

City of Tacoma

TO: Hyun Kim, Interim City Manager

FROM: Nicole Emery, City Clerk, City Attorney's Office

COPY: City Council

SUBJECT: A resolution appointing Ronelle Jones to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma

Housing Authority – Requested for December 9, 2025

DATE: November 10, 2025

SUMMARY:

A resolution appointing Ronelle Jones to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) to fill an unexpired term, to expire August 28, 2030.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Victoria Woodards

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

This action will encourage and promote an open, effective, results-oriented organization by ensuring the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) has full membership and can continue to oversee the management and operation of the THA.

BACKGROUND:

Under Tacoma City Charter Section 2.4, appointments may be made by a majority vote of the City Council from names presented in writing to the City Council by the Mayor. Tacoma Housing Authority Commissioner Michael Purter completed his current term on August 26, 2025, and the position is currently vacant. On November 10, 2025, Mayor Woodards nominated Ronelle Jones for appointment to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority in writing to City Clerk Nicole Emery.

ISSUE:

There is a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority which should be filled so the Board has full membership.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority can still meet; however, it will have an expired term until an appointment is made.

RECOMMENDATION:

Mayor Woodards is recommending the appointment of Ronelle Jones to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a term ending on August 28, 2030.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.