



ORDINANCE NO. 28712

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to franchise fees; amending Ordinance No. 20367,
2 passed on March 18, 1975, to redirect franchise fee revenues from the
3 Special Revenue Fund, previously the Municipal Cable Television Program
4 Fund, to the General Fund for the purpose of allowing more flexibility in the
5 use of private cable franchise fees.

6 WHEREAS Ordinance No. 20367, passed on March 18, 1975, directs that
7 private cable franchise fees are to be deposited into Special Revenue Fund 1431
8 for the purpose of "implementing and operating a Municipal Cable Televisions
9 System and Program," and

10 WHEREAS, since the passage of Ordinance No. 20367, this revenue has
11 grown and now exceeds the cost of operating the Municipal Cable Television
12 System, and

13 WHEREAS the City uses these revenues to support the communications
14 costs related to the Media and Communications Office ("MCO"), which supports
15 the Cable TV System and the rest of the City's operations, and

16 WHEREAS this administrative change will allow the City more flexibility in
17 utilizing franchise fee revenues that are not otherwise restricted by another level of
18 government; Now, Therefore,

19 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

20 Section 1. That the City Council hereby adopts the Recitals of this
21 Ordinance as its formal legislative findings.

22 Section 2. That Ordinance No. 20367, passed on March 18, 1975, is hereby
23 amended to redirect franchise fee revenues from the Special Revenue Fund,
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Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney