



Legislation Passed November 15, 2016

The Tacoma City Council, at its regular City Council meeting of November 15, 2016, adopted the following resolutions and/or ordinances. The summary of the contents of said resolutions and/or ordinances are shown below. To view the full text of the document, click on the bookmark at the left of the page.

Resolution No. 39579

A resolution approving adjustments to charges related to freight switching, and authorizing the reissuance of Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807.

[Dan McCabe, Rail Section Manager; Dale King, Rail Superintendent]

Resolution No. 39580

A resolution authorizing the execution of a non exclusive perpetual easement to Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to allow construction of a pipeline to provide compressed natural gas to the Metro Parks Tacoma Greenhouse Facilities located at the Tacoma Recovery and Transfer Center.

[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

Resolution No. 39581

A resolution amending and adopting the Legislative Policy Statement for the years 2017 and 2018.

[Randall Lewis, Government Relations Officer]

Resolution No. 39582

A resolution amending the Capital Planning Policies section of the City's Financial and Budget Policy Statement.

[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

Resolution No. 39583

A resolution reaffirming the City's commitment to the principles of equity and inclusion, and to continue defending, promoting, and introducing policies and practices that seek to improve opportunities and quality of life for all residents, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, country of origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious beliefs.

[Mayor Strickland]

Ordinance No. 28319

An ordinance vacating the alley right-of-way lying between East 29th Street and East 30th Street from the east margin of Portland Avenue to the west margin of East R Street, for the construction of a multi-level parking garage structure in preparation for the Emerald Queen Casino relocation.

(Puyallup Tribe of Indians; File No. 124.1350)

[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

Ordinance No. 28379

An ordinance vacating a portion of the alley between East 25th Street and Puyallup Avenue, lying between A Street and State Route 705, for a private driveway. (Skookum Holdings, LLC; File No. 124.1366)
[Phyllis K. Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

Ordinance No. 28386

An ordinance fixing the amount of the Ad Valorem tax levies necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from property tax levies to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

Ordinance No. 28387

An ordinance authorizing an increase for the 2017 general property tax revenue collection in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

Ordinance No. 28388

An ordinance fixing the amount of the Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

Ordinance No. 28389

An ordinance authorizing an increase for the 2017 Emergency Medical Services property tax levy in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]



RESOLUTION NO. 39579

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Public Utilities, Belt Line Division
2 (d.b.a. "Tacoma Rail"); approving adjustments to charges related to freight
3 switching, and authorizing the reissuance of Tacoma Municipal Belt Line
4 Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807.

5 WHEREAS the customers of the Department of Public Utilities, Beltline
6 Division (d.b.a. "Tacoma Rail"), consist of local industries and other railroads, and

7 WHEREAS the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway ("TMBL") 8807 series
8 tariff defines line haul and miscellaneous switching charges allocated to the
9 movement of railcars, and

10 WHEREAS line haul rates are typically charged to the BNSF Railway
11 Company or Union Pacific Railroad Company, unless the industry served or
12 shipper elects to pay the fee themselves, and

13 WHEREAS the rates associated with Tacoma Rail's commercial and
14 intermodal line haul traffic in the Freight Tariff TMBL 8807 series were last updated
15 in 2012, and miscellaneous charges were last updated in 2007, and

16 WHEREAS Tacoma Rail is recommending adjustments to charges related
17 to freight switching, and is requesting authorization to reissue its Freight Tariff
18 TMBL 8807 to incorporate such adjustments, and

19 WHEREAS the proposed Freight Tariff TMBL 8807-G includes a rate
20 increase of \$5.00 for commercial line hauls, \$3.00 for intermodal line hauls, and
21 3 percent on all miscellaneous charges, and

22 WHEREAS Section 4.11 of the Tacoma City Charter requires that all
23 matters related to the fixing of rates and charges for utility services shall be
24 initiated by the Board and approved by the City Council, and
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WHEREAS, by adoption of Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-10887 on October 26, 2016, the proposed changes were approved, pending confirmation from the City Council; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the request of the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division (d.b.a. "Tacoma Rail"), to adjust charges related to freight switching, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807-F is hereby reissued as the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807-G, to become effective January 1, 2017, said document to be substantially in the form of the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney

Requested by Public Utility Board
Resolution No. U-10887



RESOLUTION NO. 39580

1 A RESOLUTION relating to City-owned property; authorizing the execution of a
2 non-exclusive perpetual easement to Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to allow
3 construction of a natural gas pipeline to provide compressed natural gas
4 to the Metro Parks Tacoma Greenhouse Facilities located at the Tacoma
Recovery and Transfer Center.

5 WHEREAS, on November 17, 2015, pursuant to Resolution No. 39313,
6 the City Council authorized the execution of a 20-year lease agreement with
7 Metro Parks Tacoma ("Metro Parks") for the construction, maintenance, and
8 operation of greenhouses and related facilities on a portion of the closed Landfill
9 at the Recovery and Transfer Center site, and
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11 WHEREAS Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") has requested a permanent
12 easement on City property to provide natural gas service to the greenhouse
13 facilities, and

14 WHEREAS the proposed easement will provide the fueling infrastructure
15 necessary to power the boilers that will heat the greenhouse facilities efficiently,
16 will put a portion of the closed Landfill to a productive use, and will help defray
17 the capital costs of the PSE improvements that were installed for Solid Waste
18 Management's CNG truck fueling system, and
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20 WHEREAS the Landfill is subject to the requirements of the Tacoma
21 Landfill Consent Decree entered into between the City, the U.S. Environmental
22 Protection Agency ("EPA"), and Washington State Department of Ecology
23 ("Ecology") in 1991, and a 2001 Restrictive Covenant on the Landfill was
24 recorded following completion of remediation of the site, and
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WHEREAS the proposed easement requires that PSE comply with the applicable requirements of the Consent Decree and the Restrictive Covenant, including a requirement that PSE not disturb the cap system without prior approval of EPA and Ecology; Now, Therefore,

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

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a non-exclusive perpetual easement to Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to allow construction of a natural gas pipeline to provide compressed natural gas to the Metro Parks Tacoma Greenhouse Facilities located at the Tacoma Recovery and Transfer Center, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed easement on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



RESOLUTION NO. 39581

1 A RESOLUTION relating to government relations; amending and adopting the
2 Legislative Policy Statement of the City of Tacoma for 2017-2018.

3 WHEREAS the City maintains a set of adopted policy statements in its
4 "Legislative Policy Statement" to guide the lobbying activities of the City and to
5 express the City's positions on a variety of issues that may come before the
6 United States Congress and Washington State Legislature, and

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8 WHEREAS it is necessary to periodically amend these policy statements
9 as issues change and new issues emerge; Now, Therefore,

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

11 That the City Council hereby amends and adopts the City of Tacoma
12 Legislative Policy Statement for the upcoming sessions of the United States
13 Congress and the Washington State Legislature for the years 2017 and 2018,
14 said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed Legislative Policy
15 Statement on file in the office of the City Clerk.
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18 Adopted _____

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20 Mayor

21 Attest:

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City Clerk

24 Approved as to form:

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City Attorney



RESOLUTION NO. 39582

1 A RESOLUTION relating to finance and budget; amending the Capital Planning
2 Policies section of the Financial and Budget Policy Statement of the City
3 of Tacoma.

4 WHEREAS the City's Financial and Budget Policy Statement was last
5 updated in 2013, and

6 WHEREAS the document incorporates "best practices" of budgeting,
7 financial, and debt management; comprehensively combines and updates key
8 policies; and provides a framework for the biennial budget, and

9 WHEREAS the Capital Planning Policies section of the document should
10 be updated to reflect changes to policies that govern the management of
11 Special Capital Funds 3211, 1140, and 1060, which are used to manage and
12 track multi-year capital projects, and

13 WHEREAS, unlike other funds in the City, the proposed amendment
14 would establish multi-year appropriation authority for said funds, and, for active
15 capital projects, unspent appropriations at the end of a biennium will be carried
16 over to the next biennium without further action by the City Council, and

17 WHEREAS the proposed updates reflect a new best practice and
18 transparent strategy for managing capital project budgets; Now, Therefore,
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the Capital Planning Policies section of the Financial and Budget Policy Statement of the City of Tacoma is hereby amended as set forth in the attached Exhibit "A."

