

# 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

## 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 DEVELOR	'MENT PATH:	
Request for policy	development and legislation	
	pest aligned with the purview ling Committee Process Manua	of the following Council Standing Committee (refer to l):
Community	Vitality and Safety	□Economic Development
□Government	Performance and Finance Inf	frastructure, Planning and Sustainability
⊠Request for Resolu	ation	
soon as possible) Clic		ote: All Council Consideration Requests will be expedited as
	-	Contingency Funds vide the Council Contingency Fund Biennial Budget Document
Does the request requi	ire some other type of funding?	□One-time □Ongoing
In you have a question or Melanie.Harding@c		ation Request, please contact Melanie Harding at 253-591-5156
SUBMITTED FOR CO	OUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY	Mayor Woodards
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		(2 SIGNATURES ONLY) deration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy
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# **2017-2018 Council Contingency Commitments**

2017-2018 Biennium Budget	\$	500,000
Hilltop Regional Health Center (\$50K 2017, \$50K 2018)	\$	100,000
Resolution No. 39693 (03/28/2017)		
To support the Hilltop Regional Health Center expansion, contingent upon the Center		
securing sufficient funds for building renovations and expansion		
Developing an Anchor Institutions Strategy	\$	50,000
Resolution No. 39701 (04/18/2017)		
To develop an anchor institutions strategy to complete a comprehensive study to		
align current planning efforts, identify gaps, and achieve Tacoma 2025 related goals Sister Cities Events for Festival of Sail Delegation	1\$	12,000
Resolution No. 39747 (6/13/2017)		
For expenses related to events for visiting Sister Cities' delegations during the Festiva	ıl	
of Sail 2017		
Retail Enhancement Strategy Contract	\$	25,000
Resolution No. 39776 (08/8/2017)		
Contract for \$25,000 to develop a Downtown retail enahncement study and		
recruitment strategy.		
Affordable Housing Public and Private Asset Review and Mapping	\$	10,000
Resolution No. 39790 (8/22/2017)		4
Contract with Forterra for \$10,000 for a comprehensive review and mapping of		
public and private land that could be utilized for affordable housing.		
Tacoma Reads Together Events	\$	15,000
Resolution No. 39817 (9/19/2017) Funding to cover contract with author and to cover community events expenses		
Immigrant Legal Defense Fund	\$	50,000
Resolution No. 39849 (10/24/17) Subtund creation tor deportation hearing defense of immigrants w/o resources and legal Counsel.		
Tacoma Housing Authority Landlord Incentive Pilot	\$	50,000
Resolution No.39876 (11/28/17)		
Project pilot offering incentives to landlords accepting THA housing vouchers		
Citizens' Forum Pilot Project	\$	25,000
Resolution No.39882 (12/12/17) Citizens' Forum pilot project; agreement with the Center for Dialog and Resolution.		
2018 Race and Pedagogy Conference Youth Summit	\$	10,000
Resolution No. 39895 (12/12/17)	1.	,
10,000 sponsorship for UPS Youth Summit		
2018 Refugee Choir Season	\$	20,000
Resolution No. 39901 (12/19/17)		,
Sponsorship of the 2018 Tacoma Refugee Choir Season		
Case Management Services Displaced Tiki Apartment Tenants	\$	10,000
Resolution No. 40003 (05/01/2018 walk on item)		

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