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SUBJECT: Tacoma Venues & Events Department Update
DATE: 11/23/2021

PRESENTATION TYPE:
Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:

This is an informational briefing to the Committee about the current status and ongoing operations of the City-owned Public Assembly Facilities and the Tacoma Venues & Events Department.

BACKGROUND:

The Tacoma Venues & Events department manages and operates the Tacoma Dome and Greater Tacoma Convention Center and oversee the private management of Cheney Stadium and the Tacoma Theaters (Pantages Theater, Rialto Theater, Theater on the Square). In addition, the department includes the City’s Special Events department and the Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality, including the Tacoma Arts Commission and Tacoma Creates programs.

ISSUE:

This briefing will include: general departmental updates, updates on the Special Events & OACV departments, and updates on the City-owned Public Assembly Facilities with a specific focus on actions taken during the pandemic, impacts of the shutdown, and the reopening path forward. Tacoma Creates will not be included as this program will be addressed separately at a later Committee meeting.

There is no request for formal action.

ALTERNATIVES:

This is an information briefing only. There are no alternatives presented.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This is an information briefing only. There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information briefing only. There is no recommendation.