



RESOLUTION NO. 40884

1 A RESOLUTION relating to revenue collection; approving the write-off of
2 uncollectible debt, for a total amount of \$234,289, pursuant to Municipal
Code Section 1.06.226.

3 WHEREAS the City's Finance Department regularly reviews amounts owed
4 to the City that are over five years old or less to assure that the City's financial
5 statements are accurate, and
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7 WHEREAS City staff has identified several accounts related to Public
8 Works, Planning and Development Services, and Tax and License that exceed
9 \$25,000, and require approval from the City Council to cancel the debt, and
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11 WHEREAS City staff has worked diligently to collect the revenue owed, with
12 efforts including multiple communications with vendors, payment plan options,
13 discussion with the legal department to file a claim in court, capturing amounts
14 from performance bonds, and/or referral to the City's collection agency, and
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16 WHEREAS, occasionally, after such efforts are made, it is determined that
17 some amounts are uncollectable and need to be written off; if the City fails to write-
18 off these uncollectable debts, the City's financial statements lose accuracy, as it
19 appears the City is owed more revenue than it actually anticipates collecting, and
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21 WHEREAS these uncollectable debts include: (1) work performed by the
22 Public Works Department for engineering, inspection and review for two different
23 developers, which total a write-off amount of \$54,426, (2) damages caused to
24 traffic signal cabinets by private citizens in the amount of \$89,345, owed to the
25 Public Works Department, (3) a commercial new building permit issued by
26 Planning and Development Services, which resulted in non-payment of an invoice



1 in the amount of \$64,129, following the expiration of the permit, and (4) an
 2 outstanding balance owed to Tax and License in the amount of \$26,389, due to a
 3 bankruptcy filing, and

4 WHEREAS the total amount of write-off is \$234,289, which is immaterial to
 5 the departments and the City as a whole; Now, Therefore,

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

7 That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to write-off
 8 uncollectible debt, for a total amount of \$234,289, pursuant to Municipal Code
 9 Section 1.06.226.
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 16 Mayor

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 19 City Clerk

20 Approved as to form:

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 22 Deputy City Attorney
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