

**RESOLUTION NO. 39071** 

A RESOLUTION relating to government relations; authorizing the execution of a contract with Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$170,000, budgeted from the General Fund, for legislative lobbying services for the years 2015 and 2016.

WHEREAS the City Council annually identifies certain issues that it considers to be priorities for the upcoming sessions of the Washington State Legislature in order to: (1) communicate to legislators which issues are considered most significant to the City that year; and (2) provide direction for City staff to efficiently prioritize its efforts in representing the City Council's interest, and

WHEREAS the City Council has determined that because of the extent of legislation considered by the Washington State Legislature with potential impact on the City and the fact that the development of legislation is a year-round process, the City requires additional resources and expertise beyond what is available from City staff, and

WHEREAS the proposed contract with Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, LLC, will provide legislative lobbying services for the General Government for the years 2015 and 2016, and

WHEREAS this lobbying effort will be coordinated with the legislative lobbying requirements of the Tacoma Public Utilities Department, and

WHEREAS, in order to best achieve the legislative priorities of the City, it is in the City's best interest to enter into the contract with Gordon Thomas

Honeywell Governmental Affairs, LLC, to provide the necessary services for the General Government through the two-year legislative cycle; Now, Therefore,



## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a professional services contract with Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$170,000, budgeted from the General Fund, for legislative lobbying services for the years 2015 and 2016, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed contract on file in the office of the City Clerk.

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	Mayor	
attest:		
City Clerk		
approved as to form:		
City Attorney	•	