



RESOLUTION NO. 40674

1 A RESOLUTION relating to public safety; accepting a grant from the Department
2 of Justice 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Juvenile Justice Assistance, in
3 the amount of \$268,680, equally split with Pierce County, for Body Worn
4 Cameras and docking stations for the Tacoma Police Department,
5 retroactive to October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2023.

6 WHEREAS on September 19, 2020, the City was awarded a grant by the
7 Office of Justice Programs at the Department of Justice, and

8 WHEREAS Pierce County and the City jointly applied for these funds and
9 pursuant to a memorandum of understanding will split the grant equally between
10 the two jurisdictions, with each jurisdiction receiving \$134,340 of these funds, and

11 WHEREAS the City will act as the lead agency for this grant and is
12 responsible for accepting the award and signing the necessary certifications to
13 receive the funds, and

14 WHEREAS the City will use its portion of the funds to purchase body worn
15 cameras ("BWC") and docking stations for the Tacoma Police Department ("TPD"),
16 subject to the development and implementation of BWC Policy and Procedures,
17 and

18 WHEREAS BWC are helpful in the documentation of evidence, officer
19 training, preventing and resolving complaints brought by members of the public,
20 and strengthening police transparency, performance, and accountability, and

21 WHEREAS in 2016, Project Peace was formed as a partnership between
22 the TPD and the residents of the City, which outlines several initiatives for
23 implementation within TPD to help foster better relationships between City
24 residents and the TPD, and



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WHEREAS, BWC are an important aspect of trust and legitimacy between law enforcement and the community they serve, and their purchase and use were included in these initiatives between TPD and Project Peace, and

WHEREAS the City will also use the previous years' funding from the 2018 and 2019 allocation to support the purchase of BWC, and

WHEREAS as a requirement of the grant application, the City has made the application and the City's response available for the public to review and provide comments on the City's website under the Neighborhood and Community Services page; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to accept a grant from the Department of Justice 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Juvenile Justice Assistance, in the amount of \$268,680, equally split with Pierce County, for Body Worn Cameras and docking stations for the Tacoma Police Department, retroactive to October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2023.



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Section 2. 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.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney