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SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of applicants to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities
DATE: July 23, 2026

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

SUMMARY:

The Community Vitality and Safety Committee will interview and may recommend up to five applicants to the full City Council for appointment or reappointment to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities. 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:

APPLICANTS	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Amanda Harris	2
Frank Jackson	Outside City Limits
Veronica Jones	3
Maya Ramos	2
Krystina "Karrington" Sherman-Thomas	3
Cheri Coleman (seeking reappointment)	Outside City Limits
Hayley Edick (seeking reappointment)	1
Amin "Tony" Hester (seeking reappointment)	Outside City Limits
Billie Periman (seeking reappointment)	3

BACKGROUND:

The Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities (Commission) advises the City Council in policy making, and partners with the community to bring awareness of issues that affect individuals with disabilities. In addition, Commission members participate on committees, help educate the public about disability issues, and serve as a resource for City staff.

ISSUE:

Positions need to be filled on the Commission.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Commission will continue to operate without full membership.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests the Community Vitality and Safety Committee recommend the appointment or reappointment of up to five applicants to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities, which will be forwarded to the full City Council on August 18, 2026.