



## RESOLUTION NO. 41150

1 BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS BLOCKER AND USHKA

2 A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds in the amount of \$4,800,  
3 budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, for the purpose of funding  
4 two Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs members and a Council  
5 Member to attend the 2023 Welcoming Interactive conference.

6 WHEREAS in 2022, the Director of the Office of Equity and Human Rights,  
7 as well as the staff liaison for the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs  
8 ("CIRA"), attended the Welcoming Interactive conference ("Conference") to broaden  
9 the understanding of how to better align the City's immigrant and refugee inclusion  
10 efforts with other cities and initiatives from around the country, and

11 WHEREAS CIRA has identified areas of opportunity for the City Council to  
12 consider that will help CIRA better serve as a liaison between the community and  
13 the City, and support innovative welcoming and belonging strategies by sending  
14 two CIRA members and one Council Member to the annual conference, with an  
15 objective of learning from other municipalities and community groups about  
16 strategies that will help create a more inclusive community, and

17 WHEREAS the Office of Equity and Human Rights staff will also be in  
18 attendance at the Conference which will take place on April 26-28, 2023, in San  
19 Jose, California, and

20 WHEREAS this funding would cover costs associated with flights, hotel  
21 accommodations, registration, per diem, ground transportation, and any other  
22 miscellaneous fees, and

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WHEREAS, at the February 28, 2023, Study Session, Council Member Blocker shared a Council Consideration Request on behalf of Council Member Ushka to authorize the one-time use of \$4,800 from the Council Contingency Fund to fund two CIRA members and a Council Member to participate in the 2023 Conference, and

WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the Council Contingency Fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of adopting the budget, and

WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That one-time funding in the amount of \$4,800, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of funding two Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs ("CIRA") members and a Council Member to attend the 2023 Welcoming Interactive conference.



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Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to confirm deliverables with the CIRA for the purposes hereinabove enumerated, and document as appropriate.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney