

RESOLUTION NO. 40749

A RESOLUTION approving a Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Agreement between the City of Tacoma and City of Ruston; replacing and superseding all prior agreements; and establishing an initial term of 20 years, with three automatic renewal terms of ten years, for a total term of 50 years.

WHEREAS the City owns and operates a publicly owned treatment works ("POTW") under authority of RCW 35.21.210, 35.21.215, 35.67.020, and 35.92.020; Article XI, § 11 of the Washington State Constitution; and Section 4.1 of the Tacoma City Charter, which POTW includes the Central Treatment Plant ("CTP"), the North End Treatment Plant ("NETP"), and the sanitary sewer system, and

WHEREAS the City of Ruston ("Ruston") is a non-charter code city which owns and operates a municipal sanitary sewer system that collects and conveys wastewater to the Tacoma POTW under authority of RCW 35A.11.020, 35A.21.150, and 35.67.020; and Article XI, § 11 of the Washington State Constitution, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35.67.300, any city or town owning or operating its own sewer system may contract with any other city or town, for the discharge into its sewer system of wastewater from all or any part or parts of such other city or town, upon such terms and conditions and for such periods of time as may be deemed reasonable, and

WHEREAS Tacoma and Ruston entered into a joint use sewer agreement dated April 5, 1966, approved pursuant to Tacoma City Council Resolution No. 18667, providing for the construction and operation by Tacoma of a sanitary sewer interceptor line through Ruston, and establishing the rights, duties, and obligations of Tacoma and Ruston related to the use of the interceptor line and the



terms and conditions upon which Tacoma would provide wastewater treatment and disposal services to Ruston, and

WHEREAS Tacoma and Ruston entered into a construction and extension agreement dated June 30, 1978, approved pursuant to Tacoma City Council Resolution No. 25057, providing for construction and dedication to Ruston of a sewer extension through Ruston to convey wastewater originating from Tacoma and Ruston to a connection to the Tacoma POTW at the Ruston City limits, and

WHEREAS Tacoma and Ruston entered into a contract for sewage disposal commencing January 1, 1979, approved pursuant to Tacoma City Council Resolution No. 25290, incorporating by reference the above-referenced 1978 construction and extension agreement and certain provisions of the above-referenced 1966 joint use sewer agreement, and providing for wastewater treatment and disposal services to Ruston, and

WHEREAS Tacoma and Ruston entered into an interlocal agreement dated September 17, 2008, pursuant to which the parties agreed to jointly cooperate and participate in the Ruston Way Local Improvement District Project, pursuant to which the parties formed L.I.D. No. 3967, providing for the relocation and construction of sanitary sewer mains of various diameters, as a joint project of both jurisdictions, to serve the Point Ruston development within the City of Tacoma and Ruston, and

WHEREAS some of the sanitary sewer improvements constructed pursuant to L.I.D. No. 3967 have been or will be used by Ruston to provide sanitary sewer service to the Point Ruston properties located within Ruston, and



WHEREAS the term of the 1979 agreement has now expired and the City
Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the public health, safety,
and welfare that the City enter into a new Wastewater Treatment and Disposal
Agreement with Ruston, superseding and replacing the prior agreements of the
parties and establishing, among other things, the terms and conditions upon which
Tacoma will provide wastewater treatment and disposal services to Ruston; Now,
Therefore,

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

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute the Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Agreement between the City of Tacoma and City of Ruston for an initial term of 20 years, with three automatic renewal terms of ten years, for a total term of 50 years, in substantially the form of the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Attest:	Mayor
City Clerk	
Approved as to form:	
Chief Deputy City Attorney	