

Economic Development Committee			
Committee Members (Chair) DM Daniels, (Vice Chair) CM Diaz, CM Bushnell, and CM Scott Alternate: CM Rumbaugh; Executive Liaison: Tanja Carter; Coordinator: Anna Le		2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays of the month 10:00am Zoom and TMB 248	CBC Assignments • City Events and Recognition Committee • Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee • Convention Center Public Facilities District • Tacoma Arts Commission • Tacoma Creates Advisory Board
Date	Topic	Presenter(s)	Description
October 14, 2025	Community and Economic Development Strategic Plan 2026-2030 First Draft Review	Debbie Bingham, Business and Economic Development Manager, Community and Economic Development	Staff will present the first draft of the 2026-2030 Community and Economic Development Strategic Plan for Committee questions and input.
	Neighborhood Business Districts Program Update	Carol Wolfe, Division Manager, Community and Economic Development; Shari Hart, Business and Economic Development Analyst, Community & Economic Development	This presentation will provide an overview of the refreshed Neighborhood Business District Program, highlighting updated strategies to better support local businesses, enhance public spaces, and drive inclusive economic growth. Staff will also share next steps for implementation.
October 28, 2025	Tacoma Creates Annual Report	Clarissa Gines, Tacoma Creates Program Coordinator; Lisa Jaret, Tacoma Creates Program Manager; Rebecca Solverson, Arts and Cultural Vitality Division Manager, Community and Economic Development; Katie Mattran, Chair, Tacoma Creates Advisory Board	This presentation will provide updates to the Economic Development Committee regarding the 2024-25 program year for Tacoma Creates, and the positive impacts of this funding in the community. We will share highlights from our annual report, including details about the funds distributed to dozens of local non-profit cultural organizations, and examples of programming happening downtown and in neighborhoods across the City.
	Jobs 253 and the Maritime 253 Skills Center	Stephanie Glenisky, Career and Technical Education Director; Kristie Wolford, Maritime 253 Skills Center Director, Tacoma Public Schools; Deborah Trevorow, Business and Economic Development Analyst, Community and Economic Development	This presentation will provide key updates on Tacoma Public Schools' Jobs 253 Program and the expansion of workforce development initiatives, including the launch of the Maritime 253 Skills Center. Attendees will learn about our growing partnerships with industry, recent successes in student employment and credentialing, and strategic plans to strengthen career-connected learning across priority sectors. The session will also outline upcoming opportunities to deepen collaboration and expand equitable access to high-demand, high-wage career pathways.
November 11, 2025	Cancelled	--	--