



RESOLUTION NO. 39870

1 BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBER CAMPBELL

2 A RESOLUTION authorizing the use of City Council Contingency Funds, in an
3 amount of up to \$10,000, for expenses related to the Eastside Food
4 Innovation District Project through the Livable City Year agreement with the
University of Washington Tacoma.

5 WHEREAS poor food health contributes to poor school performance and to
6 health issues such as diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and some cancers, and

7 WHEREAS a root cause of poor food health is poverty, as nutritional foods
8 can cost more than five times as much as “junk” and processed foods, and

9 WHEREAS, on November 24, 2015, the City Council adopted Resolution
10 No. 39321, authorizing a contribution of \$10,000 from the City Council Contingency
11 Fund to the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department’s (“TPCHD”) Innovation
12 Initiative, for the purpose of improving the “food health” of low-income residents in
13 East Tacoma, and to create sustainable jobs and small businesses based on
14 healthy food, and

15 WHEREAS the negotiated agreement with TPCHD stated that it must secure
16 an additional \$70,000 for the planning phase of the initiative prior to receiving any
17 funds from the City, and

18 WHEREAS the TPCHD was unable to raise the additional \$70,000 by
19 March 31, 2017, and the agreement expired because the funding contingency was
20 not met, and

21 WHEREAS Council Contingency Funds remain obligated for this purpose,
22 but have not been spent, and

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WHEREAS, on August 15, 2017, the City Council approved Resolution No. 39781, authorizing an agreement in the amount of \$350,000 with the University of Washington Tacoma (“UWT”) for the Livable City Year Program, for public health, urban design, economic development, and community services projects throughout the City, and

WHEREAS one of the designated projects is the Eastside Food Innovation District, which has the same purpose as the original TPCHD initiative, to address issues around access to healthy food in the Eastside of Tacoma, as well as jobs and business opportunities that will increase the resources available to Eastside residents, and

WHEREAS staff is recommending the redirection of \$10,000 of City Council Contingency Funds from the TPCHD initiative to the UWT Livable City Year Program project, and

WHEREAS RCW 35.33.145 and 35.34.250 authorize a withdrawal from the Contingency Fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of adopting the budget, and

WHEREAS the City Council’s request to use funds from the Contingency Fund for expenses related to the Eastside Food Innovation District Project is necessary and could not have reasonably been foreseen or evaluated at the time the City Council adopted the budget, and



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WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less than six members of the City Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund;

Now, Therefore,

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

That one-time funding in the amount of \$10,000, budgeted from the City Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for expenses related to the Eastside Food Innovation District Project through the Livable City Year agreement with the University of Washington Tacoma.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney