



RESOLUTION NO. 39668

1 A RESOLUTION relating to a Special Project; designating the Arts and Culture
2 Partnership Project as a special project of limited duration; designating
3 general salary classifications and benefits for persons employed on the
4 project pursuant to Tacoma Municipal Code 1.24.187 and Tacoma City
5 Charter 6.1(h).

6 WHEREAS the City's Community and Economic Development
7 Department ("CEDD"), Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality, oversees the coordination
8 and facilitation of public art projects and the maintenance and stewardship of the
9 Municipal Art Collection, and currently contracts with a service provider to assist
10 with these functions, and

11 WHEREAS, in addition to developing and managing public art projects for
12 City projects, the Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality provides public art management
13 services and consultant services to partner agencies such as Metro Parks, Sound
14 Transit, and the Tacoma Housing Authority, and

15 WHEREAS, in 2015, Metro Parks hired the Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality
16 to develop and manage its public art program and implement its new 1 Percent for
17 Arts policy and in 2016, several major projects were started, including at the Point
18 Defiance Park Aquarium and the Eastside Center, and

19 WHEREAS over 20 public art projects are currently in process, and
20 approximately half are with partner agencies, and

21 WHEREAS artist recruitment and selection is time-intensive and requires a
22 significant amount of process and coordination, and

23 WHEREAS, as the Municipal Art Collection grows, it is necessary to update
24 the data management system to properly manage the collection, and
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WHEREAS, in order to provide the administrative and technical support necessary to support this function, CEDD desires to designate the Arts and Culture Partnership Project (“Project”) as a special project of limited duration, to begin on March 1, 2017, and end no later that December 31, 2018, and

WHEREAS one part-time employee is anticipated to be employed; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Arts and Culture Partnership Project is hereby designated as a special project of limited duration, to begin on March 1, 2017, and end no later that December 31, 2018.

Section 2. That, in accordance with the provisions of Tacoma Municipal Code (“TMC”) 1.24.187 and Tacoma City Charter 6.1(h), employees who have been hired or may be hired for positions expected to be of limited duration shall be designated as unclassified special project employees as of the date of hire.

Section 3. That the salaries and classifications set forth in the Compensation Plan of the City of Tacoma for permanent employees, or the closest classifications, shall be applied, contingent upon funding, to similar positions of the special project. The Compensation Plan is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

Section 4. That employees who have been hired or may be hired as special project employees herein shall receive benefits in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of the Compensation Plan of the City of Tacoma.



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They shall be given a one-time binding and irrevocable election to participate in the City's Retirement System pursuant to TMC 1.30. Special project employees hired to work on the identified special project shall not be eligible for longevity pay; and further, that should any current regular employee eligible for longevity pay be assigned to the special project, the employee so assigned shall continue to be eligible for longevity pay and shall become or remain a member of the City's Retirement System pursuant to any applicable provisions of TMC 1.30, and contributions shall be paid therein by the City pursuant to TMC 1.30.360.

Section 5. That, inasmuch as the positions to be filled pursuant to this resolution are of a temporary nature and are unique in that they pertain only to the aforementioned special project, they are deemed unclassified, temporary positions of limited duration and persons so employed in such positions shall have no claim to further or continued employment with the City of Tacoma after cessation of such special project or after cessation of activities funded by said program, except pursuant to obtaining status as regular City of Tacoma employees under the provisions of the TMC or pursuant to further action of the City Council relating to this special project.

Section 6. That all acts by agents or employees of the City consistent herewith are hereby ratified.



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Section 7. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to direct the appropriate City officers to proceed with the necessary actions for the completion of this special project.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney