



**TO:** Hyun Kim, City Manager  
**FROM:** Nicole Emery, City Clerk  
Chris Bacha, City Attorney  
**COPY:** City Council  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Appointing and reappointing individuals to the Climate and Sustainability Commission – April 21, 2026  
**DATE:** April 7, 2026

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**SUMMARY:**

Appointing and reappointing the following individuals to the Climate and Sustainability Commission:

- Appointing Daniel Purcell to fill an unexpired term, to expire April 30, 2028.
- Appointing Chelsea Brown to fill an unexpired term, to expire April 30, 2027, followed by a three-year term, to expire April 30, 2030.
- Appointing Justine Jadallah to serve a three-year term, effective May 1, 2026, to expire April 30, 2029.
- Reappointing Michael Chang to serve a three-year term, effective May 1, 2026, to expire April 30, 2029.
- Reappointing Hope Springer to serve a three-year term, effective May 1, 2026, to expire April 30, 2029.
- Reappointing Laura Svancarek to serve a three-year term, effective May 1, 2026, to expire April 30, 2029.
- Reappointing Casey Twiggs to serve a three-year term, effective May 1, 2026, to expire April 30, 2029.

**COUNCIL SPONSORS:**

Council Members Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, and Walker.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

Appointing individuals to the Climate and Sustainability Commission (Commission) best aligns with the strategic priority policy related to fostering neighborhood, community, and economic development vitality and sustainability because the Commission oversees implementation of Tacoma’s Climate Action Plan as the City and community reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

**BACKGROUND:**

At the March 25, 2026, Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee meeting, the Committee conducted interviews and recommended the appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above.

**ISSUE:**

Positions need to be filled on the Climate and Sustainability Commission.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Commission will continue to operate without full membership.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee recommends the appointment and reappointment of the individuals listed above.



**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.