



## RESOLUTION NO. 41033

1 A RESOLUTION relating to roadway safety; authorizing the execution of an  
2 Interlocal Agreement with the Washington State Department of Social  
3 and Health Services, in the amount of up to \$30,000, accepting and  
4 depositing said sum into the Transportation Capital Fund, for the piloting  
and installation of temporary traffic gardens and safety events, through  
June 30, 2024.

5 WHEREAS from 2016 to 2020, Washington State Department of  
6 Transportation data shows that 126 youth, ages 19 or younger, were hit by  
7 people driving in the City while walking or biking, and  
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9 WHEREAS teaching youth traffic safety skills at a young age is one  
10 piece out of a comprehensive approach to reducing youth injuries and fatalities  
11 while walking and biking, and

12 WHEREAS traffic gardens are small versions of roadways painted onto  
13 a paved surface that offer a playful low-stress environment for learning traffic  
14 safety, and to provide children with opportunities to safely practice biking,  
15 scootering, and the rules of the road in an environment designed at child-scale  
16 and free from motorized vehicles, and  
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18 WHEREAS this pilot with the Washington State Department of Social  
19 and Health Services (“DSHS”) Traumatic Brain Injury Council provides the  
20 DSHS team and the City with a partnership opportunity to test temporary traffic  
21 garden strategies, offer safety education and materials, and teach vital traffic  
22 safety skills in a fun environment, and  
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24 WHEREAS the proposed Interlocal Agreement provides the City’s Safe  
25 Routes to School program with up to \$30,000 to install temporary traffic  
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1 gardens, create educational and promotional materials, and host events that  
2 teach traffic safety skills and offer free helmets and proper helmet fit instruction  
3 for families, and

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5 WHEREAS potential locations will be prioritized using the Tacoma  
6 Equity Index and assessing areas that offer fewer play-spaces for young  
7 children; Now, Therefore,

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

9 Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to  
10 enter into an agreement with the Washington State Department of Social and  
11 Health Services (“DSHS”), in the amount of up to \$30,000, to be deposited into  
12 the Transportation Capital Fund, for the piloting and installation of temporary  
13 traffic gardens and safety events, through June 30, 2024, as more specifically set  
14 forth in the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.  
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Section 2. That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby directed to negotiate and execute an agreement with DSHS, outlining the scope of work and deliverables outlined in Section 1.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney