	Internship Program	Cathy Journey	
	Monthly Budget Update	Hayley Falk	Review of expenditures and revenues
July 6, 2021	CANCELLED		
July 20, 2021	Power Note Purchase Agreement	Bill Berry, Section Manager Power; Erin Erben, Assistant Section Manager, Power; Michelle Brown, Power Analyst, Power	Overview of upcoming revenue bond issuance.
	Tacoma Rail Informational Briefing	Dale King	
	Monthly Budget Report	Hayley Falk	Review of expenditures and revenues

Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee			
Committee Members: McCarthy (Chair), Walker (Vice Chair), Beale, & Hunter; Alternate-Ushka Executive Liaison: Mike Slevin; Coordinator: Claire Goodwin		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
June 9, 2021	Tideflats Non-Interim Regulations Discussion: Fossil Fuel Expansion & Renewable Fuels (Tentative)	Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services; Steve Victor, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office	The IPS Committee will be discussing the Tideflats non-interim regulations.
June 23, 2021	Tideflats Non-Interim Regulations Discussion: Fossil Fuel Expansion & Renewable Fuels (Tentative)	Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services; Steve Victor, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office	The IPS Committee will be discussing the Tideflats non-interim regulations.
July 14, 2021	Cancelled - Rescheduled to July 21		
July 21, 2021 Special Meeting	Tideflats Non-Interim Regulations Discussion: Conditional Use Permits vs. Standard Permitting (Tentative)	Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services; Steve Victor, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office	The IPS Committee will be discussing the Tideflats non-interim regulations.

Economic Development Committee

Committee Members: Thoms (chair), Blocker, McCarthy, Ushka, Alternate-Beale Executive Liaison: Tadd Wille; Staff Support - Lynda Foster		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
June 8, 2021	Briefing on establishing a 5G Innovation Lab for the Tacoma tideflats	Pat Beard, Business Development Manager, Community and Economic Development	A briefing about and discussion of recent work to establish a stand-alone 5G network with Edge computing in the Tacoma tideflats. 5G Open Innovation Labs and Washington Maritime Blue will present.
Future			
June 22, 2021	Old City Hall Update	Elly Walkowiak, Assistant Director, Community and Economic Development Department	Briefing on project progress with a special emphasis on historic preservation and seismic retrofit work.
June 29, 2021	New State of Washington Tax Increment Financing Law (Enacted May 10, 2021)	Elly Walkowiak, Assistant Director, Community and Economic Development Department and Andy Cherullo, Finance Director	Briefing on the purpose and uses of tax increment financing and requirements to create a local tax increment financing district.
July 13, 2021	Workforce Recovery	Katie Condit, Chief Executive Officer, Workforce Central	How Workforce Central is investing in getting people back to work by focusing on employer priorities, barrier removal, and equity on both sides of the worker-business equation.
July 27, 2021	Outdoor dining update	Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer, Public Works Department, and Jana Magoon, Planning Manager, Planning & Development Services	