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SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of an applicant to the Climate and Sustainability Commission
DATE: August 12, 2026

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Committees, Boards and Commissions Interviews

SUMMARY:

The Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee will interview and may recommend one applicant to the full City Council for appointment to the Climate and Sustainability Commission. Below is the applicant:

APPLICANT	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Cierra McCarty	2

BACKGROUND:

With the passage of Ordinance No. 29014, the Climate and Sustainability Commission (Commission), replaced the Sustainable Tacoma Commission May 1, 2025. The Commission will maintain the same vital mission of bringing community accountability, transparency, and vigilance to the long-term implementation of Tacoma's Climate Action Plan and sustainability initiatives.

The Commission consists of thirteen members appointed by the City Council. Membership is for three years, includes a balanced representation of stakeholders, such as the environmental community, small business, labor, housing, industry and port, transportation, education, building industry; and members must reside within the boundaries of the City.

ISSUE:

A position 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 Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee recommend the appointment of one applicant to the Climate and Sustainability Commission, which will be forwarded to the full City Council on August 25, 2026.