



**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST (CCR)**

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Mayor Marilyn Strickland and Chief Policy Analyst Anita Gallagher  
**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney; Executive Leadership Team; File  
**SUBJECT:** Council Contingency Fund Request for Sister Cities Council  
**DATE:** June 6, 2017

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**ITEM/ISSUE PROPOSED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

**I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda at the earliest available meeting of the Study Session:**

I respectfully request City Council concurrence to direct the City Manager to allocate up to \$12,000 from the City Council Contingency Funds to support the Sister Cities Council for expenses incurred for Sister Cities events in June, 2017.

**BRIEF BACKGROUND:**

The Sister Cities International program was created in 1956 at President Eisenhower's White House conference on citizen diplomacy. The goal was to create bonds between people in different cities all around the world in the hope that doing so would result in peace and prosperity. Sister Cities programs advance positive international relations between cities through arts, educational, cultural, and trade exchanges.

Tacoma has 14 Sister Cities, and maintaining those relationships is the responsibility of local volunteer committees led by the Sister Cities Council. Mayor Strickland extended a letter to the mayors of our Sister Cities encouraging them to come to Tacoma for the Festival of Sail events, scheduled for June 15—18, 2017. Delegations from Fuzhou, China, and Kitakyushu, Japan, have confirmed that they plan to attend. The Sister Cities Council has been working to raise funds to cover expenses to be incurred in the course of planned events for the visiting delegations. The requested funding of up to \$12,000 would help support the Sister Cities Council and their volunteers to cover expenses related to the planned events.

The requested support for the Sister Cities Council aligns with the City's Tacoma 2025 goals of Economy/Workforce and Livability.

**FUNDING REQUESTED:**

Up to \$12,000 to be set aside for the Sister Cities Council to pay for expenses related to events organized by Sister Cities volunteers for visiting delegations.

In you have a question related to the Council Consideration Request, please contact Anita Gallagher at (253) 591-5156 or [anita.gallagher@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:anita.gallagher@cityoftacoma.org).



SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:

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Mayor

**SUPPORTING COUNCILMEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)**

*(Signatures demonstrate support to initiate discussion and consideration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy development and staff guidance/direction.)*

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## 2017-2018 Council Contingency

2017-2018 Biennium Budget (\$750,000 reduced for Fire/Police staffing)	\$	500,000
2015-2016 Reappropriation Estimate*	\$	349,896

### Funding Request/Resolution

### 2017-2018 Budget

#### ***Prior Biennium City Council Contingency Requests***

<i>Resolution 39219 (6-16-15)</i>	
Heritage Organization Funding	\$ 42,896
<i>Resolution No. 39321 (11-24-15)</i>	
Eastside Healthy Food	\$ 10,000
<i>Resolution 39511 (08/2/2016)</i>	
Sister City Assessment and Strategic Plan	\$ 7,000
<i>Resolution 39526 (8/23/16)</i>	
Peace Community Center Capital Fund	\$ 50,000
<i>Resolution No. 39577 (11/1/16)</i>	
Hire Consultant for Click! Analysis and Audit *	\$ 100,000
*To be reimbursed by Tacoma Power	
<i>Resolution No. 39597 (11/22/16)</i>	
Chinese Reconciliation Park	\$ 90,000
<i>Resolution No. 39596 (11/22/16)</i>	
Tacoma Community House Capital Campaign	\$ 50,000
<b><i>2017-2018 City Council Contingency Requests</i></b>	
<i>Resolution No. 39693 (03/28/2017)</i>	
Hilltop Regional Health Center (\$50K 2017, \$50K 2018)	\$ 100,000
<i>Resolution No. 39701 (04/18/2017)</i>	
Developing an Anchor Institutions Strategy	\$ 50,000

Total 2015-2016 Reappropriation Estimated Amount	\$ 349,896
Total 2017-2018 Approved by City Council Through Legislation	\$ 150,000
2017 -2018 Biennium Remaining	\$ 350,000