



## RESOLUTION NO. 40334

1 A RESOLUTION relating to public works; authorizing the execution of an Interlocal  
2 Agreement with the Port of Tacoma, in the amount of \$500,000, budgeted  
3 from the Transportation Capital Fund, for the replacement of a portion of the  
4 Fishing Wars Memorial Bridge.

4 WHEREAS on January 6, 2009, the City Council adopted Resolution  
5 No. 37693, authorizing an amendment to an existing 2004 Alexander Avenue  
6 Interlocal Agreement ("Agreement") with the Port of Tacoma ("Port") to  
7 cooperatively seek full funding for the Hylebos Bridge Project ("Hylebos"), and  
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9 WHEREAS in this agreement the Port committed to an additional  
10 \$9.97 million in future right-of-way vacation funding to fill the funding gap for the  
11 Hylebos project, and

12 WHEREAS in the first quarter of 2012 it appeared that the Port's  
13 commitment to the Hylebos project would be \$1.8 to \$2.3 million less than the  
14 \$11.97 million total contribution, and the City asked the Port Commission to  
15 consider a \$500,000 contribution toward the rehabilitation of the three westerly  
16 bridge sections of the Fishing Wars Memorial Bridge ("Bridge"), and  
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18 WHEREAS it was the City's hope to leverage the Port's commitment for  
19 additional grants to fill a multi-million dollar funding gap for the estimated  
20 \$42 million bridge project, and  
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22 WHEREAS the funding partnership request for the bridge project was  
23 based on the following: (1) a 2006 study showed approximately five percent of  
24 the bridge traffic was destined for or departing from Port facilities; (2) the bridge is  
25 located at an approximate central point on the Puyallup Avenue/Pacific Highway  
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1 corridor, which serves over 100 manufacturing businesses, and a major  
2 commercial sector in the Tacoma/Fife/Port region; (3) few alternative routes with  
3 sufficient volume and weight capacity are available that serve Port facilities;  
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5 (4) the Port's commitment may leverage partnership dollars with the City of Fife  
6 and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad; and, (5) the proposed bridge design  
7 provides for requirements mandated by the Federal Railroad Administration to  
8 allow for future rail tracks to be constructed under the bridge, and

9         WHEREAS a Letter of Intent was sent to former Mayor Strickland from the  
10 Port conveying the Port's agreement to re-direct \$500,000 of the expected savings  
11 from the Hylebos project contribution as a partial match for additional City grant  
12 applications for the bridge reconstruction, and in 2016 the City obtained sufficient  
13 funding to finalize the project budget and advance the design build option, and  
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15         WHEREAS during a financial review of the bridge project and subsequent  
16 discussions with the Port, it was determined that the agreement to re-direct  
17 \$500,000 was never finalized in an interlocal agreement ("ILA"), and on May 9,  
18 2019, the Port authorized execution of the ILA with the City, for an amount not to  
19 exceed \$500,000, to replace a portion of the bridge; 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 execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma to accept the amount of \$500,000 for the replacement of a portion of the Fishing Wars Memorial Bridge.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney