RESOLUTION NO. 39106

BY REQUEST OF MAYOR STRICKLAND

A RESOLUTION approving the City of Tacoma’s Ten-Year Citywide Strategic Plan and Vision, *Tacoma 2025*; and establishing the Tacoma 2025 Advisory Committee, to consist of 11 members to be appointed by the Mayor.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 38652, adopted April 2, 2013, a Fiscal Sustainability Task Force (“Task Force”) was created to provide a mechanism for members of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, along with private and public sector partners, non-profit interests, and labor partners, to examine the City’s revenue structure and structural budget deficit, and

WHEREAS the purpose of the Task Force was to develop recommendations for revenue enhancements and expenditure efficiencies to help the City reduce its structural deficit and align the growth of expenditures with the growth of revenues, and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2013, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 38808, accepting the final report and recommendations of the Task Force, and

WHEREAS the final report provided approximately 28 recommendations for further research and consideration, including a recommendation that the City undertake a long-term visioning process, and

WHEREAS, at the January 7, 2014, Committee of the Whole meeting, staff was directed to initiate a selection process to award a professional services contract for the facilitation and creation of a ten-year Citywide Strategic Plan and Vision document for the City of Tacoma, and

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WHEREAS the City Council envisions a long-term comprehensive Strategic Plan that aligns with the City Council’s Five Policy Priorities, establishes the City’s long-term vision for the City, and guides decision-making and resource allocation, with the goal of making the City a leader in providing high-quality services and offering an enjoyable and sustainable quality of life for its residents, and

WHEREAS the planning process included staff participation, community and civic engagement, and significant external agency collaboration, and

WHEREAS more than 2,000 City residents participated in the Citywide Vision and Strategic Plan process through a dozen fairs and festivals, an online forum, a community survey, and a series of citywide visioning events, and

WHEREAS more than 300 residents gathered at the Convention Center on July 30, 2014, to share their vision for a shared future, and, as a result of community engagement and feedback, the Citywide Strategic Vision and Plan identified the following seven focus areas to guide the City in striving for its vision of Tacoma 2025: Health and Safety, Human and Social Needs, Economic Vibrancy and Employment, Education and Learning, Arts and Cultural Vitality, Built and Natural Environment, and Government Performance, and

WHEREAS each of the focus areas are influenced by the following core values identified by the community: Opportunity, Equity, Partnerships, and Accountability; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Council hereby approves the Ten-Year Citywide Strategic Plan and Vision of the City of Tacoma, Tacoma 2025, to guide the City in
a long-term comprehensive Strategic Plan that aligns with the City Council’s Five Policy Priorities, establishes the long-term vision for Tacoma, and will serve to guide decision-making and resource allocation, with the goal of making the City a leader in providing high-quality services and offering an enjoyable and sustainable quality of life for its residents.

Section 2. That the Tacoma 2025 Advisory Committee, to consist of 11 members to be appointed by the Mayor, is hereby established to provide input on desired objectives and outcomes, monitor plan implementation, and review performance reports during the development and implementation process.

Adopted ____________________

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney