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SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of applicants to the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee
DATE: July 14, 2026

PRESENTATION TYPE:
 Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

SUMMARY:
 The Economic Development Committee will interview and may recommend up to four applicants to the full City Council for appointment or reappointment to the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee. Recruitment efforts for the open seats included distributing a news release and posting on the City’s website, and notifying over fifteen organizations. Below is a list of the applicants:

APPLICANT	COUNCIL DISTRICT	ELIGIBLE POSITION(S)
Veronica Jones	3	Council District No. 3
Maria Manalac	1	Council District No. 1
Katherine Ginn (seeking reappointment)	3	Council District No. 3
Angela Michaelis (seeking reappointment)	Outside City Limits	Certified Business No. 1 and Certified Business No. 2
Catina Patton (seeking reappointment)	Outside City Limits	Certified Business No. 1 and Certified Business No. 2

BACKGROUND:
 On April 12, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 40944 establishing the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee (Committee), to monitor compliance of the Equity in Contracting program per Tacoma Municipal Code Section 1.07.090(A).

The Committee is composed of 15 members from the following areas: (1) seven members recruited from: Certified Businesses, Large Prime, Union Signatory Firm, and Open-Shop Firm; (2) five for Council Districts (one for each Council District); and (3) three recommended by the Public Utility Board from Tacoma Public Utilities Service Areas. Members shall serve for a term of three years, to begin on September 1 and end on August 31.

ISSUE:
 Positions need to be filled on the Committee.

ALTERNATIVES:
 The Committee will continue to operate without full membership.

FISCAL IMPACT:
 There is no fiscal impact.



RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests the Economic Development Committee recommend the appointment or reappointment of up to four applicants to the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee, which will be forwarded to the full City Council on August 11, 2026.