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**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Extension of Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma – July 31, 2018  
**DATE:** July 13, 2018

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**SUMMARY:**

A resolution authorizing the execution of a one-year extension of the Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma to continue providing a cooperative framework for coordinating certain stormwater management activities through September 30, 2019.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

The Environmental Services Department, in coordination with the Port of Tacoma (Port), will continue to work together in an efficient and effective manner to protect the environment and the Puget Sound.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Tacoma and the Port of Tacoma entered into an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for mutual cooperation and support regarding agency stormwater management in September 2013 under Resolution No. 38724. The purpose of the ILA is to memorialize the cooperation between the two agencies for managing the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (MS4). The existing ILA expires July 31, 2018. The Department of Ecology is also issuing new MS4 permits in 2019 to both entities. Any new MS4 permit requirements will be evaluated and may be incorporated into a new ILA.

**ISSUE:** Authorization is requested for a one-year extension of this agreement while both parties negotiate potential changes and updates to the language, reimbursement rates, and services detailed in the agreement for the preceding years. The ILA also contains language that documents cooperation for site inspections, provides for a courtesy review of stormwater requirements on Port projects that do not drain to City infrastructure, and a provision for reimbursing stormwater system work one party does for another.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Alternatives would be to let the ILA sunset or extend the ILA so both parties can revise the agreement to more appropriately suit current needs and enter into a new ILA.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

A resolution authorizing the execution of a one-year extension of the ILA with the Port to continue providing a cooperative framework for coordinating certain stormwater management activities through September 30, 2019.