



RESOLUTION NO. 41728

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Public Utilities, Water Division;
2 (d.b.a. "Tacoma Water"), authorizing the execution of an interlocal
3 agreement with various local governments within the Water Resource
4 Inventory Area 9, requiring annual funding amount of \$26,514, budgeted
5 from the Water Fund, to support watershed-based salmon recovery in the
6 Green River, Duwamish River and Central Puget Sound Watersheds,
7 through December 31, 2035.

8 WHEREAS the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Water
9 Division (d.b.a. "Tacoma Water"), desires to renew an interlocal cooperation
10 agreement between multiple county and city governments and other interested
11 public agencies, and tribes within the geographic planning area of the Water
12 Resource Inventory Area 9 ("WRIA 9"), collectively, the WRIA 9 Agreement, and

13 WHEREAS the WRIA 9 serves as a lead entity for salmon recovery under
14 the State of Washington's watershed-based framework for salmon recovery
15 established under RCW 77.85, and is comprised of local, state and federal
16 partners, non-profit organizations, business interests, and citizens, and

17 WHEREAS, the WRIA 9 is mandated to create a list of habitat projects,
18 establish priorities for individual projects, define the sequence for project
19 implementation, and submit these activities as the habitat project list, and

20 WHEREAS the WRIA 9 also identifies potential federal, state, local, and
21 private funding sources, and

22 WHEREAS this is the third interlocal cooperation agreement between
23 multiple counties and cities of King and Pierce Counties and other interested
24 public agencies and tribes, and marks 25 years of advancing salmon recovery
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1 efforts in the watersheds of Green River, Duwamish River, and Central Puget
2 Sound, and

3 WHEREAS the proposed WRIA 9 agreement obligates Tacoma Water to
4 provide \$26,514 annually to support the long-term watershed-based planning
5 through December 31, 2035, and

6 WHEREAS, by adoption of Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-11544 on
7 July 23, 2025, the proposed agreement was approved, pending confirmation from
8 the City Council; Now, Therefore,

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

10 Section 1. That the request of the Department of Public Utilities,
11 Water Division (d.b.a. "Tacoma Water") to enter into an interlocal agreement with
12 various local governments within the Water Resource Inventory Area 9, requiring
13 an annual funding amount of \$26,514, budgeted from the Water Fund, to support
14 watershed-based salmon recovery in the Green River, Duwamish River and
15 Central Puget Sound Watersheds, through December 31, 2035, is hereby
16 approved.
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Section 2. That the proper officers of the City of Tacoma are authorized to execute said agreement substantially in a form 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-11544