



City of Tacoma

## City Council Action Memorandum

**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** Jennifer Hines, Division Manager, Public Works Real Property Services  
Steve Victor, Deputy City Attorney  
**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Consenting to Delay Transfer of Carlton Center Building to UWT  
**DATE:** September 13, 2022

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### **SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:**

A resolution consenting to delay the transfer of the Carlton Center Building to University of Washington Tacoma.

### **COUNCIL SPONSORS:**

Council Member Keith Blocker

### **BACKGROUND:**

In 2004 Fred Roberson purchased the Carlton Center Building from the City of Tacoma. A condition of the sale that was consideration to the City for the price and other benefits conferred on buyer was that on his passing Roberson would bequeath the building to University of Washington Tacoma (UWT).

Mr. Roberson passed in July of 2022 and his Estate has requested that the Council's consent to allow the Carlton Building to pass into the Roberson irrevocable marital trust for the lifetime benefit of his wife, Mrs. Roberson, which was created under his Will. Upon Mrs. Roberson's death the marital trust will terminate, and the building will then be conveyed to the UWT. All other consideration to the City for the 2004 sale remains in effect. UWT has already provided their written consent to the delay.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:**

This Resolution impacts the owner of the Carlton Center Building and the UWT, The owner is requesting the Resolution and the UWT has consented.

### **2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

#### **Equity and Accessibility: *(Mandatory)***

Approval of this Resolution and subsequent conveyance of the building to UWT will facilitate educational opportunities for the community.

Identify which Tacoma 2025 strategic goals your legislation most relates to, and then identify the [Equity Index Score](#) for those goals in the geography your proposal will affect. Select the indicator(s) this legislation is most related to, then briefly explain how this legislation will impact the selected indicator(s) and/or improve the Equity Index Score. *Use the dropdowns below and refer to guide for more information.*



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**Economy/Workforce:** *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity  
Increase positive public perception related to the Tacoma economy.  
Select an indicator.

**Livability:** *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity  
Increase positive public perception of safety and overall quality of life.  
Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environ.

**Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).**  
This Resolution will facilitate a long term plan to increase community educational opportunities.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Presumably, your recommendation is not the only potential course of action; please discuss other alternatives or actions that City Council or staff could take. Please use table below.

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. Disapproval of the Resolution		Creates financial uncertainties for the building future as an educational facility
2.		
3.		

**EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:**  
No evaluation or follow-up from the City Council is needed.

**STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:**  
The administration recommends approval of this resolution.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  
Short term, the Agreement will result in \$40,000.00 to Tacoma Public Utilities. Long term, the Agreement will facilitate additional permits, development and taxes to City of Tacoma.

**What Funding is being used to support the expense? Not Applicable**

**Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium’s current budget?  
NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW**

Approval of the Resolution does not require any expenditures or any budgeted revenue.



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**Are there financial costs or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?**

No

**Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?**

No

**Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts?**

No

Click or tap here to enter text.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolution No. 36225 dated June 29, 2004