



## Media Advisory

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## **Statements From the City of Tacoma on Police Chief Avery Moore's Administrative Leave**

**Elizabeth Pauli**  
**City Manager**

"I placed the Chief of Police on administrative leave on Wednesday, September 25 to enable a fact-finding relating to the personal use of a City asset and statements made relating to that use. I have concluded that the facts and circumstances of the use of the asset, subsequent cost reimbursement and statements made around the use and reimbursement, while not intended to mislead, did not meet expected standards of professional judgment. As a result, I have given a verbal counseling and the Chief will resume his full duties as Chief of Police. The Chief and I stand together in holding ourselves to the highest standards in exercising discretion and judgment in the positions we hold. Our shared focus remains on upholding and supporting the entire police department in the good work they are doing for our community."

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**Avery Moore**  
**Chief of Police**

"I was placed on administrative leave to ensure that a thorough and impartial investigation could take place. I accept my discipline and am ready to move forward, fully committed to continuing my work with the Tacoma Police Department and serving the city that I proudly call home. My dedication to the department and this community remains unwavering, and I look forward to restoring the trust and integrity that have defined my career."