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## **RESOLUTION NO. 40987**

A RESOLUTION relating to stormwater and community green spaces: authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Pierce Conservation District, in the annual amount of \$75,000, budgeted from various departmental funds, to manage the Depave and Orcas Love Raingardens programs, in partnership with the Tacoma Public School District.

WHEREAS "Depave" is a Pierce Conservation District ("PCD") program which promotes the removal of unnecessary pavement and overly compacted lawn from urban areas to create community green spaces and mitigate stormwater runoff, and

WHEREAS, through community partnerships and volunteer engagement,
Depave strives to overcome the social and environmental impacts of pavement
with the use of action-oriented educational events, community stewardship, and
advocacy to empower Tacoma neighbors to take action and improve their
neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS the "Orcas Love Raingardens" ("OLR") program is a collaborative partnership between the City and PCD, serving to coordinate with the Tacoma Public School District, to install rain gardens providing stormwater quality and infiltration benefits to the City, and hands-on opportunities for students to plant and care for rain gardens in their schools, which will further promote water quality education by providing students and their families access to educational, interactive opportunities, and

WHEREAS the City does not currently provide Depave and OLR program services directly to the community, and PCD is better prepared to cost effectively



deliver projects and manage these programs, effectively coordinate with volunteers, and leverage other community partners and funding to complete the projects, and

WHEREAS replacing and updating the existing Interlocal Agreement with PCD for continued implementation of the Depave and OLR programs will fulfill the community's desire for these two programs; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Pierce Conservation District ("PCD"), in the annual amount of \$75,000, to manage the Depave and Orcas Love Raingardens programs in partnership with the Tacoma Public School District, as more specifically set forth in the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Section 2. That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby directed to negotiate and execute an agreement with PCD, outlining the scope of work and deliverables outlined in Section 1.

Adopted		
Attest:	Mayor	
City Clerk	•	
Approved as to form:		

Deputy City Attorney