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## **RESOLUTION NO. 41343**

A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division. d.b.a. Tacoma Rail; authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Federal Railroad Administration, in the amount of \$4,095,000, and depositing said sum into the Tacoma Rail Fund, to assist with the acquisition of two zeroemission 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) ("Tacoma Rail"), was awarded a grant in the amount of \$4,095,000 from the Federal Railroad Administration ("FRA") to assist with the acquisition of two zero emission locomotives, and the installation of the associated charging structure, and

WHEREAS Tacoma Rail submitted an application in response to a competitive call for projects by the FRA's FY-2022 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements grant program, and

WHEREAS Tacoma Rail's application proposed to replace two existing unregulated diesel-electric locomotives with two zero emission battery-electric locomotives, including 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 the 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-11430 on January 10, 2024, the Public Utility Board approved the proposed Agreement, pending authorization by 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) ("Tacoma Rail") is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount of \$4,095,000, from the Federal Railroad Administration ("FRA"), to assist with the acquisition of two zero-emission locomotives and installation of associated on-site charging infrastructure, and to deposit said funding into the Tacoma Rail Fund.

Section 2. That the Superintendent of Tacoma Rail is authorized to execute the grant agreement with the FRA 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-11430