



City of Tacoma Economic Development Committee Minutes

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November 23, 2021

10:00 AM

Chair Robert Thoms, Vice Chair Conor McCarthy, Keith Blocker,
Catherine Ushka, Victoria Woodards (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Thoms called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 4 - Blocker, McCarthy, Thoms and Ushka

All Council Members participated virtually.

Briefing Items

1. [21-1144](#)

Tacoma Venues & Events

[Adam Cook, Interim Director, Tacoma Venues & Events]

At approximately 10:04 a.m., Adam Cook, Interim Director, Tacoma Venues and Events (TVE), presented an update on TVE, including a presentation and department overview; the Office of Arts and Cultural Vitality and special events; Cheney Stadium; Tacoma theaters; and the Greater Tacoma Convention Center and the Tacoma Dome, noting past and current statistics, including event days, economic impact, and revenue, and plans for the future.

Discussion ensued regarding impacts from the opening of the Climate Pledge Arena in Seattle, expanding community use of the Tacoma Dome, the Tacoma Stars soccer team, deferred maintenance, whether there is an estimate for future revenue values that can be used for maintenance and facility upgrades, the ease of access to the Tacoma Dome versus Climate Pledge Arena, security cameras at the Tacoma Dome, public transportation options for attending events at the Tacoma Dome, localized community marketing, and a request for more information regarding recently implemented security improvements at the Tacoma Dome.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

2. [21-1145](#) November 30, 2021 - Tacoma Arts Commission Interviews

Chair Thoms stated that the next meeting will be on November 30, 2021, and will include interviews for the Tacoma Arts Commission.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.


Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.


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Robert Thoms, Chair



Jered Lobban, City Clerk's Office