

RESOLUTION NO. 41344

 A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division, d.b.a. Tacoma Rail; authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Puget Sound Regional Council, in the amount of \$3,645,000, and depositing said sum into the Tacoma Rail Fund, to assist with the acquisition of two zero-emission locomotives and installation of associated on-site charging infrastructure.

WHEREAS the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline

Division (d.b.a. Tacoma Rail), was awarded a grant in the amount of \$3,645,000

from the Puget Sound Regional Council, to assist with the acquisition of two

zero-emission locomotives, and installation of associated on-site charging

infrastructure, and

WHEREAS Tacoma Rail was able to compete for a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funding award through the Federal Highway Administration through a joint application ("Application") with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, and

WHEREAS the Application proposed to replace two existing unregulated diesel-electric locomotives with two zero-emission battery-electric locomotives, including the associated charging infrastructure, and upon completion, the project will improve air quality by eliminating emissions associated with the annual consumption of approximately 65,000 gallons of diesel fuel from our operational activities, and

WHEREAS Section 4.11 of the Tacoma City Charter requires that all matters relating to the "incurring of indebtedness . . . shall be initiated by the Board, subject to approval by the Council, and executed by the Board," prior to acceptance of the Agreement, and



WHEREAS, by adoption of Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-11431 on January 10, 2024, the Public Utility Board approved the proposed Agreement, pending authorization from the City Council; Now, Therefore,

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

Section. 1. That the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division (d.b.a. Tacoma Rail) is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount of \$3,645,000 from the Puget Sound Regional Council ("PSRC") to assist with the acquisition of two zero-emission locomotives and installation of associated on-site charging infrastructure.

Section 2. That the Superintendent of Tacoma Rail is authorized to execute the grant agreement with the PSRC for the administration of the funding



accepted pursuant to Section 1, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed grant agreement on file with the City Clerk and as approved by the City Attorney's Office. Adopted _____ Mayor Attest: City Clerk Approved as to form: Chief Deputy City Attorney Requested by Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-11431