



## RESOLUTION NO. 40988

1 A RESOLUTION relating to wastewater; authorizing the execution of an  
2 amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (“Agreement”) with the University of  
3 Washington Tacoma Puget Sound Institute (“UWT”), to extend the  
4 Agreement for two additional years, to continue a sustainable program of  
work at UWT, to address regional modeling needs, stakeholder engagement,  
and model applications, through May 30, 2024.

5 WHEREAS the City has a need to execute an amendment to the Interlocal  
6 Agreement (“Agreement”) with the University of Washington Tacoma Puget Sound  
7 Institute (“UWT”), and

8 WHEREAS nutrient dynamics in the Puget Sound may be playing a part in  
9 lower dissolved oxygen levels in parts of the Puget Sound, and it is necessary to  
10 understand these nutrient dynamics in order to develop strategies that will best  
11 protect and enhance the health of Puget Sound, and

12 WHEREAS UWT is uniquely qualified to investigate nutrient dynamics and  
13 model scenarios that will provide insights into the effects of various sources of  
14 nutrients on dissolved oxygen levels in the Puget Sound, and UWT has the  
15 expertise to run and refine the Salish Sea model, and

16 WHEREAS the objective of this Agreement is to utilize the established  
17 modeling center and sustainable program of work at UWT, as well as the  
18 expertise of UWT to identify effective strategies for protecting the Puget Sound,  
19 and will inform discharge permits, stormwater mitigation strategies and other  
20 efforts that manage nutrient inputs to the Puget Sound, and

21 WHEREAS this Agreement will enable the City, participating agencies,  
22 government and non-government stakeholders and collaborators to have  
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1 increased model access, and to support confidence in model results and capacity  
 2 to undertake runs of interest in a timely fashion; Now, Therefore,

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

4 Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to  
 5 amend the Interlocal Agreement (“Agreement”) with the University of Washington  
 6 Tacoma Puget Sound Institute (“UWT”), to extend the Agreement for two additional  
 7 years, to continue a sustainable program of work at UWT to address regional  
 8 modeling needs, stakeholder engagement, and model applications through May 30,  
 9 2024, as more specifically set forth in the document on file in the office of the City  
 10 Clerk.  
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13 Section 2. That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby directed to  
 14 negotiate and execute an agreement with UWT, outlining the scope of work and  
 15 deliverables outlined in Section 1.  
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17 Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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 Mayor

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 City Clerk

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24 Approved as to form:

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 Deputy City Attorney