



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

**TO:** Mayor & City Council  
**FROM:** Mayor Victoria Woodards and Chief Policy Analyst Melanie Harding  
**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Tadd Wille, Assistant City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney; Executive Leadership Team; File  
**SUBJECT:** Council Contingency Fund Request: \$10,000 to support the 2019 Interfaith Women's Conference  
**DATE:** September 11, 2018

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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 City Council:**

I respectfully request City Council concurrence to direct the City Manager to allocate up to \$10,000 from the City Council Contingency Fund to support the 2019 Interfaith Women's Conference that will feature author and child safety advocate Elizabeth Smart.

**BRIEF BACKGROUND:**

The Interfaith Women's Conference began in 2017 as a biennial conference hosted by Associated Ministries to bring together women to experience the power of unity and to strengthen the community. The conference provides women with a forum to explore ways to work together to assist more people in need. Conference organizers are dedicated to engaging all women—those who are affiliated with a particular religious tradition as well as those of no specific faith.

Speaker Elizabeth Smart is a survivor of child abduction. After being held in captivity for nine months by her abductors, Elizabeth has gone on to use her traumatic experience to advocate for changes needed in child abduction, recovery programs, and national legislation. Elizabeth has also helped promote The National AMBER Alert, The Adam Walsh Child Protection & Safety Act and other safety legislation to help prevent abductions. Through her story, she shares what it takes to overcome trauma and encourages those who have gone through similar experiences to find the strength needed to reclaim one's life. Conference organizers are working with the Crystal Judson Family Justice Center and the YWCA to distribute free tickets to a number of domestic violence survivors to attend and have a brief meet-and-greet with Elizabeth Smart following her presentation. The provision of these free tickets is supported by the event funding.

Overall, this funding is an investment in strengthening connections between diverse groups, increasing the ability of residents throughout the city to engage in public service, and providing a healing resource to those who have been impacted by trauma so that they may rise to their full potential.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

**State and briefly explain which strategic policy priority is best aligned to this action. Please remove the statements below you are not directly addressing.**

- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.

- Encourage thriving residents with abundant opportunities for life-long learning.
- Cultivate a vibrant cultural sector that fosters a creative, cohesive community.

**POLICY DEVELOPMENT PATH:**

☐ **Request for policy development and legislation**

This item is best aligned with the purview of the following Council Standing Committee (refer to Council Standing Committee Process Manual):

☐ Community Vitality and Safety

☐ Economic Development

☐ Government Performance and Finance ☐ Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability

☒ **Request for Resolution**

☐ **Is there a specific deadline for this request?** (Note: All Council Consideration Requests will be expedited as soon as possible) Click here to enter a date.

Please provide a brief explanation of deadline. \_\_\_\_\_

**FUNDING REQUESTED: \$10,000 from Council Contingency Funds**

☒ **Council Contingency Fund Request** \*Please provide the Council Contingency Fund Biennial Budget Document if this request is for the use of this fund.

Does the request require some other type of funding? ☐ One-time ☐ Ongoing

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

SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:

  
Mayor Woodards

**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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POS # 4

2. 

POS# 6



## 2017-2018 Council Contingency Commitments

<b>2017-2018 Biennium Budget</b>	<b>\$ 500,000</b>
<b>Hilltop Regional Health Center (\$50K 2017, \$50K 2018)</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39693 (03/28/2017)</i> <i>To support the Hilltop Regional Health Center expansion, contingent upon the Center securing sufficient funds for building renovations and expansion</i>	
<b>Developing an Anchor Institutions Strategy</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39701 (04/18/2017)</i> <i>To develop an anchor institutions strategy to complete a comprehensive study to align current planning efforts, identify gaps, and achieve Tacoma 2025 related goals</i>	
<b>Sister Cities Events for Festival of Sail Delegation</b>	<b>\$ 12,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39747 (6/13/2017)</i> <i>For expenses related to events for visiting Sister Cities' delegations during the Festival of Sail 2017</i>	
<b>Retail Enhancement Strategy Contract</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39776 (08/8/2017)</i> <i>Contract for \$25,000 to develop a Downtown retail enhancement study and recruitment strategy.</i>	
<b>Affordable Housing Public and Private Asset Review and Mapping</b>	<b>\$ 10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39790 (8/22/2017)</i> <i>Contract with Forterra for \$10,000 for a comprehensive review and mapping of public and private land that could be utilized for affordable housing.</i>	
<b>Tacoma Reads Together Events</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39817 (9/19/2017)</i> <i>Funding to cover contract with author and to cover community events expenses</i>	
<b>Immigrant Legal Defense Fund</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39849 (10/24/17)</i> <i>Subfund creation for deportation hearing defense of immigrants w/o resources and legal Counsel.</i>	
<b>Tacoma Housing Authority Landlord Incentive Pilot</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39876 (11/28/17)</i> <i>Project pilot offering incentives to landlords accepting THA housing vouchers</i>	
<b>Citizens' Forum Pilot Project</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39882 (12/12/17)</i> <i>Citizens' Forum pilot project; agreement with the Center for Dialog and Resolution.</i>	
<b>2018 Race and Pedagogy Conference Youth Summit</b>	<b>\$ 10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39895 (12/12/17)</i> <i>10,000 sponsorship for UPS Youth Summit</i>	
<b>2018 Refugee Choir Season</b>	<b>\$ 20,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39901 (12/19/17)</i> <i>Sponsorship of the 2018 Tacoma Refugee Choir Season</i>	
<b>Case Management Services Displaced Tiki Apartment Tenants</b>	<b>\$ 10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40003 (05/01/2018 walk on item)</i> <i>Services to align displaced Tiki Apartment residents w/ resources to secure housing</i>	

<b>Neighborhood Business District Traffic Control Device Reimbursement</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40025 (6/5/2018)</i> <i>Reimburse NBDs for costs associated with traffic control devices for key events</i>		
<b>Travel Expenses for All America City Award Competition</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40026 (6/5/2018)</i> <i>Travel expenses for community members attending the National Civic League Conference to participate in the All America City Award competition</i>		
<b>Canoe Journey Sponsorship</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40066 (07/17/2018)</i> <i>Cash sponsorship for Puyallup Tribe Canoe Journey events</i>		
<b>McKinley Hill Street Fair</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>500</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40087(8/14/2018)</i> <i>Reimburse McKinley Hill Street Fair organizer for traffic control devices</i>		
<b>Total 2017-2018 Approved by City Council Through Legislation</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>422,500</b>
<b>2017-2018 Biennium Budget Remaining</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>77,500</b>