

## CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST

**TO:** Mayor & City Council

**FROM:** Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker and Council Assistant Claire Goodwin

**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Tadd Wille, Deputy City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City

Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Council Contingency Fund Request – Accommodations for Korean Delegation

**DATE:** June 23, 2021

I ask for your support for a Council Contingency Fund expenditure of \$5,000 to support the lodging and accommodations of a student group and host from Korea who are participating at the Asia Pacific Cultural Center's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary fundraiser as educational and cultural ambassadors.

Council Contingency Fund Request: The Asia Pacific Cultural Center (APCC) was founded in November of 1996 from the vision of a small group of citizens representing three generations of Americans from Asian and Pacific Islander heritage. This fall, APCC will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary and planning a 600-person fundraiser gala at the Tacoma Convention Center on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Entertainment will include a fashion show featuring clothing made exclusively from Korean paper designed and created by Kunjang University students and professors from Gunsan City, Korea. The following day, the delegation will teach a workshop on paper-making. This funding request will support this group of students and their accompanying professor with eight guest rooms for five nights in Tacoma at the Hotel Murano. The City of Tacoma would be one of several sponsors of the fundraiser including the Korean Foundation, which sponsored the student's airfare and print materials for the event.

**FUNDING REQUESTED: \$5,000** 

## **ALIGNMENT WITH TACOMA 2025 KEY FOCUS AREAS:**

**Education:** *Equity Index Score*: Low Opportunity

Increase the number of quality out of school time learning opportunities distributed equitably across the city.

If you have a question related to the Council Consideration Request, please contact Council Assistant Claire Goodwin at (253) 219-0679 or claire.goodwin@cityoftacoma.org.

SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY: Deputy Mayor Keith Blocker

## SUPPORTING COUNCIL MEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)

(Signatures demonstrate support to initiate discussion and consideration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy development and staff guidance/direction.)

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