



**City of Tacoma
Public Utility Board Meeting**

**September 23, 2026; 6:30 p.m.
Tacoma Public Utilities – Ground Floor Auditorium
3628 S 35th Street, Tacoma WA 98409**

**Join remotely: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84626080846>
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Call to Order

Roll Call

- A. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings**
- B. Comments by the Public**
- C. Regular Agenda**

Departmental

- C-1 Resolution U-11626- A resolution to award certain contracts and approve certain purchases:
- 1. Award three-year contract to Toba Consulting LLC to provide program management and organizational change management services in support of Tacoma Power's intended 2028 implementation of Markets+, a day-ahead energy market that will be operated by the Southwest Power Pool (\$3,000,000, plus a \$600,000 contingency, plus applicable taxes) [Rick Applegate, Principal Data Analyst];
 - 2. Increase and extend contract to ICF International (previously known as the Applied Energy Group) for the 2028-2029 conservation and demand response potential assessments (\$469,660, plus applicable taxes. Projected contract total \$819,660, plus applicable taxes. Contract extension through June 30, 2028) [Gemma O'Connor, Power Energy Programs Analyst];
 - 3. Increase and extend contract to Spheros Environmental (formerly Four Peaks Environmental & Data Solutions) for continued fisheries professional services to inform the three-year fish collection efficiency evaluation at the Cowlitz Falls Dam North Shore collector (\$450,000, plus applicable taxes. Projected contract total \$1,350,000, plus applicable taxes. Contract extension through June 30, 2028) [Sean Luis, Natural Resources Principal Analyst];
 - 4. Increase and extend contract to Absher Construction Co, for the full design of the TPU Administrative Complex Parking and Storage project, and early guaranteed maximum price of the new shops building addition, south access gate, enclosed parking, canopy covered parking, and covered storage (\$15,223,225, plus applicable taxes, plus a five percent contingency. Projected contract amount \$17,285,258, plus applicable taxes. Contract extension to through October 30, 2027) [Garth Nelson, Principal Engineering Project Mgr].

Tacoma Water

C-2 Resolution U-11627 – Declare surplus and authorize the no-cost transfer of three vacant Tacoma Water properties; Pierce County Assessor Tax Parcel Nos. 0319031019, 0319052079, and 0319053157, to Pierce County for the development of affordable housing [Greg Muller, Real Property Supervisor].

D. Adjournment

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