



**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST**

**TO:** Tacoma City Council  
**FROM:** Mayor Victoria Woodards and Chief Policy Analyst Bucoda Warren  
**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney  
**SUBJECT:** **Resolution – Council Contingency Fund Request to sponsor the Mayor’s Youth Commission of Tacoma Travel to NLC– Requested for October 18, 2022**  
**DATE:** October 5, 2022

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**I ask for your support for a \$5,000 Council Contingency Fund expenditure to sponsor the Mayor’s Youth Commission of Tacoma travel to the National League of Cities Conference.**

**LEGISLATIVE INTENT:**

**Council Contingency Fund Request:** The Mayor’s Youth Commission of Tacoma was formally established by Resolution 40502 in December of 2019 after a year of outreach and development with youth on what they would want to see in a youth-focused commission. Since then, the Youth Commission has engaged with students and organizations across Tacoma to address topics such as youth mental health, climate change, public safety in schools, and leadership development.

The youth commission also shown national leadership since its inception, having attended a United States Conference of Mayors youth convening, and the National League of Cities conference to join youth leaders from across the country to learn and grow together. Tacoma’s youth showed great leadership, and brought back skills and ideas that have propelled them through the pandemic successfully. The opportunity to grow and learn from other cities is a unique opportunity that we can provide our young leaders so that they can continue to engage in conversations here at home. This funding would allow the City to send a couple of our student leaders and a chaperone to the annual conference this fall to engage with other youth commissions.

**FUNDING REQUESTED:**

\$ 5,000

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ (CUSTOMER RESEARCH):**

The Mayor’s Youth Commission of Tacoma focuses on outreach to historically underrepresented communities to ensure all students have the opportunity to engage in civic conversations and leadership opportunities. This year’s leadership team is incredibly diverse in experience and representation, and shows the fruits of the efforts that the Youth leaders have put into recruiting and elevating leaders from across Tacoma.

**2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

**Equity and Accessibility:**

The youth commission is focused on engaging in projects and programs that support anti-racism work and encourages courageous conversations and efforts to support marginalized communities in Tacoma. Their work with youth in Tacoma helped to provide more opportunities outside of

school, and engagement with leaders across Tacoma that can provide mentorship, guidance, and co-creation of programs that impact their communities.

**Education:** *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity

Increase the number of quality out of school time learning opportunities distributed equitably across the city.

**Civic Engagement:** *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity

Increase the number of residents who participate civically through volunteering and voting.

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s)?

The youth commission has provided weekend and after school opportunities to learn from other organizations across the City and engage in government policy discussions. These opportunities give students opportunity to learn about their city and community while learning valuable leadership skills and engaging in volunteer opportunities on projects that are meaningful to them.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Alternative	Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts
1.Do not fund this request	More funds available in the contingency fund for emerging issues.	Students will be unable to travel for this learning opportunity.
2.increase funding for this request	More students will be able to travel for this learning opportunity.	Less funding available in the contingency fund for emerging issues.

**EVALUATIONS AND FOLLOW UP:**

Following the conclusion of the conference, sponsors and staff will meet with youth commissioners to learn of their experience and how they will incorporate that into the commission’s work moving forward.

**SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:**

We recommend approval of this request to support our youth.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

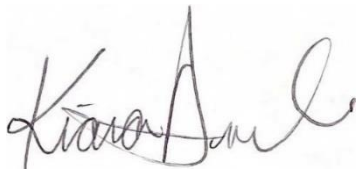
\$5,000 from the Council Contingency Fund.

**If you have a question related to the Council Contingency Fund Request, please contact Chief Policy Analyst Bucoda Warren at 253-318-0594 or [bwarren@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:bwarren@cityoftacoma.org).**

**SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY: Mayor Victoria Woodards**

**SUPPORTING COUNCIL MEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)**

1.  \_\_\_\_\_ POS# 4



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## 2022 Council Contingency Commitments

<b>2022-2023</b>	<b>\$ 250,000.00</b>
(Remaining balance from 2021 that will be carried over)	88,592.09
<b>Council Requested - Seed Internships</b>	<b>\$ 31,000.00</b>

Resolution 40919

A Council Contingency fund expenditure of \$31,000 to fund the full or partial costs of five or more Tacoma-based small businesses or non-profits of hosting a Seed Internship.

<b>Council Requested - Daffodil Parade</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>
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Resolution 40925

A resolution authorizing the one-time use of \$20,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to be applied to the cost of in-kind services provided by the City of Tacoma such as traffic control devices and traffic control services.

<b>Council Requested - Tacoma Reads</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
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Resolution 40934

A request for City Council concurrence for a \$10,000 City Council Contingency Fund request to support the 2022 Tacoma Reads Together events.

<b>Council Requested - Tacoma Refugee Choir</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>
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Resolution 40941

A Council Contingency Fund expenditure for \$25,000 to assist the Tacoma Refugee Choir in funding the music video portion of their 2022 spring projects.

<b>Council Requested - Litter Free 253</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
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Resolution 40940

A Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$2,500 to fund litter pick-up tools "litter grabbers," for the annual volunteer-led Litter Free 253 event.

<b>Council Requested - South Sound Together</b>	<b>\$ 12,000.00</b>
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Resolution 40948

A Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$12,000 to fund grants that support community engagement programs sponsored through South Sound.

<b>Council Requested - Multicultural Childcare Center</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
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Resolution 40986

A Council Contingency Fund request to purchase infant formula to support the Multicultural Childcare Center formula drive.

<b>Council Requested - LGBTQIA+ Pride Painting</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
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Resolution 40994

A Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$2,500 to fund three LGBTQ+ Pride painting projects including temporary rainbow crosswalks, permanent rainbow bricks, and temporary rainbow barriers.

<b>Council Requested - Mayors Innovation Project Summer Conference in Tacoma</b>	<b>\$ 6,500.00</b>
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Resolution 41000

A \$6,500 Council Contingency Fund expenditure to sponsor the Mayors Innovation Project Summer Conference in Tacoma.

<b>Council Requested - Safe Youth Awareness Campaign</b>	<b>\$ 35,000.00</b>
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Resolution 40995

A resolution authorizing the one time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$35,000, to fund the partial costs to develop and implement an eight-week Safe Youth Awareness Campaign beginning in July 2022.

<b>Council Request - Korean Association Tacoma Building Renovation</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
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Resolution 41004

Council Contingency Fund expenditure to support the Korean Association of Tacoma building renovation.

<b>Council Requested - Peace Bus "Every Kid Eats" Summer Program</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
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Resolution 41015

Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$2,500 to support the Peace Bus and the "Every Kid Eats" summer program

<b>Council Requested - Hilltop Street Fair</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
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Resolution 41018

Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$10,000 to fund entertainment and arts programming at the 2022 Hilltop Street Fair sponsored by the Hilltop Business Association.

<b>Council Requested - UWT Celebrando Comunidad 2022 -Latinx Celebration and Awards</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
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To Study Session September 13, 2022

Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$5,000 to support the 2nd Annual University of Washington Tacoma Celebrando Comunidad: Latinx Celebration and Awards.

<b>Council Requested - Tacoma Urban League Empowerment Awards</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
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To Council October 11, 2022

Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$5,000 to support the Tacoma Urban League Empowerment Awards.

<b>Council Requested - Youth Commission of Tacoma Travel to NLC</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
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To Study Session October 11, 2022

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<b>Starting Balance</b>	<b>\$ 338,592.09</b>
<b>Total Amount Allocated</b>	<b>\$ 187,000.00</b>
<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>\$ 151,592.09</b>