



## RESOLUTION NO. 39216

1 A RESOLUTION relating to public safety and human services; authorizing the  
2 execution of a five-year agreement with Pierce County to provide jail  
3 services for the City of Tacoma.

4 WHEREAS the City currently holds an agreement with Pierce County for  
5 booking and incarceration needs, which is set to expire on December 31, 2015,  
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7 WHEREAS, in March 2015, the Pierce County Sheriff's Office suspended  
8 services to the City based upon staffing shortages, and

9 WHEREAS the City also received notice from the City of Fife on March 2,  
10 2015, terminating the Jail Services Agreement Between the City of Fife and City  
11 of Tacoma effective May 30, 2015, and

12 WHEREAS, in late February, the City began working with Pierce County  
13 on a long-term agreement to supersede and replace the current agreement  
14 between the parties, as it became clear that an agreement for a long-term  
15 contract with the City of Fife was unlikely, and

16 WHEREAS the new proposed five-year jail services agreement with  
17 Pierce County provides that by October 1, 2015, the Pierce County Jail will be  
18 able to house up to 75 pre-sentence inmates daily, allowing the City to keep a  
19 substantial number of pre-sentence inmates in Pierce County, and

20 WHEREAS the proposed agreement provides that the City will make  
21 six monthly payments of \$98,996 to Pierce County in 2015, for a total of  
22 \$593,976, to hire new staff and provide for training and overtime wages during  
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1 the ramp-up period (second half of 2015), which will allow Pierce County to open  
2 a new pod to house City of Tacoma inmates, and

3 WHEREAS the proposed agreement provides that the City will pay Pierce  
4 County a rate of \$75.80 per inmate bed in 2015, representing a 21 percent  
5 decrease from the current daily rate of \$92 per inmate, and a rate of \$75.25 per  
6 inmate bed in 2016, which would yield a monthly payment of approximately  
7 \$171,665, based on 75 beds, and

8 WHEREAS booking fees will be \$50 per inmate and transport costs to the  
9 Tacoma Municipal Court will be \$120 per trip, regardless of the number of  
10 inmates transported on the trip, and  
11 inmates transported on the trip, and

12 WHEREAS the proposed agreement with Pierce County, in conjunction  
13 with proposed agreements with the Nisqually Indian Tribe and the South  
14 Correctional Entity ("SCORE"), will address the immediate need to replace the  
15 jail and related services no longer being provided by the City of Fife, and  
16 jail and related services no longer being provided by the City of Fife, and

17 WHEREAS, at a special meeting held on June 10, 2015, the Public  
18 Safety, Human Services and Education Committee considered the proposed  
19 agreement with Pierce County, together with the proposed SCORE Jail Services  
20 Agreement and Nisqually Indian Tribe Jail Services Agreement, and  
21 recommended all three agreements for consideration by the City Council; Now,  
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23 Therefore,

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

25 That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a Jail  
26 Services Agreement with Pierce County to provide jail services for the City for a



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period of five years, said document to be substantially in the form of the  
proposed agreement on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney