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RESOLUTION NO. 40907

A RESOLUTION related to collective bargaining; authorizing the execution of a four-year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers – Transportation Division (SMART-TD), Local 1977 - Yardmasters, consisting of six budgeted full-time equivalent positions, effective retroactive to January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2024.

WHEREAS the City has, for years, adopted the policy of collective bargaining between the various labor organizations representing employees and the administration, and

WHEREAS this resolution allows for the execution of a four-year Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA") between the City and the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers – Transportation Division (SMART-TD), Local 1977 - Yardmasters ("Union"), on behalf of the employees represented by said Union, and

WHEREAS the bargaining unit consists of approximately six budgeted. full-time equivalent ("FTE") positions, assigned to Tacoma Public Utilities, and WHEREAS the CBA will provide for a wage increase of 2 percent retroactive to January 1, 2021, and will increase by 2 percent on January 1 of each of the

WHEREAS other changes include: (1) effective the first month following the ratification of the CBA, the employee medical insurance premium share will mirror that of other City employees – currently \$50 per month for employee only

remaining three years of the agreement, and

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coverage and \$100 per month for employee plus family coverage; (2) employees will also be eligible for a continued deferred compensation match of 3 percent, but regardless of Carrier Financial Performance; and in recognition of concessions made during negotiation, each regular Yardmaster will also receive a one-time, lump sum payment of \$2,000; (3) elimination of eligibility for longevity pay for employees hired into the Unit; (4) discontinuance of the historic "wellness" program which rewarded employees for the non-use of sick leave; (5) a provision to provide for double-time pay for time worked on observed holidays; (6) an updated Letter of Understanding regarding retiree medical coverage; (7) edits to provisions related to union dues necessary to comply with the Janus court decision; and (8) the incorporation of a provision of two hours of overtime pay for training that requires an employee to report to the employer's facilities on a Yardmaster's scheduled rest day, and

WHEREAS the CBA was considered and approved by the Public Utility Board at its special meeting of January 12, 2022, and

WHEREAS it appears in the best interests of the City that the CBA negotiated by said Union and the City be approved; Now, Therefore,

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

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute the

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four-year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers – Transportation Division (SMART-TD), Local 1977 - Yardmasters, effective retroactive to January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2024, said document to be substantially in the form of the agreement on file in the office of the City Clerk. Adopted Mayor Attest: City Clerk Approved as to form: Deputy City Attorney Requested by Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-11301