



RESOLUTION NO. 39125

1 A RESOLUTION related to the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement
2 for Puget Sound Energy's proposed Liquefied Natural Gas facility in the
3 Tacoma Tidelands; authorizing the execution of a contract with Ecology and
4 Environment, Inc., in the amount of \$350,924, for the preparation of a Draft
5 and Final Environmental Impact Statement and for related services; and
6 accepting the sum of \$350,924 from Puget Sound Energy for deposit into
7 the Permit Services Fund, for reimbursement of said services.

8 WHEREAS Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") has proposed a \$275 million
9 Liquefied Natural Gas ("LNG") facility to be constructed at the corner of
10 11th Street and Taylor Way, on land leased from the Port of Tacoma, and

11 WHEREAS the facility would serve TOTE vessels as they convert from
12 diesel fuel to LNG for Alaska-bound trips; would act as a "peak-shaving" facility,
13 storing product for local use during times of high utility demand; and would
14 potentially create capacity for new LNG customers, and

15 WHEREAS, in September 2014, PSE stipulated to an Environmental
16 Determination of Significance, and the City entered into a cost-reimbursement
17 agreement with PSE for completing the environmental review responsibilities
18 under the State Environmental Policy Act ("SEPA"), and

19 WHEREAS the agreement provides that PSE will reimburse the City for
20 the services related to preparation and issuance of a Draft and Final
21 Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS") for the PSE LNG facility, and the City
22 will contract with and manage a third-party consultant to assist with the
23 environmental review, and

24 WHEREAS the City conducted a competitive solicitation for said services
25 and selected Ecology and Environment, Inc. as the successful proposer, and
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WHEREAS the scope of work includes technical and peer review of PSE's environmental studies and documents, an analysis of historic environmental reviews in the area, a cumulative effects analysis, and,

WHEREAS, under the direction of City staff, the consultant will prepare a Draft EIS for public review, manage the commenting and response on the Draft EIS, and prepare a Final EIS for issuance; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Ecology and Environment, Inc., in the amount of \$350,924, budgeted from the Permit Services Fund, for the preparation of a Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statement for Puget Sound Energy's proposed Liquefied Natural Gas facility in the Tacoma Tidelands, said agreement to be substantially in the form of the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to accept the sum of \$350,924 from Puget Sound Energy for deposit into the Permit Services Fund, for reimbursement of said services.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney