

RESOLUTION NO. 39072

A RESOLUTION relating to government relations; authorizing the execution of a contract with Simon and Company Incorporated, in the amount of \$160,701, budgeted from the General Fund, for legislative lobbying services for the years 2015 and 2016.

WHEREAS the City Council annually identifies certain issues that it considers to be priorities for the upcoming sessions of the United States Congress in order to: (1) communicate to legislators which issues are considered most significant to the City that year; and (2) provide direction for City staff to efficiently prioritize its efforts in representing the City Council's interest, and

WHEREAS the City Council has determined that because of the extent of legislation considered by the United States Congress with potential impact on the City and the fact that the development of legislation is a year-round process, the City requires additional resources and expertise beyond what is available from City staff, and

WHEREAS, in order to best achieve the legislative priorities of the City, it is necessary to retain the services of Simon and Company Incorporated to represent the City's interests before Congress, the administration, federal regulatory agencies, and to assist members of the City Council and City staff when they travel to Washington D.C. on City business; Now, Therefore,



BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA: That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Simon and Company Incorporated, in the amount of \$160,701, budgeted from the General Fund, for legislative lobbying services for the years 2015 and 2016, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed contract on file in the office of the City Clerk. Adopted ____ Mayor Attest: City Clerk Approved as to form: City Attorney