RESOLUTION NO. 41774

BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS HINES, RUMBAUGH AND WALKER

A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds; in the amount of $7,500, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to sponsor “Trick or Streets” in the City.

WHEREAS “Trick or Streets” is hosted by Safe Streets and offers neighbors the opportunity to close residential streets to vehicle traffic to promote a safe and fun environment to host Halloween, Dia de los Muertos, and fall-themed celebrations, and

WHEREAS community members citywide will be able to register their street for closure with Safe Streets at no cost during the weekend of October 31 through November 2, 2025, and

WHEREAS Safe Streets is a non-profit organization that aims to unite and inspire youth, neighbors, and businesses to build safe, healthy, and thriving communities and has experience successfully hosting National Night Out in the City, which similarly enables neighbors to host block parties and community events focused on fostering positive community celebrations and partnerships, and

WHEREAS without implementing “Trick or Streets”, community members would need to fulfil the City’s standard permitting process for special events to close their block to vehicle traffic, which entails costs and other permit requirements, and

WHEREAS Halloween is one of the most dangerous nights of the year for pedestrians, and

WHEREAS children ages four to eight years old are especially vulnerable and more likely to be hit and killed by a car on Halloween compared to any other night of the year, and

WHEREAS last year, five traffic collisions with injuries took place on October 31, and at least three children were hit by cars in the City,

WHEREAS by closing some streets in the City, “Trick or Streets” aims to enhance pedestrian safety in alignment with the City’s Vision Zero commitment, which aims to eliminate traffic fatalities and serious injuries in the City by 2035, and

WHEREAS “Trick or Streets” will also be a family-friendly event that brings neighbors together, helping to advance the City’s livability and community building goals outlined in the City’s 2025 Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS the City’s sponsorship would be acknowledged through the use of the City logo on citywide advertising and promotion materials and the sponsorship will also enable “Trick or Streets” to be offered free of charge and citywide, as long as the event is open to the public, and

WHEREAS, at the October 1, 2025, Study Session, Council Member Hines shared a Council Consideration Request to authorize the one-time use of $7,500, from the Council Contingency Fund to sponsor “Trick or Streets” in the City, and

WHEREAS City staff will negotiate and execute an agreement for services, with terms and deliverables for the City’s investment, and

WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of

which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of adopting the budget, and

WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the foregoing Recitals are hereby adopted as the City Council's legislative findings.

Section 2. That one-time funding in the amount of $7,500, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of sponsoring "Trick or Streets" in the City.

Section 3. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to confirm deliverables with Safe Streets for the purposes hereinabove enumerated, and document as appropriate.

Adopted _____

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Chief Deputy City Attorney