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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Extend Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma for Mutual Cooperation & Support
Regarding Agency Stormwater Management – September 24, 2019
DATE: September 5, 2019

SUMMARY:

A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma, to continue providing a cooperative framework for coordination of certain stormwater management activities, for a one-year period, through September 30, 2020.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

The Environmental Services Department in coordination with the Port of Tacoma will continue to work together in an efficient and effective manner to protect the environment and the Puget Sound.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Tacoma and the Port of Tacoma entered into an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) September 2013 under Resolution No. 38724. In July 2018, the ILA was extended for one year under Resolution No. 40073. The purpose of the ILA is to memorialize the cooperation between the two agencies for managing the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (MS4). Authorization is requested for the City Manager to sign a second one-year extension of this agreement while both parties negotiate potential changes and updates to the language, reimbursement rates, and services detailed in the agreement for the following years. The agreement expires September 30, 2019. The ILA also contains language that documents cooperation for site inspections, provides for a courtesy review of stormwater requirements on Port projects that do not drain to City Infrastructure, and a provision for reimbursing stormwater system work one party does for another.

ISSUE: The existing ILA expires September 30, 2019. Staff from the City and Port wants to continue to operate cooperatively and continue the terms of the ILA.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternatives would be to let the ILA sunset or extend the ILA so both parties can continue to work cooperatively.

RECOMMENDATION:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.