



# City of Tacoma

## Board of Ethics Minutes

Tacoma Municipal Building North

733 Market Street

City Clerk's Conference Room 12

**January 10, 2018**

**6:30 PM**

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### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** 5 – Joseph Atkinson, Katie Baird, Linda Batway, James McCarty

**Board Members Absent:** 1 – Ohad Lowy

**Staff Members Present:** 2 – Martha Lantz, Deputy City Attorney, and Doris Sorum,  
City Clerk

### 2. Staff Introductions

Board Members and staff members provided introductions.

### 3. Election of Officers

Ms. Lantz explained the procedure to nominate and elect the Chair and Vice Chair.

**MOTION: Ms. Batway moved to nominate Mr. Atkinson as Chair.**

**SECONDED BY: Ms. Baird.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 4 – Atkinson, Baird, Batway, and McCarty

**Absent:** 1 – Lowy

Discussion ensued regarding the position and responsibilities of Vice Chair.

**MOTION: Ms. Batway moved to nominate Ms. Baird as Vice Chair.**

**SECONDED BY: Mr. McCarty.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 4 – Atkinson, Baird, Batway, and McCarty

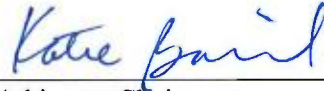
**Absent:** 1 – Lowy

#### 4. Other Business

Discussion ensued regarding updating the website and minutes, best practices and examples from other agencies, options to form a subcommittee to research and recommend updates to the Ethics Code, past code updates, public access and transparency, a review of the types of ethics complaints received in past years, closed sessions, and communicating with the public.

#### 5. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



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Joseph Atkinson, Chair



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Doris Sorum, City Clerk