



RESOLUTION NO.

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR IBSEN, DEPUTY MAYOR BUSHNELL AND
2 COUNCIL MEMBER WALKER

3 A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds, in the amount of \$10,000,
4 budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to sponsor Ride Transit
5 Month.

6 WHEREAS Ride Transit Month was originally started by Downtown on the
7 Go, now Tacoma on the Go, in 2013 as Try Transit Month before it went statewide
8 with Transportation Choices Coalition, and

9 WHEREAS Ride Transit Month is now an annual celebration in its second
10 decade that brings transportation partners across Washington state together each
11 June to show appreciation for transit and transit riders through community
12 gatherings, special events, rider challenges, social media, and more, and

13 WHEREAS the goals of Ride Transit Month are to celebrate and promote
14 transit, educate decision-makers about transit and active transportation, build
15 camaraderie through partnerships, and boost transit ridership and advocacy, and

16 WHEREAS Tacoma is served by Pierce Transit and Sound Transit, providing
17 essential bus, paratransit, on-demand, and regional transit services connecting
18 residents to work, school, medical care, and community activities, and

19 WHEREAS, in 2025, Pierce Transit and Sound Transit together provided
20 millions of passenger trips throughout Pierce County, including free youth rides and
21 specialized transportation services for individuals with disabilities, and

22 WHEREAS this sponsorship would support the Transportation Choices
23 Coalition and Tacoma on the Go to continue their advocacy efforts statewide
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1 around the year, build momentum and support for local transportation needs, and
2 support specific events during ride transit month, and

3 WHEREAS local advocacy support includes efforts to maintain, repair, and
4 enhance Tacoma’s streets, sidewalks, and multimodal infrastructure, ensuring
5 improved safety, accessibility, and connectivity; improve public transit service levels
6 for more buses more frequently; and local town halls, events, and opportunities to
7 get involved, and
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9 WHEREAS Tacoma regularly hears from our transportation partners and the
10 public regarding community needs for improved transportation infrastructure, and
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12 WHEREAS transportation and infrastructure remains a top priority for the
13 City and is included in our strategic plan which incorporates intensive community
14 engagement and comments, and

15 WHEREAS this priority focuses on delivering a safe, sustainable, and
16 connected city transportation network that supports economic vitality, housing
17 growth, and climate goals by investing in complete corridors, and
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19 WHEREAS, at the June 2, 2026, Study Session, Mayor Ibsen shared a
20 Council Consideration Request to authorize the one-time use of \$10,000 from the
21 Council Contingency Fund to sponsor Ride Transit Month, and
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23 WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the
24 Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of
25 which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of
26 adopting the budget, and



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WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the foregoing Recitals are hereby adopted as the City Council's legislative findings.

Section 2. That one-time funding in the amount of \$10,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of sponsoring Ride Transit Month

Section 3. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to confirm deliverables with Transportation Choices Coalition and Tacoma on the Go for the purposes hereinabove enumerated, and document as appropriate.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney