



RESOLUTION NO. 39321

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR STRICKLAND AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CAMPBELL
2 AND MELLO

3 A RESOLUTION authorizing the use of \$10,000 from the City Council Contingency
4 Fund for the Eastside Healthy Food Initiative; and directing the City
5 Manager to negotiate an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Health
6 Department outlining the specific uses of the funds and the deliverables.

7 WHEREAS poor food health contributes to poor school performance and to
8 health issues, such as diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and some cancers, and

9 WHEREAS a root cause of poor food health is poverty, as nutritional foods
10 can cost more than five times as much as processed and “junk” foods, and

11 WHEREAS the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department (“TPCHD”) has
12 an innovation initiative to improve the food health of low-income people living in the
13 Eastside of the City, as well as create sustainable jobs and small businesses based
14 on healthy food, which concept could grow to other communities in the future, and

15 WHEREAS the initiative strategies include: (1) a food business incubator,
16 including a fully equipped kitchen and business services, which will create an
17 “umbrella brand” so small producers can sell to large customers without the
18 obstacles of stocking and other related fees; (2) nutrition education, including
19 shopping, cooking, and presentation; and (3) a nonprofit food business with healthy
20 snacks, beverages, and ready-to-eat meal products, to be located in the Eastside of
21 the City at low-or no cost, to sell online and in other neighborhoods, and
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23 WHEREAS the planning phase of the initiative will cost approximately
24 \$80,000 for market analysis, product development, production planning, financials,
25 and management structure, and
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1 WHEREAS the TPCHD has obtained the following contributions toward the
2 initiative: \$30,000 from the Sequoia Foundation, Bamford Foundation, and
3 Multicare; a memorandum with Metro Parks to be prime tenant for the kitchen at the
4 new Eastside Community Center; and a contract with the Food Sciences Center
5 through Washington State University and University of Idaho, and

6 WHEREAS the TPCHD is requesting \$10,000 from the City to assist with the
7 funding of the initiative, and

8 WHEREAS, at the of November 17, 2015, Study Session, Council
9 Member Campbell shared a Council Consideration Request, sponsored by Mayor
10 Strickland and Council Member Mello, to authorize the one-time use of \$10,000
11 from the City Council Contingency Fund for the TPCHD initiative, and

12 WHEREAS City staff will negotiate and execute an agreement for services,
13 with terms and deliverables for the City's contribution, with funding to be contingent
14 upon the TPCHD securing additional funding to complete the \$80,000 planning
15 phase, as well as a financial report provided to the City which shows the source(s)
16 of the \$70,000 prior to receiving the \$10,000 contribution, and

17 WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less
18 than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now,
19 Therefore,

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

21 Section 1. That one-time funding in the amount of \$10,000, budgeted from
22 the City Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of
23 supporting the Eastside Healthy Food Initiative.
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Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to negotiate an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department for the purposes hereinabove enumerated.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney