



TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager, City Manager’s Office
SUBJECT: Resolution – Authorizing the use of up to \$10,000 from the City Council’s Contingency Fund for two Welcoming Cities Latino Roundtable Community Convenings– City Council Meeting February 23, 2016
DATE: February 16, 2016

SUMMARY:

Resolution authorizing the use of up to \$10,000 of City Council Contingency Funds for expenses related to the two Welcoming Cities Latino Roundtable Community Convenings.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

Mayor Strickland and Council Members: Blocker and Campbell

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

This use of the City Council Contingency Funds for the convenings best aligns with the City Council Strategic Priorities of:

- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs
- Cultivate a vibrant cultural sector that fosters a creative, cohesive community
- Foster a vibrant and diverse economy with good jobs for all Tacoma residents

In addition, funding the two Latino Roundtable Community Convenings best aligns with the Equity and Empowerment Initiative goals of: purposeful community outreach and engagement; and, supporting human rights and opportunities for everyone to achieve their full potential.

BACKGROUND:

Through the adoption of Resolution 39116 on February 17, 2015, the City of Tacoma joined the Welcoming Cities and Counties Initiative, which encourages communities across the United States to create more welcoming, immigrant friendly environments that maximize opportunities for economic growth and cultural vitality.

At the February 16, 2016 City Council Study Session, Council Member Campbell shared a Council Consideration Request, supported by Mayor Strickland and Council Member Blocker, to use up to \$10,000 of the City Council Contingency funds to pay for the facilitation and expenses related to two Latino Roundtable Community Convenings.

There has been a strong interest among our Latino residents and community partners which led to the creation of a community-run planning committee that will host two large convenings in March. These events will provide an opportunity for our Latino residents to share their vision for how their community can grow and thrive in Tacoma and Pierce County. It will also give them the chance to inform the City, local service providers and other residents about barriers they are encountering in their daily lives and how we can better engage with and provide better



service to them. This event aligns strongly with our efforts to advance equity in Tacoma and this funding would be the City's first substantive action under the Welcoming Cities Initiative. If the resolution is adopted, up to \$10,000 would be set aside for City staff to pay for expenses related to the convenings.

ISSUE:

In order to authorize use of the City Council's Contingency Funds for this purpose, a resolution must be adopted.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council could reject the use of the Contingency Funds for this purpose.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is recommending that the City Council approve the use of the Contingency Funds based on the discussion at the February 16, 2016 Study Session to take action on the Welcoming Cities Initiative with these Latino Roundtable Community Convenings.



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1030 – Council Contingency	660000	5330100	\$10,000
TOTAL			\$10,000

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
TOTAL			

POTENTIAL POSITION IMPACT:

POSITION TITLE	PERMANENT/ PROJECT TEMPORARY POSITION	FTE IMPACT	POSITION END DATE
TOTAL			

This section should only be completed if a subsequent request will be made to increase or decrease the current position count.

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$10,000

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? The City Council Contingency Fund has appropriation authority allowing for the expenditure of requested funds.

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED.