



## RESOLUTION NO. 40223

1 BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS BEALE AND USHKA

2 A RESOLUTION relating to rental housing; requiring that any penalties the City  
3 receives under the Rental Housing Code, Tacoma Municipal  
4 Code ("TMC") 1.95, be used only for providing tenant relocation  
assistance as authorized in the TMC.

5 WHEREAS, on November 20, 2018, pursuant to Ordinance No. 28559,  
6 the City enacted Tacoma Municipal Code 1.95, "Rental Housing Code," to  
7 provide better protections for tenants and provide specific guidance to landlords,  
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10 WHEREAS the Rental Housing Code provides tenants relocation  
11 assistance in certain circumstances, and

12 WHEREAS the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget includes \$200,000 for tenant  
13 relocation assistance support, and

14 WHEREAS the Rental Housing Code encourages landlords to voluntarily  
15 comply with the requirements in the Code, even after a violation is alleged, and

16 WHEREAS, in circumstances where landlords do not voluntarily comply  
17 with Rental Housing Code requirements, the City is authorized to enforce the  
18 Code provisions and impose penalties on landlords who choose not to comply,  
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22 WHEREAS it is the City's intent that any penalties received under the  
23 Rental Housing Code will be used for tenant relocation assistance as authorized  
24 in the Code; Now, Therefore,

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

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That the proper officers are hereby directed to use any penalties received from enforcing the Rental Housing Code, Tacoma Municipal Code (“TMC”) 1.95, only for providing tenant relocation assistance as authorized in the TMC.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney