



CITY OF TACOMA COMMITTEES • BOARDS • COMMISSIONS

## TACOMA AREA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

### AGENDA

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025 – 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 do you like most about Spring in the Pacific Northwest?”
- 4:12 Adoption of Agenda/Additions/New Business
- 4:15 Acceptance of the Minutes TACOD Regular Meeting from March 13, 2025
- 4:18 Public Comment
- 4:20 Nominations for TACOD Officers for 2025 (Vote in June)

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

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### 4:45 Chair Reports

- Chair Hester
- Vice Chair Edick

### 5:00 Liaison Report – Office of Equity & Human Rights – Lucas Smiraldo

1. Lucas Health Update
2. New COT Website
3. Update on scheduling sidewalk coordinator to speak
4. Tacoma Dome Station Move Through Invite:

From Artie Nelson: Hope all is well. I wanted to reconnect with you to coordinate upcoming dates and times for members of the ST Tacoma Dome Access Improvements project team to host a walking tour with TACOD within the Tacoma Dome station area. The project team plans to lead participants along the areas of improvement projects under consideration to understand current conditions and provide an opportunity for TACOD members to share areas of concerns and accessibility needs. Please let me know if any of the dates and times below are feasible; or feel free to suggest additional dates and times that will work for most people on your end. **For all proposed dates, we assume a 2-hr event that can take place around lunchtime.**

#### **Dates (Week of May 19):**

- Tuesday, May 20
- Wednesday, May 21
- Friday, May 23

5. CBC Orientation Workshop Debrief (Next Orientation Monday June 16<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM)
6. Reminder to complete Open Public Meeting Act (OPMA) Training at Attorney General Website and Report Access Issues.

#### **A. New Subcommittees:**

- Disability Resources and Access Platforms

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- Transportation Access (Will include Accessible Taxi)

### **B. Existing Active Subcommittees:**

- Public Works
- Emergency Management

### **C. Currently Inactive Subcommittees:**

- Information Technology
- Public Safety
- Education

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

## 5:15 Report from Active Subcommittees

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

5:25 Ivan Tudela—Pierce County Human Services

5:30 Tony Hester—Report from PCAC

5:35 Individual Commissioner Reports

5:40 Invitation for community input

5:45 Good of the Order

5:50 Meeting Adjourned

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