

# City of Tacoma

# Legislation Text

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Req. #12911

## RESOLUTION NO. 3824

1 2	A RESOLUTION relating to the City's vision and definition of sustainability; establishing the City's vision and definition of sustainability; and establishing a framework for the City to track and report on its progress toward				
3	achievement of its vision of sustainability.				
4	WHEREAS the City endeavors to be recognized as a "livable and				
5	progressive international city, regarded for the richness of its multicultural				
6	population," and				
7 8	WHEREAS the City realizes that the natural resources essential to the				
9	economic, social, and cultural well-being of its citizens are finite, and				
10	WHEREAS the City recognizes its responsibility to improve human				
П	health while supporting a diverse community with equitable access to				
12	opportunities, and				
13	WHEREAS the City recognizes the value of cultural contributions, such				
14	as the arts, innovation, heritage, recreation, and the overall value of a high				
15	quality of life for its citizens, and				
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18	restoration of local and regional ecological quality is vital for our economic,				
19	social, and cultural well-being, and				
20	WHEREAS the City seeks to strengthen its position as a vibrant				
21	economic center and as a destination for investment, thus supporting local				
22 23	business, and				
24	WHEREAS "sustainability" is used by international, national, and local				
25	organizations to mean consideration of environmental, economic, social, and				
26	cultural values in decision making, and				

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- 2 of greenhouse gases and provide a blueprint to grow our local economy, to
- 3 make Tacoma more livable and more attractive, to allow our citizens to be
- 4 healthier, and to advance sustainability for the long term," and
- 5 WHEREAS, on October 31, 2008, the City Council adopted
- 6 Resolution No. 37631, creating the Office of Sustainability and establishing the
- 7 Sustainable Tacoma Commission on Climate Change; Now, Therefore, 8
- 9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:
- 10 Section 1. That the City's vision of sustainability is: (1) Tacoma will
- I 1 achieve exceptional quality of life for every generation and will leave a legacy of
- 12 stewardship and (2) Tacoma will achieve lasting and equitable prosperity; build
- 13 a safe, healthy, attractive, and vibrant community; and minimize negative
- impacts in order to conserve the natural resources that sustain it. 15
- 1 6 Section 2. That the City's definition of sustainability is: The City and its
- 17 citizens meet current needs without compromising the needs of future
- 18 generations, such that environmental, social, cultural, and economic
- 19 considerations are balanced and integrated in a day-to-day, decision-making
- 20 manner.
- 21 Section 3. That the City's vision and definition of sustainability will guide
- 22 and inform City policy; decision-making by City staff, boards, and commissions; 23
- 24 and the legislative decisions of the City Council.
- 25 Section 4. That the City will define goals toward achieving its vision and
- 26 implementing its definition of sustainability and measure and report yearly
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progress by defining City government and community sustainability indicators,

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- 2 such as the energy use consumption of the City government itself; and that the
- 3 City will adopt five- and ten-year targets for each defined sustainability indicator,
- 4 starting in the year 201 1.
- 5 Section 5. That, in addition to its duties regarding implementation of the
- 6 Climate Action Plan, the Sustainable Tacoma Commission on Climate Change

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- will be responsible for overseeing, coordinating, communicating, and
- 9 encouraging public involvement regarding sustainability initiatives as are
- 10 consistent with the City's vision and definition of sustainability.
- II Section 6. That, in addition to implementing the Climate Action Plan, the
- 12 Office of Sustainability will be responsible for researching policies, establishing
- 1 3 sustainability goals for City government and the community, supporting
- 14 implementation, integrating values, recommending and promoting practices,

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- 1 6 and partnering with government and businesses to advance the City's vision
- 17 and definition of sustainability within the City and the region.
- 18 Adopted APR 1 9 2011

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- 20 Mayor
- 21 Attest:

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# File #: RES-38247, Version: 1 24 Approved as to form: 25 26 **Deputy City Attorney** 3 tO6 Resl 291 I.doc-MPL/lad LEG 004 (11/89) CITY CLERK USE ONLY CE1VFn **REQUEST FOR** Tacoma Request E] ORDINANCE 0 RESOLUTION1 O'@, drd./Res. 2 A @'I 1'y CLERK'S 0 1. DATE: April 6, 2011 2. SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL mEmBER(s) NA (if no sponsor, enter "N/A!') 3a. REQUESTING 4a. CONTACT (for questions): PHONE: DEPARTMENT/DivisioN/PRoGRAm 591-5571 Kristin Lynett City Manager/Office of Sustainability 3b. "Do PASS" FROM EPW N Yes PHONE: 4b. Person Presenting: F-1 No Kristin Lynett 591-5571 F@ To Committee as information only F-1 Did not go before a Committee 3c. DID THIS ITEM GO BEFORE THE PHONE: 4c. ATTORNEY: Martha Lantz PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD? 591-5633 Yes, on [Date] Not required N/A **Budget Officer/Finance Director** Citv 5. REQUESTED COUNCIL DATE: April 19, 201 1 (If a specific council meeting date is required, explain why; i.e., grant application deadline, contract expiration date, required contract execution date, public notice or hearing required, etc.)

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6. SUMMARY AGENDA TITLE: (A concise sentence, as it will appear on the Council agenda.)

The City Council defines and recommits to sustainability.

7.BACKGROUND INFORMATION/GENERAL DISCUSSION: (Why is this request necessary? Are there legal requirements?

What are the viable alternatives? Who has been involved in the process?)

The Sustainable Tacoma Commission brought this policy recommendation to EPW numerous times and most recently passed on March 23, 201 1. This resolution brings clarity to the City's definition of sustainability and recommits the City to track and report on our progress.

8. LIST ALL MATERIAL AVAILABLE AS BACKUP INFORMATION FOR THE REQUEST AND INDICATE WHERE FILED:

Source Documents/Backup Material

Location of Document

2008 Climate Action Plan

www.Cityoftacoma.org/sustainability

On File with Clerk's Office

9. WHICHOFTHECITY'SSTRATEGIcGoALsDOEsTHISITEMSUPPORT?(CHECKTHEGOALTHATBEsTAPPLIES)

A. 0 A SAFE, CLEAN AND ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITY

B. N A DIVERSE, PRODUCTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY

C. RA HIGH-PERFORMING, OPEN AND ENGAGED GOVERNMENT

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10. IF THIS CONTRACT IS FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$200,000 OR LESS, EXPLAIN WHY IT NEEDS LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL:

11. FINANCIAL IMPACT: F-I EXPENDITURE R REVENUE

A. Z No IMPACT (NO FISCAL NOTE)

B. YES, OVER \$1 00,000, Fiscal Note Attached

C. YES, UNDER \$1 00,000, (NO FISCAL NOTE)
Provide funding source information below:

FUNDING SOURCE: (Enter amount of funding from each source)

Fund Number & Name: State \$ city \$ Other \$ Total Amount

If an expenditure, is it budgeted? E-1 Yes El No Where? Cost Center:

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Adopted:

Maker of Motion:

Seconded:

Voice Vote:

**MEMBERS** 

Mr. Boe

**AYES** 

NAYS

**ABSTAIN** 

**ABSENT** 

Mr. Campbell Mr. Fey Mr. Lonergan

Mr. Manthou

Mr. Mello

Ms. Walker

Ms. Woodards Mayor Strickland

Roll Call Vote:

**MEMBERS** 

**AYES** 

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