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Applicants Sought for Tacoma's New Urban Design Board

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Greetings District 5 neighbors,

The Tacoma City Council updated portions of our land use code to revamp how we review development in our Mixed Use Centers to support goals for high-quality built environment. This change also created the new Urban Design Board (UBD) tasked with ensuring that larger new development in Tacoma's Mixed Use Centers aligns with the Tacoma's vision for a built environment that is well-designed, functional, and culturally expressive.

We're seeking passionate community members to fill the inaugural slate of members in seven key positions. I'd love to see district 5 well represented on the board and influence the future of Tacoma's urban landscape. Apply today on the City's [Committees, Boards and Commissions webpages](#).

Positions available:

- Design and Development Professional—four (4) positions: Those encouraged to apply include candidates with professional experience related to site and building design and development from fields such as architecture, landscape architecture, planning, urban design, land use or real estate law, real estate development, construction or building trades, and civil or structural engineering.
- Allied Community Representative—three (3) positions: Seeking candidates with lived and/or professional experience and/or training relevant to three urban design priorities: active/multimodal transportation, sustainable development, and culture and heritage. One representative is to be appointed for each of these three priority subject areas.
- Applicants' expertise may potentially span various fields, including, but not limited to, transit agency administration, transportation planner or engineer, "green" building professional, urban forestry professional, environmental planner, artisan/craftsperson, historian, architectural history professional, and cultural organization administrator.

The City is committed to fostering an equitable and anti-racist organization and wants its committees, boards, and commissions to reflect Tacoma's diverse community. For these vacancies, BIPOC, LGBTQ+ individuals, individuals with disabilities, seniors, immigrants, and refugees are especially encouraged to apply.

You can learn more about this board on the [More about the Board Fact Sheet.](#)

Thank you,

Council Member Joe Bushnell
Tacoma City Council, District 5



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