

TACOMA AREA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AGENDA

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2024 – 4:00-6:00 PM

Remote Online Meeting Via Zoom and Live at
Tacoma Municipal Building
747 Market Street, Conf. Room 248
Tacoma, WA 98402

WELCOME

Land Acknowledgement: ***“We gratefully acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.”***

Tacoma and TPU main campuses are both on these traditional lands. Even though none of us participated in taking indigenous land, those of us who are not native still benefit from the fact that it happened.

- 4:00 Call to Order /Roll Call
- 4:04 Ice Breaker/” What is one of your inspirational books or readings”
- 4:15 Adoption of Agenda/Additions/New Business
- 4:18 Acceptance of the Minutes from October 11, 2024
- 4:25 Public Comment
- 4:30 Presentation and Review of Draft Support Letter Regarding Decriminalization of Psychedelic Drugs That Offer Healing Impacts

Cole Schrim, M.Ed, LMHC, NCC, MHP, Community Organizer

COD Members:, Chair; Amin Tony Hester, Vice Chair, Hayley Edick: , Aimee Sidhu, Anthony Caldwell,

Lukas Barfield, Cheri D. Coleman, Wanda McRae, and Billie Periman
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4:50 Question and Answer and Discussion of Support Letter and Changes

5:00 Vote on Support Letter

5:05 Chair Reports

- Chair Hester
- Vice Chair Edick

5:10 Liaison Report – Office of Equity & Human Rights – Lucas Smiraldo

1. Feasibility Study Update
2. Equity Index and Equity Map Workshop
3. New Office Restructuring (OEHR now working under *Office of Strategic Priorities* (working title) with Office of Climate and Sustainability, Office of Strategy and Government Relations (TMB North. Tour offered to Commissioners who are in person after the meeting)

5:20 Subcommittee Reports

- Disability Resources and Access Platforms (**Commissioners Coleman and Caldwell**)
- Transportation Access (**Commissioner Edick**)

A. Existing Active Subcommittees:

- Public Works (**Commissioner Caldwell**)
- Emergency Management (Vacant)

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B. Currently Inactive Subcommittees:

- Information Technology (Inactive)
- Public Safety (Inactive)
- Education (Inactive)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disability Resources and Access Platforms— Cheri Coleman and Caldwell, Co Chairs, McRae, Periman. Sidhu
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation—Hayley Edick, McRae, Barfield, Hester, Periman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Works—Anthony Caldwell, Chair, Barfield, Hester, Luke Byram
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Management—Todd Holloway, Ivan Tudela

Two Year Strategic Plan Priorities 2024-2026
1. Organize a “State of Disability in Tacoma” Report in Collaboration with Community Partners
2. Focus on Transportation Needs for People with Disabilities as a primary objective of the new Transportation Access Subcommittee.
3. Develop and enhance platforms of access for disability resources in partnership with agencies and entities that have established or are developing similar work.
4. Expand outreach and community engagement to include community events such as festivals, speaker engagements, resources fairs and other community facing opportunities.
5. Seek opportunities to partner with other City of Tacoma Commissions, Boards and Committees to pursue common interests and intersecting advocacy missions.

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5:30 Ivan Tudela—Pierce County Human Services
Emergency Management Update—Todd Holloway, Ivan Tudela

5:35 Tony Hester—Report from PCAC

5:45 Individual Commissioner Reports

5:50 Invitation for community input

5:55 Good of the Order

6:00 Meeting Adjourned

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