# PETITION TO TACOMA CITY COUNCIL

## Save Cushman Substation from developers!

NORTH END Neighborhood Council

Whereas the historic Cushman and Adams Substations were built by the residents of Tacoma for the benefit of Tacoma residents; and

Whereas these buildings of nationally historic significance have been listed on national, state and local registers of historic places and their value recognized as integral to our shared collective history as a community; and

Whereas the Tacoma Comprehensive Plan Policy UF-13.28 for this area of Tacoma states that the City should "Encourage the conversion of electrical substations for recreational purposes if the sites are no longer needed for their intended purpose (pg. 2-61)",

Therefore, we the people of Tacoma, request that the Tacoma City Council:

1. **protect the Cushman and Adams Substations from private for-profit development** and work to ensure that the buildings and property be retained for public use in perpetuity;
2. **direct City of Tacoma staff to conduct a thorough and robust public process** to engage residents in planning for the future community use of these publicly-owned assets and the development of a master plan for the entire site;
3. **instruct the City Manager to conduct a study of examples of other cities that have repurposed similar surplus electrical facilities** for productive community uses, the means through which such facilities were funded, and to provide the results of such a study to the Council and the residents of Tacoma;
4. instruct the City Manager to **work with community nonprofit organizations toward the goal of repurposing and managing these buildings as public facilities** for the benefit of the community.

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