



RESOLUTION NO. 41227

1 A RESOLUTION relating to emergency management; authorizing the execution of
2 an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Seattle’s Office of Emergency
3 Management, in the amount of \$100,000, budgeted from the General Fund,
4 to merge funding for the purpose of establishing community resilience hubs,
5 a priority identified in the 2030 Climate Action Plan.

6 WHEREAS community resilience hubs (“Hubs”) represent an efficient and
7 effective way to strengthen communities before, during, and after emergencies like
8 earthquakes, extreme heat events, wildfire smoke events, water main breaks, or
9 gas outages while also improving year-round conditions and providing community
10 benefits, and

11 WHEREAS these Hubs can be owned and managed by public, private, and
12 nonprofit entities, and use a physical space, such as a building and its surrounding
13 infrastructure, to meet numerous goals, both physical and social, while also
14 providing a safe community space that can be used year-round, and

15 WHEREAS the partnership between the City and the City of Seattle’s Office
16 of Emergency Management (“OEM”) is a multi-faceted and comprehensive effort
17 that will help build a better, more resilient community and provide dedicated project
18 management and outreach efforts for the City in coordination with a regional
19 strategy, and OEM staff and consultants will lead existing and potential site
20 assessment and prioritization with direct community input, and

21 WHEREAS other Pierce County partners are already engaged in this
22 regional Federal Emergency Management Agency-funded project, including Pierce
23 County Emergency Management, Pierce County Sustainability Office, and the
24 Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, and



1 WHEREAS the project will focus on strengthening the community’s ability to
2 prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters and other significant events,
3 and includes developing a comprehensive plan to assess risk and vulnerabilities,
4 identify resources, and develop strategies to reduce risks and improve overall
5 community resilience, and
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7 WHEREAS the project will also collaborate with regional Puget Sound
8 jurisdictions to create a shared understanding of the risks and vulnerabilities faced
9 by each jurisdiction, as well as opportunities for collaboration to increase the
10 resilience of all communities in the region, and will also provide educational
11 resources and training to help individuals, families, businesses, and organizations
12 understand their roles in supporting and strengthening community resilience, and
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14 WHEREAS the Hub project will support these efforts by providing a
15 consistent platform for coordination, communication, and collaboration between
16 the City, the City of Seattle, and other regional Puget Sound jurisdictions, and
17 community engagement will be a key driver in prioritizing Hub locations, with
18 targeted representation in underserved neighborhoods, and
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20 WHEREAS this one-time General Fund allocation from the City will benefit
21 our community’s Hub assessment and planning, support our Climate Action Plan
22 with tangible actions, and contribute to the regional baseline work addressing
23 climate change impacts; Now, Therefore,
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the City of Seattle's Office of Emergency Management, in the amount of \$100,000, budgeted from the General Fund, to merge funding for the purpose of establishing community resilience hubs, a priority identified in the 2030 Climate Action Plan, as more specifically set forth in the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney