



RESOLUTION NO. 41717

1 A RESOLUTION setting Tuesday, August 12, 2025, upon completion of Regular
2 Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by
3 the City Council on the proposed amendments to the South Tacoma
4 Groundwater Protection District code, as recommended by the Planning
5 Commission.

6 WHEREAS the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District ("STGPD")
7 was established in 1988 as an overlay zoning district in response to the area's
8 vulnerability to groundwater contamination, and the district was created to
9 safeguard the South Tacoma aquifer system, a vital source of public drinking
10 water, and

11 WHEREAS the original ordinance introduced a regulatory framework
12 governing land use, stormwater infiltration, and the handling, storage, and
13 disposal of hazardous substances, and also established technical standards,
14 identified prohibited used, and included enforcement provisions, and

15 WHEREAS currently, the City is proposing a targeted update to Tacoma
16 Municipal Code ("TMC") 13.06.070.D, which contains the primary regulatory
17 provisions for the STGPD, and

18 WHEREAS amendments are also proposed to TMC 13.06.040.J,
19 13.06.060, 13.06.090.B and 13.06.090.J, to align development standards, such
20 as landscaping, tree canopy, and lot coverage requirements, with the goals
21 outlined in the updated STGPD Work Plan, and

22 WHEREAS these coordinated updates are intended to enhance
23 groundwater protection, address regulatory gaps, and ensure consistency with
24 current best available science and Washington State mandates, and
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1 WHEREAS following a public hearing and deliberative process, the
2 Planning Commission reviewed the proposed code amendments and formally
3 recommended their adoption; the updated regulations are now before the City
4 Council for consideration, and
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6 WHEREAS, pursuant to TMC 13.05.30.D, the City Council is required to
7 conduct a public hearing before enacting any amendments to the Land Use
8 Regulatory Code; Now, Therefore,
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10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

11 Section 1. That Tuesday, August 12, 2025, upon completion of Regular
12 Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., is hereby fixed as the time, and the
13 City Council Chambers on the First Floor of the Tacoma Municipal Building,
14 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington, and may be offered in a hybrid format
15 that includes a remote option, as the place when and where a public hearing
16 shall be held on the proposed amendments to the South Tacoma Groundwater
17 Protection District code, as recommended by the Planning Commission.
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Section 2. That the City Clerk shall give proper notice of the time and place of said hearing.

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Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney