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RESOLUTION NO. 39790

BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS BLOCKER, IBSEN, AND WALKER LEE

A RESOLUTION authorizing the use of City Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of up to \$10,000, for expenses related to a comprehensive review and mapping of publicly owned land in the City, for the purpose of determining which properties could be utilized for affordable housing to benefit the public; and directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement, outlining the scope of work and deliverables.

WHEREAS, as Tacoma continues to thrive, the cost of living will continue to rise, and

WHEREAS, with increased development, there is significant interest in ensuring equity and continued affordability and resources for our residents while spurring economic development that serves the community's needs, and

WHEREAS, based on conversations originating from the Joint Municipal Action Committee, there is interest from peer local government agencies in developing a broader strategy to improve coordination and cooperation in deploying and activating real estate assets to address gentrification in at-risk neighborhoods and compliance with required U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") Assessment of Fair Housing principles to ensure community, economic, and environmental benefits in all neighborhoods within the City's borders, and

WHEREAS Forterra has proposed a comprehensive review to evaluate properties, create a framework for evaluating opportunities for utilizing publicly and privately owned real estate for public benefit, and complete a mapping of properties prime for use to benefit the community, and

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WHEREAS Forterra will gather data and map private land resources and combine these with public properties, with the initial stage of data gathering and mapping of public and private properties to culminate in recommendations to address at-risk neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS the outreach, strategies, and recommendations phase will interface with Forterra for use in HUD's required Assessment of Fair Housing in 2018 and 2019, and Assessment of Fair Housing training will be provided to Forterra and other stakeholder groups, at no cost, by the Fair Housing Center of Washington prior to the contract start date, and

WHEREAS Forterra's preliminary scope of work is estimated to be \$57,000, and, currently, Forterra, the Pierce County Council, Metro Parks, and Tacoma Housing Authority have all pledged \$10,000 towards this project, and

WHEREAS, at the August 8, 2017, Study Session, a Council Consideration Request was shared, requesting the City Council to formalize the City's commitment to these efforts by authorizing the use of up to \$10,000 of City Council Contingency Funding to convene a comprehensive review to evaluate properties, create a framework for evaluating opportunities for utilizing publicly and privately owned real estate for public benefit, and to complete a mapping of properties prime for use to benefit the community, community wealth building, and increased livability, and there was consensus to forward a resolution for full City Council consideration, and



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

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

Section 1. That one-time funding in the amount of up to \$10,000, budgeted from the City Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for expenses related to a comprehensive review and mapping of publicly owned land in the City, for the purpose of determining which properties could be utilized for affordable housing to benefit the public.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement, outlining the scope of work and deliverables for the services described in Section 1.

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