



CITY OF  
**TUMWATER**

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
MEETING AGENDA**

**Council Chambers, Tumwater City Hall  
555 Israel Rd. SW, Tumwater, WA 98501**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2026  
6:00 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Recognition of Terry Kirkpatrick's 20 Years of Service on the Planning Commission (Community Development Department)
4. Update from Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA) (Executive Department)
5. Home Energy Score Program Update (Water Resources & Sustainability Department)
6. Mayor/City Administrator's Report
7. Adjourn

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TO: City Council  
FROM: Sharon Lumbantobing, Deputy Community Development Director  
DATE: May 12, 2026  
SUBJECT: Recognition of Terry Kirkpatrick's 20 Years of Service on the Planning Commission

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1) Recommended Action:

Recognize Terry Kirkpatrick's 20 years of service to Tumwater through the Planning Commission.

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2) Background:

Tumwater recognizes the outstanding contribution of Terry Kirpatrick who has volunteered 20 years of service to the City. This certificate acknowledges his long-standing service, commitment to the community, and contributions to thoughtful planning and decision-making in Tumwater.

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3) Policy Support:

Vision, Mission, Values

Partnership: We work in partnership with residents, businesses, community organizations, and governments to address challenges and advance shared goals.

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4) Alternatives:

None

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5) Fiscal Notes:

No fiscal impact.

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6) Attachments:

A. None

TO: City Council  
FROM: Paul Simmons, City Administrator  
DATE: May 12, 2026  
SUBJECT: Update from Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA)

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1) Recommended Action:

This is an informational only item. No action is requested.

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2) Background:

The Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA) is a local government agency responsible for regulatory and enforcement authority for air quality issues in Thurston, Mason, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Pacific, and Clallam counties. ORCAA works in partnership with local jurisdictions, including the City of Tumwater, to ensure compliance with state and federal air quality standards and to promote public health through pollution reduction efforts. Councilmember Joan Cathey currently serves on the Board of Directors for ORCAA as a Tumwater representative.

Jeff Johnston, Executive Director for ORCAA is here to provide an update relating to items that directly impact our community.

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3) Policy Support:

Vision, Mission, Values

Partnership: We work in partnership with residents, businesses, community organizations, and governments to address challenges and advance shared goals.

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4) Alternatives:

None

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5) Fiscal Notes:

This update has no fiscal impact.

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6) Attachments:

A. None

TO: City Council  
 FROM: Alyssa Jones Wood, Sustainability Manager  
 DATE: May 12, 2026  
 SUBJECT: Home Energy Score Program Update

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1) Recommended Action:

No action is requested. This is an opportunity for discussion about the topic.

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2) Background:

In 2021, the City Council accepted the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan (TCMP) via Resolution No. R2021-001. In March 2024 the City entered into an Interlocal Agreement with Olympia, Lacey, and Thurston County to support the implementation of the 2024 Thurston Climate Mitigation Collaborative Regional Initiatives, which includes the development of a Home Energy Score ordinance, which aims to establish a home energy performance disclosure requirement at the time of listing real estate.

At the February 24, 2026 City Council Work Session, all members of the City Council encouraged further discussion of this topic. On March 17, 2026, Thurston County passed the Home Energy Score Ordinance. On April 14, 2026, Olympia also passed the Home Energy Score Ordinance.

This briefing intends to respond to questions raised by Council previously, compare ordinance adoptions by the County and City, and determine next steps for the City of Tumwater as reflected by the Alternatives, below.

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3) Policy Support:

- City Council Strategic Plan 2026 – 2032: Be a leader in environmental health and sustainability.
    - Implement the Climate Element of the Tumwater Comprehensive Plan, inclusive of the Thurston Climate Mitigation plan.
  - Climate Element of the Tumwater Comprehensive Plan
    - CL-4.2. Reduce energy use in existing residential buildings.
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4) Alternatives:

- Draft an ordinance for Council consideration.
  - Develop a voluntary program.
  - Take no action.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

To date, the city spent \$14,875 plus staff time holding professionally moderated focus groups and developing a draft regional model ordinance. \$37,500 is included in the 2025-2026 budget to support implementation of a program (launching IT systems, developing a branded report template, Home Energy Score Assessor onboarding and enrollment,

required quality assurance, rebate processing workflow, etc.) with an additional \$4,000 annual subsidy for low-income households.

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6) Attachments:

None.