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



EXHIBIT "A"

1 Capital Planning Budget Policies

2 The major sources of funding for the ~~operating divisions' capital improvement and~~
3 ~~extraordinary maintenance programs capital budget~~ are revenues, grants, and debt.
4 Financing planned capital replacement costs are an ongoing challenge. It involves
5 evaluating capital assets, estimating their expected useful lives, projecting
6 replacement costs, examining financing options, determining bonding levels,
7 estimating user fees/tax levies, and evaluating the impact on property
8 owners/stakeholders.

7 Estimating future needs well in advance helps the City develop practical strategies
8 for meeting future demands. Preparing for the challenges of infrastructure
9 replacement or enhancements demands a long-term view of replacement needs in
10 an effort to:

- 10 • Ensure that the City's infrastructure is improved to meet the community's
11 expectations and that there is no further growth in aggregate dollar amount
12 of deferred maintenance.
- 12 • Moderate changes in tax levies and user fees.
- 13 • Manage debt levels.
- 14 • Predict and carefully plan for future debt issuance.
- 14 • Provide stable revenues.
- 15 • Limit the use of special assessments to finance replacement costs.
- 16 • In general, sharp changes in tax levies and user fees are unacceptable to
17 citizens, business owners, and elected officials. In order to provide stability
18 the City will:
 - 18 ○ Develop a six-year capital planning and financing system for use in
19 preparing a multi-year capital plan for adoption by the City Council as
20 required by the Growth Management Act of Washington State.
 - 20 ○ ~~Require all operating divisions to prepare multi-year capital plans.~~
 - 21 ○ Assign the responsibility for coordinating and preparing the City's Capital
22 Facilities Program to the Office of Management & Budget.
 - 22 ○ Consider long-term borrowing as an appropriate method of financing
23 large capital projects that benefit more than one generation of users.
 - 23 ○ ~~Adopt the first two years of the six-year capital plan as part of the City's
24 biennial budget.~~

24 Appropriating the Capital Budget

25 Unlike the operating budget, which sets appropriation levels for the two years of the
26 upcoming biennium, the capital budget establishes multi-year or long-term



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appropriation authority. Budgetary control, the level at which expenditures cannot legally exceed the appropriated amount, is exercised at the fund level. The capital budget approved by City Council establishes the appropriation or spending authority for the duration of all projects residing in each capital fund. Amounts approved will not lapse and will remain until expended for the intended purpose or unencumbered by a future ordinance.

Capital project and grant appropriations lapse when the project or grant activity is completed. For open projects, any unspent appropriations at biennium end will not lapse and will be carried over to the next biennium without further Council action.

Amendments to a capital fund budget may be initiated for any the following reasons:

- To appropriate new projects as approved by the City Council.
- To appropriate additional expenses as a result of new funds or use of reserves.
- To transfer funds between projects that have a similar purpose.

The Office of Management & Budget shall perform an annual review of all capital projects and provides status updates to the City Council. The review will include capital budget amendments.



RESOLUTION NO. 39583

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR STRICKLAND AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOODARDS

2 A RESOLUTION reaffirming the City's commitment to the principles of equity and
3 inclusion, and to continue defending, promoting, and introducing policies
4 and practices that seek to improve opportunities and quality of life for all
5 residents, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, country of origin, sexual
6 orientation, gender identity, or religious beliefs.

7 WHEREAS the City Council has taken numerous policy actions to
8 demonstrate the City of Tacoma's commitment to upholding the rights of all people,
9 and

10 WHEREAS recent examples of these actions include:

11 • 2010: Resolution calling for federal-level immigration reform, and
12 opposing Arizona Senate Bill 1071;

13 • 2012: Resolutions amending the City's legislative agenda to include
14 support for Washington State's marriage equality law, and calling on all people and
15 entities in the community to create the expectation that all children who attend
16 Tacoma Public Schools will be successful;

17 • 2013: Proclamations designating August 15, 2013, as the day to
18 celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the National Association for the Advancement
19 of Colored People ("NAACP"), and October 2013 as Filipino American History
20 Month;

21 • 2014: Resolution setting forth the Equity and Empowerment Initiative
22 Framework;

23 • 2015: Resolutions approving the City's joining the Welcoming Cities and
24 Counties Initiative, approving the use of City Council Contingency Funds for the
25 Eastside Healthy Food Initiative, and "Banning the Box," from the City's
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1 employment application form; and a Proclamation designating November as
2 American Indian Heritage Month;

3 • 2016: Resolutions accepting the Latino Town Hall final report and
4 directing the City Manager to identify opportunities for Latino community
5 engagement, authorizing the use of City Council Contingency Funds to support the
6 Peace Community Center's capital campaign, and supporting the Center for
7 Popular Democracy's Anti-Hate campaign; and a Proclamation designating
8 September as Welcoming Week in the City, and

9 • Annual designation of July as LGBTQ Pride Month, and flying of the Gay
10 Pride flag over Tacoma Municipal Building North, and

11 WHEREAS, in addition to legislative action, the City has endeavored to
12 build bridges with the Chinese community by supporting the Chinese
13 Reconciliation Project Foundation and Chinese Reconciliation Park over the past
14 20 years, and

15 WHEREAS, in 2015 and 2016, the City hosted several workshops and
16 events through Project PEACE to build relationships, trust, and understanding
17 between the Tacoma Police Department and the community, and

18 WHEREAS the City also enjoys relationships with 14 Sister Cities around
19 the world to promote economic development as well as cultural and educational
20 exchanges, and

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

22 That the City of Tacoma hereby reaffirms its commitment to the principles of
23 equity and inclusion, and will continue to defend, promote, and introduce policies
24 and practices that seek to improve opportunities and quality of life for all residents,
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regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, country of origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious beliefs.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney



ORDINANCE NO. 28319

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3 AN ORDINANCE related to the vacation of City right-of-way; vacating all that
4 certain alley lying between East 29th Street and East 30th Street, from
5 the easterly margin of Portland Avenue to the westerly margin of
6 East "R" Street, for the construction of a multi-level parking garage
7 structure in preparation for the Emerald Queen Casino relocation; and
8 adopting the Hearing Examiner's Findings, Conclusions, and
9 Recommendations related thereto.

10 WHEREAS all steps and proceedings required by law and by resolution
11 of the City Council to vacate the portion of the right-of-way hereinafter
12 described have been duly taken and performed; Now, Therefore,

13 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

14 Section 1. That the City Council hereby adopts the Hearing Examiner's
15 Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations as contained in the Hearing
16 Examiner's Report and Recommendation to the City Council bearing File
17 No. 124.1350 and dated August 4, 2015, which Report is on file in the office of
18 the City Clerk.
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Section 2. That all that certain alley lying between East 29th Street and East 30th Street, from the easterly margin of Portland Avenue to the westerly margin of East "R" Street, described as follows:

All that certain alley right of way lying between and abutting Blocks 7946 and 8045 of the Indian Addition to the City of Tacoma, as per plat recorded in Volume 7 of Plats at Page 30, records of Pierce County, Washington.

EXCEPT therefrom the Westerly 18 feet thereof.

Situate in the City of Tacoma, County of Pierce, State of Washington; within Section 10, Township 20 North, Range 03 East of the Willamette Meridian;

is hereby vacated, and the land so vacated is hereby surrendered and attached to the property bordering thereon, as a part thereof, and all right or title of the City in and to the portion of the right-of-way so vacated does hereby vest in the owners of the property abutting thereon, all in the manner provided by law; provided, however, that the petitioner must comply with the following conditions prior to finalization of the vacation:

Environmental Services:

All existing ES infrastructure must be relocated, made operational, and accepted in accordance with an approved Work Order.



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Tacoma Power and Click! Network

All existing infrastructure must be relocated, energized, and accepted prior to completion of this vacation petition.

Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Property description approved:

Deputy City Attorney

Chief Surveyor
Public Works Department

Location: All that certain alley lying between East 29th Street and East 30th Street, from the easterly margin of Portland Avenue to the westerly margin of East "R" Street

Petitioner: Puyallup Tribe of Indians
Vacation Req. No. 124.1350



ORDINANCE NO. 28379

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2 AN ORDINANCE related to the vacation of City right-of-way; vacating a portion
3 of the alley between East 25th Street and Puyallup Avenue, lying
4 between "A" Street and State Route 705, for a private driveway; and
5 adopting the Hearing Examiner's Findings, Conclusions, and
6 Recommendations related thereto.

7 WHEREAS all steps and proceedings required by law and by
8 resolution of the City Council to vacate the portion of the right-of-way
9 hereinafter described have been duly taken and performed; Now,

10 Therefore,

11 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

12 Section 1. That the City Council hereby adopts the Hearing
13 Examiner's Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations as contained in
14 the Hearing Examiner's Report and Recommendation to the City Council
15 bearing File No. 124.1366 and dated August 16, 2016, which Report is on
16 file in the office of the City Clerk.
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Section 2. That the portion of the alley between East 25th Street and Puyallup Avenue, lying between "A" Street and State Route 705, legally described as follows:

That portion of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 09, Township 20 North, Range 03 East, W.M., more particularly described as follows:

The alley abutting Lots 5 & 6, inclusive, Block 7515 and Block 7416, Tacoma Land Company's First Addition to Tacoma W.T., according to the plat filed July 7, 1884, records of Pierce County Auditor;

Except that portion for SR-705.

Situate in the City of Tacoma, County of Pierce, State of Washington;

is hereby vacated, and the land so vacated is hereby surrendered and attached to the property bordering thereon, as a part thereof, and all right or



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title of the City in and to the portion of the right-of-way so vacated does hereby
vest in the owners of the property abutting thereon, all in the manner provided
by law.

Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney

Property description approved:

Chief Surveyor
Public Works Department

Location: A portion of the alley between East 25th Street and Puyallup
Avenue, lying between "A" Street and State Route 705
Petitioner: Skookum Holdings, LLC
Vacation Req. No. 124.1366



ORDINANCE NO. 28386

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; fixing the amount of the
2 Ad Valorem tax levies necessary to identify the amount of the estimated
3 revenues from property tax levies to match estimated expenditures for debt
service and other funding requirements.

4 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.52.020 and RCW 84.52.070, the City of
5 Tacoma is requesting property taxes in the amount as described below and as
6 certified to Pierce County, and

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8 WHEREAS the total levy is \$60,215,522.89, exclusive of additional revenue
9 derived from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind
10 turbines, any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and any
11 annexations that have occurred and refunds made, and

12 WHEREAS the population of the City of Tacoma is more than 10,000; Now,
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14 Therefore,

15 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

16 Section 1. That the City of Tacoma hereby certifies to Pierce County
17 (“County”) the total levy amount of \$60,215,522.89, exclusive of the amount
18 derived from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind
19 turbines, any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and any
20 annexations that have occurred and refunds made, to be collected in 2017.

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22 Section 2. That the taxes herein provided for are levied to match the
23 estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements and are
24 hereby levied upon all real and personal property as shown by the assessment in
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the County, as finally and hereafter fixed by the County and State Board of Equalization, and as finally extended upon the books of the County Assessor showing the property within the City subject to taxation for municipal purposes and upon the amount of said real and personal property in accordance with certified assessed valuation of all taxable property within the City of Tacoma as fixed in 2016 for collection in 2017, as provided by the Pierce County Assessor.

Section 3. That the taxes collected from levies hereby fixed and made, together with the estimated revenues from sources other than Ad Valorem taxation, which will constitute the appropriations of the City for the fiscal year 2017 are hereby available for appropriation, all as itemized and classified in the Biennial Budget for fiscal years 2017-2018, as adopted, pursuant to the laws of the state of Washington.

Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



ORDINANCE NO. 28387

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; authorizing an increase in
2 the 2017 general property tax revenue collection in terms of dollars and
percentage.

3 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City is requesting an
4 increase in the authorized levy collected in the 2017 tax year, and

5 WHEREAS it is necessary for the City to identify the amount of the
6 estimated revenues from property tax levies to match the estimated expenditures
7 for debt service and other funding requirements, and

8 WHEREAS the 2017 levy would be set at a 0.574865 percent and
9 \$344,179.14 increase over the previous year's actual levy of \$59,871,343.75,
10 exclusive of additional revenue derived from new construction, improvements to
11 property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that have occurred
12 and administrative refunds made, and any increase in the value of
13 state-assessed property, and

14 WHEREAS the population of the City of Tacoma is more than 10,000;
15 Now, Therefore,

16 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

17 That a 0.574865 percent and \$344,179.14 increase over the 2016 actual
18 levy of \$59,871,343.75 is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2017
19 tax year, exclusive of the increase due to new construction, improvements to
20 property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that have occurred
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and administrative refunds made, and any increases in the value of state-assessed property. The authorized 2017 levy amount will be \$60,215,522.89.

Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



ORDINANCE NO. 28388

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; fixing the amount of the
2 Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of the
3 estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated
4 expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.

4 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.52.020 and RCW 84.52.070, the City of
5 Tacoma is requesting property taxes in the amount as described below and as
6 certified to Pierce County, and

7 WHEREAS property tax levies are limited by RCW 84.55.010, to an increase
8 of 1 percent on the highest levy since 1985, and by RCW 84.52.069, to \$0.50 per
9 \$1,000 of assessed property value in the taxing district, and

10 WHEREAS the 2017 levy is limited to \$10,218,594.93, a 1 percent increase
11 over the highest levy of \$10,117,420.72 in 2010, and

12 WHEREAS the current assessed property value in the taxing district is
13 \$20,880,334,823, and limits the 2017 collectable levy to \$10,218,594.93; Now,
14 Therefore,

15 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

16 Section 1. That the City of Tacoma hereby certifies to Pierce County the
17 total levy amount of \$10,218,594.93, exclusive of the amount derived from new
18 construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any
19 increase in the value of state-assessed utility property, and any annexations that
20 have occurred and refunds made, to be collected in 2017.

21 Section 2. That the taxes herein provided for are levied to match the
22 estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements and are
23 hereby levied upon all the real and personal property as shown by the assessment



1 in Pierce County ("County") as finally and hereafter fixed by the County and State
 2 Board of Equalization, and as finally extended upon the books of the County
 3 Assessor showing the property within said City, subject to taxation for municipal
 4 purposes and upon the amount of said real and personal property in accordance
 5 with certified assessed valuation of all taxable property within the City of Tacoma as
 6 fixed in 2016 for collection in 2017, as provided by the Pierce County Assessor.
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8 Section 3. That the taxes collected from the levy hereby fixed and made,
 9 together with the estimated revenues from sources other than Ad Valorem taxation,
 10 which will constitute the appropriations of the City for the fiscal year 2017, are
 11 hereby available for appropriation, all as itemized and classified in the Biennial
 12 Budget for the fiscal years 2017-2018, as adopted, pursuant to the laws of the state
 13 of Washington.
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 City Clerk

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 25 Deputy City Attorney
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ORDINANCE NO. 28389

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; authorizing an increase in terms
2 of both dollars and percentage for the 2017 Emergency Medical Services
property tax levy.

3 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City is requesting an increase
4 in the amount collected from the 2017 Tacoma Emergency Medical Services
5 (“EMS”) property tax levy, and

6 WHEREAS it is necessary to identify the amount of estimated revenues
7 from property tax levies to match the estimated expenditures for debt service and
8 other funding requirements, and

9 WHEREAS EMS property tax levies are limited by the lesser amount
10 calculated by RCW 84.55.010, to an increase of 1 percent on the highest levy
11 since 1985, or by RCW 84.52.069, to \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property
12 value in the taxing district, and

13 WHEREAS the assessed values for 2017 are high enough for the EMS
14 levy to be set based on a 1 percent increase over the highest levy since 1985,
15 rather than the maximum rate of \$0.50 per \$1,000, and

16 WHEREAS the 2017 levy is limited to \$10,218,594.93, a 1 percent
17 increase over the highest levy of \$10,117,420.72 in 2010, which represents a
18 7.4764577 percent and \$710,843.05 increase over the previous year’s actual levy
19 of \$9,507,751.88, exclusive of additional revenue derived from new construction,
20 improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that
21 have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increase in the value of
22 state-assessed property, and
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WHEREAS the current assessed values in the EMS property tax boundary total \$20,880,334,823, and, due to statutory requirements, limits the 2017 collectible levy to a 7.4764577 percent and \$710,854.05 increase from the previous year's actual levy, and

WHEREAS the population of the district is more than 10,000; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the 2017 EMS property tax levy is hereby authorized to increase by 7.4764577 percent and \$710,843.05 from the previous year's actual levy of \$9,507,751.88, exclusive of the increase due to new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increases in the value of state-assessed property.

Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney