



RESOLUTION NO. 41966

1 A RESOLUTION relating to Tacoma Municipal Court; accepting a grant from
2 the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts, in the amount
3 of \$344,243.32, and depositing said sum into the Courts Special
4 Revenue Fund, to support therapeutic court operations, through June
5 30, 2027.

6 WHEREAS the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts
7 ("AOC") offers therapeutic court funding to courts of limited jurisdiction across
8 the state on an annual recurring basis, but requires that courts re-apply every
9 year to continue receiving funds, and

10 WHEREAS Tacoma Municipal Court's ("TMC") therapeutic courts have
11 been primarily funded by grants through the AOC since 2021, and

12 WHEREAS this funding reimburses the operational cost of therapeutic
13 courts, including staff salaries/benefits, equipment and training costs, and direct
14 client supports (such as treatment services, transportation assistance, and
15 more), and

16 WHEREAS TMC's therapeutic court program connects justice-involved
17 individuals to community resources, such as mental health and substance use
18 disorder treatment, housing assistance, employment/education assistance, and
19 more, and

20 WHEREAS the goal of therapeutic courts is to help individuals resolve
21 the root causes that may have led to their criminal offenses and prevent them
22 from returning to the criminal-legal system in the future, and

23 WHEREAS the City has applied for and been awarded \$344,243.32 in
24 reimbursement-based funding from AOC, from July 1, 2026 through
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1 June 30, 2027, and on an ongoing basis for annual funding awards thereafter,
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3 WHEREAS this resolution would allow TMC to enter into an agreement
4 with AOC for the next state fiscal year 2027 and all subsequent years that state
5 therapeutic court funding remains available, and
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7 WHEREAS, under the grant process guidelines, the City Council must
8 approve acceptance of grant funding; Now, Therefore,
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10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

11 Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to
12 accept grant funding from Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts,
13 in the amount of \$344,243.32, for deposit into the Courts Special Revenue, for
14 the purpose of supporting Tacoma Municipal Court's therapeutic court program.
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Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement and any associated term extensions with the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts for the administration of the funding accepted pursuant to Section 1.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney