



RESOLUTION NO. 41195

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS, DEPUTY MAYOR WALKER, AND
2 COUNCIL MEMBER RUMBAUGH

3 A RESOLUTION relating to transit development; directing the Planning
4 Commission and Transportation Commission to create a joint task force to
5 provide coordinated policy direction on transit-oriented development
6 policies and plans, with a particular focus on the upcoming periodic update
7 of the Comprehensive Plan, including the Transportation Master Plan.

8 WHEREAS the City Council created the Transit-Oriented Development
9 Advisory Group ("TODAG") through the adoption of Resolution No. 40303 on
10 April 16, 2019, to help support implementation of the community's transit-oriented
11 development goals and inform the design of significant transit projects throughout
12 the City, including the Dome District, one of the region's most transit-rich areas, and

13 WHEREAS the TODAG sunsetted at the end of 2022, and

14 WHEREAS the City Council is grateful to the volunteer community
15 members who participated in the TODAG and lent their knowledge, expertise,
16 perspective and time over the past few years to this important issue and helped
17 to provide thoughtful, impactful recommendations regarding the design of
18 significant transit projects and the path forward for how the City can best ensure
19 regional transit projects support the community's growth vision, and

20 WHEREAS in response to the City Council's request, the City Manager,
21 on January 18, 2023, recommended the following regarding the future of the
22 TODAG: (1) the City should consider the creation of a joint subcommittee (or
23 similar structure) of the Planning Commission and Transportation Commission to
24 improve coordination and streamline review and input regarding citywide policy-
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1 level issues around transit-oriented development, and (2) the City should
2 continue to utilize project-specific community advisory committees, with regard to
3 specific transit, infrastructure, and planning projects, where the direct, focused
4 input of local residents, businesses, key agencies, and partners is needed, and
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6 WHEREAS the City's growth strategy is centered around coordinating new
7 growth and development with public transportation investments to maximize the
8 impact and use of transit services, reduce the need for and use of single-occupancy
9 vehicles, and connect communities to jobs and services with more affordable
10 transportation options, and
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12 WHEREAS to support these goals, it is critical that the City partner with
13 the public transit providers in the community, and provide clear input on their
14 projects, to ensure they best align with the City's transportation system plans,
15 growth strategy, and equity, livability, and economic goals, and
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17 WHEREAS, the formation of a joint task force is recommended to help
18 ensure critical collaboration with our transit partners and coordinated input on
19 these critical policy issues and projects, and if adopted, staff from Planning and
20 Development Services and Public Works are poised to work with the Planning
21 Commission and Transportation Commission regarding the formation and
22 operation of this joint task force; Now, Therefore,
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That there will be established a joint task force of the Planning and Transportation Commissions to provide coordinated input on the overall design and integration of major, regional transportation projects in transit-oriented development areas and policy direction on transit-oriented development policies and plans, with a particular focus on the upcoming periodic update of the Comprehensive Plan, including the Transportation Master Plan.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney