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SUBJECT: Downtown Tacoma Partnership 2026-2027 update
DATE: March 10, 2026

PRESENTATION TYPE:
Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:
This informational presentation by the executive director of the Downtown Tacoma Partnership will provide a brief overview of the past year’s activities, the Business Improvement Area budget development, and plans for the upcoming year.

BACKGROUND:
In 1988, upon presentation of a petition from downtown property owners representing 50 percent or more of the property assessments, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 24058, establishing the Business Improvement Area (“BIA”) for a period of ten years. In 1998, 2008 and 2018 pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 26205, 27696, and 258496 the BIA was reestablished for three additional ten-year terms, through 2028. The City collects the annual assessments and reimburses the BIA for program expenditures through an annual contract. On March 24th, the City Council will consider renewing the BIA for the 39th year (May 1, 2026 - April 30, 2027).

ISSUE:
This is an information briefing only.

ALTERNATIVES:
This is an information briefing only. There are no alternatives presented.

FISCAL IMPACT:
This is an information briefing only. There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:
This is an information briefing only. There is no recommendation.