



RESOLUTION NO. 41919

1 A RESOLUTION relating to infrastructure projects; authorizing the submittal of a
2 grant application with the Washington State Historical Society in the
3 amount of \$1,000,000, together with \$2,520,000 in matching City funds,
4 budgeted from the Capital Project Fund, for a cumulative total
5 \$3,520,000, for the Tacoma Municipal Building Historic Preservation
6 project.

7 WHEREAS the Tacoma Municipal Building was officially dedicated on
8 January 29, 1931, as the Rhodes Medical Arts Building, and
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10 WHEREAS the City purchased the building in 1977, and it was listed on
11 the Tacoma and National Register of Historic Places in 1978, and
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13 WHEREAS on August 5, 2025, City Council approved Resolution
14 No. 41729, awarding a contract for the initial phase of exterior preservation work
15 that is currently underway, and
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17 WHEREAS in February of 2026, the Washington State Historical Society
18 opened the Heritage Capital Projects stage-one application window for the
19 Washington State Historical Society's 2027 to 2029 biennium, and
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21 WHEREAS City's Public Works Department ("PW") applied for stage-one
22 review and has been provided the opportunity to apply for the stage-two, full
23 grant application, and
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25 WHEREAS in preparation for the submission of this application and to
26 meet the application requirements, PW is requesting the City Council's support
and approval to pursue the Heritage Capital Project grant in the amount of
\$1,000,000, and



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WHEREAS the grant award requires a City match of \$2,520,000 which has already been budgeted in the Capital Project Fund, and

WHEREAS the PW recommends approval of this resolution as it will allow for the continued preservation of the historic Tacoma Municipal Building; Now, Therefore,

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

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to submit a grant application with the Washington State Historical Society in the amount of \$1,000,000, together with \$2,520,000 in matching City funds, budgeted from the Capital Project Fund, for a cumulative total \$3,520,000, for the Tacoma Municipal Building Historic Preservation project.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney