



RESOLUTION NO. 41213

1 A RESOLUTION relating to economic development; adopting the Tacoma
2 Green Economic Development Strategy, to support the transition of
3 existing local businesses and the recruitment of new businesses in
4 producing more environmentally friendly products and processes.

4 WHEREAS the City Council approved funding for a Green Economy
5 Study as part of its allocation of 2022 American Rescue Plan Act funds, and

6 WHEREAS in the course of the initial study, staff learned that only four in
7 ten (10) Seattle Metropolitan area families had a family-sustaining income prior
8 to the COVID-19 pandemic, and

9 WHEREAS staff determined to use the study findings to develop a
10 strategy with specific actions to prioritize in support of businesses and City's
11 workforce, and

12 WHEREAS the fundamental premise behind the strategy is that due to
13 consumer demand from households, businesses and a variety of sectors
14 including manufacturing and construction, government policy actions to combat
15 climate change, and federal and state funding opportunities, business practices
16 and products are going to become more green, which we call the "greening
17 economy", and

18 WHEREAS the strategy seeks to leverage the unique current policy and
19 funding opportunities to benefit the City by bolstering traded sector jobs that
20 bring revenue into the City and to prepare workers to do these types of jobs,
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WHEREAS the strategy is primarily focused on manufacturing in four key industry sectors: (1) clean energy; (2) industrial symbiosis; (3) green building products; and (4) maritime, and

WHEREAS the strategy was put forward by an Advisory Committee made up of representatives with a diverse array of perspectives, as well as one on one interviews and group engagements with environmental action groups, manufacturers, climate and workforce experts, policy makers and economic development organizations, and

WHEREAS during spring and summer, continued outreach will include Tacoma Public Schools, additional labor leaders, Tacoma Anchor Institutions, Washington Department of Commerce, and other groups to be identified; Now, Therefore,

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

That the Tacoma Green Economic Development Strategy to support the transition of existing local businesses and the recruitment of new businesses in producing more environmentally friendly products and processes, as recommended by the Community and Economic Development Department is hereby adopted,



said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed document on file in
1 the office of the City Clerk.

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Mayor

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9 City Clerk

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12 Deputy City Attorney
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