

RESOLUTION NO. 41256

A RESOLUTION relating to public safety; authorizing the execution of a loan and grant agreement with the Washington State Public Works Board, including a loan in the amount of \$750,000, and a loan forgiveness grant in the amount of up to \$250,000, for a cumulative total of \$1,000,000; and accepting and depositing said sum into the Transportation Capital Fund, for the Union Avenue Bridge Emergency Fire Damage Repair Project.

WHEREAS damage was sustained to the Union Avenue Bridge off-ramp due to a homeless encampment fire in February of 2023, with an initial assessment determining approximately \$1,000,000 worth of damage was done to the structure, and

WHEREAS following the assessment the Public Works Engineering Division began to pursue funding options to conduct the repairs and reopen the off-ramp to traffic, and

WHEREAS in June 2023, the City Council approved a Proclamation of Emergency retroactive to February 27, 2023, and in July of 2023, the Public Works Department was informed that the City was successful in obtaining approval for both a loan and grant from the Washington State Public Works Board, and

WHEREAS, under the grant process guidelines, the City Council must approve acceptance of loan and grant funding; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to accept funding from the Washington State Public Works Board ("Board") in the amount of \$750,000 through an emergency loan, and a loan forgiveness



grant up to \$250,000, for deposit into the Transportation Capital Fund, for the Union Avenue Bridge Emergency Fire Damage Repair Project.

Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a loan and grant agreement and any associated term extensions with the Board 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 in the office of the City Clerk.

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| Attest: | Mayor | |
| City Clerk | _ | |
| Approved as to form: | | |
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Deputy City Attorney