Dear City Clerk,

We need a Charter Amendment to change our form of government to full time, STRONG Mayor and Full Time Council. Remove the City Manager.

We have suffered enough with the lack of representation. Taxation without Representation is what we have and have had for several years. Special interests seem to have more say than the voters.

No raise for the mayor, she makes enough money and is not doing much with holding community meetings to hear what voters have to say and working on issues THE PEOPLE need to have done.

The City Council is underpaid and we cannot get better work from them if they have to look for money elsewhere – never mind that they accepted that task when they ran. The issue here is they have become beholding to getting paid by outside boards and voting on what those boards want – NOT what is best for the city.

Let’s have a full Charter Amendment this year so that we can elect better candidates and get busy bringing businesses to Tacoma to help us pay for these raises.

NO PAY RAISE FOR MAYOR.

Okay for Council but with a Full Charter Amendment this year – and start the next year with a better outlook.

Our council needs this. We can’t expect them to work hard for us if we don’t pay them better. BUT AGAIN, NO pay raise for the mayor.

Regards,
Esther Day