



RESOLUTION NO. 38907

1 BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS BOE, IBSEN, MELLO, AND WALKER

2 A RESOLUTION relating to the City of Tacoma's Climate Action Plan, reaffirming
3 the goal of 70 percent waste diversion by 2028; and developing a
4 Sustainable Materials Management Plan for the City to meet its diversion
5 goal and reduce environmental impacts by managing materials throughout
6 their lifecycle.

7 WHEREAS the City's 2008 Climate Action Plan calls for maximizing
8 commercial and residential recycling and the reuse, recycling, and proper
9 deconstruction of buildings, and

10 WHEREAS the Tacoma-Pierce County Solid Waste Management Plan has
11 a waste diversion goal of 70 percent or more recovered by the year 2028, and

12 WHEREAS, in 2009, the City's Solid Waste Management Division
13 conducted a waste stream characterization study of the waste produced from the
14 City and found that out of all materials discarded as garbage, 60 percent was
15 either compostable (28 percent) or recyclable (32 percent), and

16 WHEREAS the City's 2012 diversion rate was approximately 33 percent,
17 and

18 WHEREAS Sustainable Materials Management is defined as an approach
19 that includes waste prevention and discard management, while seeking to reduce
20 environmental impacts by managing materials through all stages of their life; Now,

21 Therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:
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Section 1. That the City of Tacoma reaffirms its goal of 70 percent or more of waste diverted by the year 2028.

Section 2. That a Sustainable Materials Management Plan shall be developed to ensure that the diversion goal of 70 percent or more by 2028 is met, which plan shall include:

- Focus on life cycle thinking;
- Recommendations for construction and demolition debris management;
- Strategies for commercial and multi-family recycling;
- Reduced consumption strategies for disposable bags, bottles, and other products;
- Actions to minimize the upstream impact of the materials purchased and utilized by City residents, business, and municipal government;
- Metrics to be utilized to account for changes in population and business activity within the City;
- Optional strategies to increase waste diversion beyond 70 percent; and
- Long term waste diversion goals beyond 2028.

Section 3. That the City will develop a plan with interim goals to monitor progress and ensure the 2028 waste diversion goal is met, and will measure and track progress on waste diversion, preferably using methods consistent with regional collaborators.

Section 4. That, beginning in 2015, the Solid Waste Management Division will report to the City Council, by July 1 of each year, on the previous year's



1 progress toward materials management goals, as well as additional steps to meet
2 goals in current and upcoming years.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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Deputy City Attorney

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