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SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of volunteers to serve on "For" and "Against"
Committees for Safe Homes for All Initiative Measure No. 1
DATE: July 21, 2026

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Request for Resolution

SUMMARY:

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will review and may recommend to the full City Council for consideration volunteers to serve on "For" and "Against" Committees that will prepare statements "for" or "against" Safe Homes for All Initiative Measure No. 1, which will appear in the Voters' Pamphlet for the November 3, 2026, Special Election.

BACKGROUND:

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will consider letters of interest at their regularly scheduled meeting on July 21, 2026, and may provide recommendations. The names of the individuals recommended for appointment will be considered by resolution at a City Council meeting.

Per RCW 29A.32.280, for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local Voters' Pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than the resolution deadline, formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' approval of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the measure.

ISSUE:

Individuals need to be appointed to serve on "For" and "Against" Committees and submitted to the Pierce County Auditor by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2026.

ALTERNATIVES:

If the City fails to appoint "For" and "Against" Committees by the deadline, the Pierce County Auditor's Office will seek out and, whenever possible, appoint up to three members to each committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests the Government Performance and Finance Committee recommend individuals to the full City Council for consideration to serve on "For" and "Against" Committees to prepare statements "for" and "against" Safe Homes for All Initiative Measure No. 1, which will appear in the Voters' Pamphlet for the November 3, 2026, Special Election.