



RESOLUTION NO. 38970

1 BY REQUEST OF DEPUTY MAYOR WOODARDS

2 A RESOLUTION relating to the City's Human Services Strategic Plan; authorizing
3 the adoption of the City of Tacoma's 2015-2019 Human Services Strategic
4 Plan.

5 WHEREAS, in 1994, the City Council adopted the first Human Services
6 Strategic Plan ("Plan") which identifies the City's role in human services functions
7 and sets forth the funding priorities and policies used in allocating City resources to
8 meet human service needs, and

9 WHEREAS, in March 2014, the Neighborhood and Community Services
10 Department, Human Services Division, initiated a review of the Plan to assess the
11 document's relevance, given current community conditions, and to identify trends
12 that will affect human services in the City over the next five years, and

14 WHEREAS, during the review, a Community Panel representing a broad
15 range of community perspectives expressed their understanding of the needs,
16 gaps in services, and barriers to accessing services in the City, and

18 WHEREAS a full analysis of environmental indicators reflecting community
19 well-being was completed in order to assess where opportunities are most and
20 least represented within the City, and

21 WHEREAS, as a result of the process, the following recommendations were
22 identified as key components in guiding City priorities and policies for 2015-2019:

23 (1) continue focusing on the four strategic priorities in the current Plan; (2) inject
24 equity in the human services funding application process and in decisions about
25 distribution of resources; (3) develop a more incremental and integrated approach
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to systems impact; and (4) ensure that the City’s human services investments are serving the needs of the entire community, and

WHEREAS the Plan reflects the integration of the City’s Equity and Empowerment Initiative in both process methodology and the final document, and

WHEREAS, on May 8, May 9, and May 28, 2014, public hearings were held to consider the proposed Plan; and on July 10, the Public Safety, Human Services and Education Committee reviewed the final draft Plan, and

WHEREAS City staff presented the Plan to the City Council at its Study Session of July 15, 2014; Now, Therefore,

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

That that the City Council hereby adopts the proposed 2015-2019 Human Services Strategic Plan, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed 2015-2019 Human Services Strategic Plan on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney