



RESOLUTION NO. 38864

1 SPONSORED BY MAYOR STRICKLAND, DEPUTY MAYOR WOODARDS, AND
2 COUNCIL MEMBERS CAMPBELL AND MELLO

3 A RESOLUTION expressing support for the passage of Proposition No. 1
4 submitted by the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma at the April 22, 2014,
5 Special Election, for the purpose of financing neighborhood parks and zoo
6 improvements and safety upgrades; and urging Tacoma voters to vote
7 "Approved" on Proposition No. 1 on the April 22, 2014, Special Election
8 ballot.

9 WHEREAS the Board of Park Commissioners ("Board") of the Metropolitan
10 Park District of Tacoma ("District") have developed a plan of capital improvements
11 to the District's park and recreation facilities to provide the District and its citizens
12 with adequate, proper, and safe facilities, and

13 WHEREAS, in order to pay the costs of such improvements, it is deemed
14 necessary and advisable by the Board that the District issue and sell one or more
15 series of its unlimited tax levy general obligation bonds in the principal amount not
16 to exceed \$198,000,000, and

17 WHEREAS, the Board adopted Resolution No. RR15-14 on February 24,
18 2014, concerning a proposition to provide funds to construct, equip, renovate,
19 acquire and make certain capital improvements to its facilities, and

20 WHEREAS, if approved, the proposition would authorize the District to make
21 upgrades to the Point Defiance Park, Zoo & Aquarium, exhibits, and critical animal-
22 support systems; improve parks, security, deteriorating playgrounds, pools, sports
23 playfields, and family community centers; expand waterfront access; preserve
24 cultural and historical landmarks; protect natural areas, lakes, creeks, and trails;
25 and clean up arsenic-contaminated parks by issuing general obligation bonds in the
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1 aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$198,000,000, maturing within a
2 maximum term of 20 years, and to levy annual excess property taxes to repay the
3 bonds as provided in Resolution No. RR15-14, and
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5 WHEREAS the success of Tacoma's neighborhood parks and zoo is
6 dependent upon its citizens; Now, Therefore,

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

8 Section 1. That the City Council hereby expresses its support for the
9 passage of Proposition No. 1 submitted by the Metropolitan Park District of
10 Tacoma at the April 22, 2014, Special Election, for the purposes hereinabove
11 enumerated.
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13 Section 2. That the City Council urges Tacoma voters to vote "Approved"
14 on Proposition No. 1 on the April 22, 2014, Special Election ballot, substantially
15 in the form of the ballot title as follows:
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1 METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF TACOMA
 2 SPECIAL ELECTION – PROPOSITION NO. 1
 3 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS & ZOO IMPROVEMENTS AND
 SAFETY UPGRADES
 4 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS- \$198,000,000

5 The Board of Park Commissioners of the Metropolitan Park District of
 6 Tacoma adopted Resolution No. RR15-14 concerning bonds for
 7 neighborhood parks and recreation facilities and safety
 8 improvements. If approved, this proposition will authorize the District
 9 to upgrade Point Defiance Park, Zoo & Aquarium, exhibits and critical
 10 animal-support systems; improve parks, security, deteriorating
 11 playgrounds, pools, sports playfields, family community centers;
 12 expand waterfront access; preserve cultural and historical landmarks;
 13 protect natural areas, lakes, creeks, trails; clean up arsenic-
 14 contaminated parks; issue \$198,000,000 of general obligation bonds
 15 maturing within a maximum of 20 years and levy annual excess
 16 property taxes to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution
 17 RR15-14. Should Proposition No. 1 be:

18 APPROVED?
 19 REJECTED?

20 Adopted _____

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 22 Mayor

23 Attest:

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 25 City Clerk

26 Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney