



**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST**

TO: Tacoma City Council
FROM: Mayor Victoria Woodards and Chief Policy Analyst to the Mayor Bucoda
Warren
COPIES TO: Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney
SUBJECT: **Resolution – Council Contingency Fund Request to Sponsor the Mayors
Innovation Project Summer Conference in Tacoma**
DATE: June 7, 2022

**I ask for your support for a \$6,500 Council Contingency Fund expenditure to Sponsor the
Mayors Innovation Project Summer Conference in Tacoma**

LEGISLATIVE INTENT:

Council Contingency Fund Request:

The Mayors Innovation Project (MIP) is a national learning network for mayors committed to shared prosperity, environmental sustainability, and efficient democratic government. MIP supports mayors by providing cutting-edge thinking and concrete examples that mayors can implement. MIP provides clear, useful information on policies and programs for mayors and creates high-quality peer learning experiences for local leaders.

The summer conference will be held August 4th through August 6th, 2022. Mayors, local leaders, and their trusted advisors are invited to join the summer conference to connect with peers and learn from experts on topics such as transformational leadership, anchor institutions, missing middle housing, operationalizing equity, and showcasing innovative solutions to common issues. The conference is an opportunity not only for Tacoma to learn from other cities, but showcase the things we are doing well on a national stage.

This convening will bring almost 100 Mayors and their advisors to Tacoma to share in peer learning and best practices. This also means we will have more visitors staying in our hotels, eating at our restaurants, and supporting our local businesses in Tacoma.

FUNDING REQUESTED:

\$ 6,500

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ (CUSTOMER RESEARCH):

As host City for the summer conference, Mayor Woodards is able to present topics and ask for presenters on areas of significant interest to our community. Leading with the City Council's strategic priorities and the City Strategic Plan, we are inviting best practices centered on important work from workforce development, anchor institution impact, affordable housing, and operationalizing equity. All in support of our communities and the priorities that have been set by the Council. This will have a positive impact on our community and the priorities they set in Tacoma 2025.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

Peer learning among cities is important for collective action are shared prosperity among communities nationally. Local governments in particular are the learning labs of America, and excel in testing new ways to support our communities. Conferences such as this allow local governments to share and learn from each other to bring benefits back home that will reduce racial and other inequities, disparities, or discrimination to our under-represented communities.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative	Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts
1.Do not fund request	More funding available for other emerging issues in 2022.	Tacoma as the host City will have less conference funding available to plan sessions and events, reducing opportunities to learn and share good work.
2.Increase funding request	More conference funding available to increase opportunities to learn and showcase the good work Tacoma is doing.	Less contingency funds for other emerging issues in 2022.

EVALUATIONS AND FOLLOW UP:

Following the conclusion of the conference, Mayor Woodards will share with the Council the activities that took place, sessions that Tacoma learned from or participated

SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend approval of this request to sponsor the MIP summer conference.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$6,500 from the Council Contingency Fund Account

If you have a question related to the Council Contingency Fund Request, please contact Bucoda Warren at 253-318-0594 or bwarren@cityoftacoma.org.

SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY: 
Mayor Woodards

SUPPORTING COUNCIL MEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)

1.  POS# 3

2.  POS# 5

2022 Council Contingency Commitments

2022-2023	\$ 250,000.00
(Remaining balance from 2021 that will be carried over)	\$ 88,592.09
Council Requested - Seed Internships	\$ 31,000.00
Resolution 40919	
A Council Contingency fund expenditure of \$31,000 to fund the full or partial costs of five or more Tacoma-based small businesses or non-profits of hosting a Seed Internship.	
Council Requested - Daffodil Parade	\$ 20,000.00
Resolution 40925	
A resolution authorizing the one-time use of \$20,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to be applied to the cost of in-kind services provided by the City of Tacoma such as traffic control devices and traffic control services.	
Council Requested - Tacoma Reads	\$ 10,000.00
Resolution 40934	
A request for City Council concurrence for a \$10,000 City Council Contingency Fund request to support the 2022 Tacoma Reads Together events.	
Council Requested - Tacoma Refugee Choir	\$25,000
Resolution 40941	
A Council Contingency Fund expenditure for \$25,000 to assist the Tacoma Refugee Choir in funding the music video portion of their 2022 spring projects.	
Council Requested - Litter Free 253	\$ 2,500.00
Resolution 40940	
A Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$2,500 to fund litter pick-up tools "litter grabbers," for the annual volunteer-led Litter Free 253 event.	
Council Requested - South Sound Together	\$ 12,000.00
Resolution 40948	
A Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$12,000 to fund grants that support community engagement programs sponsored through South Sound.	
Council Requested - Multicultural Childcare Center	\$ 5,000.00
Resolution 40986	
A Council Contingency Fund request to purchase infant formula to support the Multicultural Childcare Center formula drive.	
Council Requested - LGBTQ+ Pride Painting	\$ 2,500.00
To Council June 28, 2022	
A Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$2,500 to fund three LGBTQ+ Pride painting projects including temporary rainbow crosswalks, permanent rainbow bricks, and temporary rainbow barriers.	
Council Requested - Mayors Innovation Project Summer Conference in Tacoma	\$ 6,500.00
To Study Session June 28, 2022	
A \$6,500 Council Contingency Fund expenditure to sponsor the Mayors Innovation Project Summer Conference in Tacoma.	
Starting Balance	\$ 338,592.09
Total Amount Allocated	\$ 114,500.00
Current Balance	\$ 224,092.09