



## RESOLUTION NO. 40597

1 A RESOLUTION relating to transportation systems; authorizing the execution of  
2 Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma, in  
3 the amount of \$500,000, accepting and depositing said sum into the Street  
4 Capital Projects Fund, in support of rail, Intelligent Transportation System  
5 improvements, and other improvements associated with the reconstruction  
6 of Taylor Way, from approximately 300 feet east of State Route 509 to the  
7 intersection of Alexander Avenue and East 11th Street, and authorizing  
8 Tacoma Water to make betterments to the water utility infrastructure along  
9 Taylor Way from 1,400 feet west of State Route (SR) 509 to Lincoln  
10 Avenue, as previously approved by the Public Utility Board.

11 WHEREAS, Taylor Way is a major arterial within the Port of Tacoma  
12 Manufacturing Industrial Center, which is the main corridor on the Blair-Hylebos  
13 Peninsula, an essential emergency access route, and part of Washington State's  
14 Truck Freight Economic Corridor System, which carries 4-10 million tons of freight  
15 annually, and

16 WHEREAS Taylor Way currently has failing pavement, poorly coordinated  
17 signals, deteriorating rail crossings, limited pedestrian access, and the intersection  
18 at State Route 509/Taylor Way has been ranked by the Washington State  
19 Department of Transportation ("WSDOT") as the second-worst congested  
20 intersection in a seven county area, and

21 WHEREAS, reconstruction of the rail crossings and road to heavy haul  
22 standards will allow freight and passenger vehicles to operate more efficiently, and  
23 will minimize road and rail maintenance, and

24 WHEREAS Intelligent Transportation System improvements, including  
25 roadway cameras, fiber optic communication, interconnected traffic signals, and  
26 electronic blank-out signs will allow the corridor to be managed for train movement,



1 roadway blockages/collisions, detours, and real time messaging to the traveling  
2 public, and

3 WHEREAS Port of Tacoma ("Port") funding for the project will be combined  
4 with City, state, and federal funding, including approximately \$18.3 million in  
5 grants, and  
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7 WHEREAS the City would benefit from partnering with the Port in  
8 reconstructing Taylor Way to heavy haul standards, and to improve connectivity  
9 along the corridor, by making traffic flow, communication with the public, and  
10 emergency management more effective and efficient, and  
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12 WHEREAS Tacoma Water has identified needed betterments to water  
13 infrastructure along Taylor Way, which can be more economically and efficiently  
14 upgraded in coordination with the reconstruction work, and

15 WHEREAS Tacoma Water desires to participate in the Taylor Way  
16 Rehabilitation Project to install a new intertie with the City of Fife and replace  
17 approximately 6,600 feet of water main along Taylor Way, from 1,400 feet west of  
18 State Route (SR) 509 to Lincoln Avenue, and  
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20 WHEREAS the total project cost of \$3,964,425.30 is fully funded and has  
21 been approved by the Public Utility Board, and  
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23 WHEREAS Section 4.11 of the Tacoma City Charter requires City Council  
24 approvals for significant betterments of utility infrastructure; Now, Therefore,  
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma, in the amount of \$500,000, accepting and depositing said sum into the Street Capital Projects Fund, for the purpose of rail, Intelligent Transportation System improvements, and other improvements associated with the reconstruction of Taylor Way, from approximately 300 feet east of State Route 509 to the intersection of Alexander Avenue and East 11th Street.

Section 2. Tacoma Water is authorized to participate in the Taylor Way Rehabilitation Project to make betterments to the water utility system along Taylor Way, including installation of a new intertie with the City of Fife and replacement of approximately 6,600 feet of water main, all as previously approved by the Public Utility Board.

Section 3. That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to take and execute any additional measures or documents that may be necessary to complete this transaction which are consistent with the approved form of documents referenced by this Resolution, and the intent of this Resolution.



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Section 4. That the City Council finds that this Resolution is necessary,  
routine, and consistent with Governor Inslee's emergency proclamation issued  
March 24, 2020, suspending portions of the Open Public Meetings Act for  
30 days.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney