

Economic Development Committee

Members (Chair) CM Diaz, (Vice Chair) DM Bushnell, CM Palmer, and CM Scott; Alternate: CM Rumbaugh Staff Executive Liaison: Tanja Carter; Coordinator: Anna Le		Meetings 2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays 10:00am Zoom and TMB 243	CBC Assignments • Arts Commission • City Events and Recognition Committee • Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee • Convention Center Public Facilities District • Tacoma Creates Advisory Board
Date	Topic	Presenter(s)	Description
March 31	Grease Interceptor Improvement Project	Joy Rodriguez, Principal Engineer, Planning and Development Services; John Sunich, Principal Regulatory Compliance Analyst, Environmental Services	This presentation will review recommendations from the Fats Oils and Grease (FOG) Continuous Improvement Project and detail current efforts, including updates to the 2021 Side Sewer and Sanitary Sewer Availability Manual, with emphasis on Grease Interceptor Sizing and Installation requirements.
April 14	2026 Workforce Development Priorities, Impact, and Labor Market Analysis	Katie Condit, CEO; Josh Stovall, Director of Research and Data; Samuel Bradshaw, Senior Director of Business Solutions; Teresa Delicino, Senior Director of Sector Strategies, WorkForce Central	WorkForce Central will provide labor market analysis on the latest workforce trends for the City of Tacoma, and related priorities and strategies our local workforce system is delivering to respond and be proactive in this current economy. We will brief the committee on our role as the workforce development arm for City of Tacoma and Pierce County, and we will illuminate ways we partner with City of Tacoma, Pierce County, EDB, local education and training institutions, and Chambers to ensure a focus on good jobs, supports for local businesses, and pathways to self-sufficiency in Tacoma.
April 14	Enhancing Tacoma's Film Industry	Councilmember Jamika Scott	Council Member Jamika Scott will discuss her proposals to enhance the local film industry.
April 28	World Trade Center Annual Update	Michael Fowler, Executive Director, World Trade Center Tacoma	An informational presentation by the Executive Director of the Tacoma World Trade Center on the history, activities, and programs of the agency.
	Uwajimaya Returns to Tacoma	Debbie Bingham, Business and Economic Development Program Manager, Community and Economic Development	Uwajimaya has announced a new location in Tacoma which will mark their return to the City where their successful grocery/retail business began before WWII.