The Tacoma City Council, at its regular City Council meeting of February 18, 2020, 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. 40553**
A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce County, Department of Assigned Counsel, in the amount of $4,305,291, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the General Fund, to provide legal services for indigent defendants, for an initial contract period of two years.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**Resolution No. 40554**
A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit, consisting of 21 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**Resolution No. 40555**
A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, regarding classifications impacted by the transition plan for the Click! Business Transition Agreement.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**Resolution No. 40556**
A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Water Division Unit, for the accretion of the Water Supply Supervisor classification.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**Resolution No. 40557**
A resolution authorizing the one-time use of $1,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to sponsor the 2020 Attainable Housing and the Future of Prosperity and Inclusion Forum hosted by the University of Washington-Tacoma, School of Urban Studies.
[Council Member Walker]

**Resolution No. 40558**
A resolution authorizing the one-time use of $5,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to support Tacoma’s Sister Cities Council’s mobilization to raise funds for the response to the Covid-19 outbreak in China.
[Council Member McCarthy]
Resolution No. 40559
A resolution expressing the City Council’s intent to commit to a Vision Zero goal to eliminate traffic fatalities and severe injuries in the City by 2035; and directing the City Manager to take actions required to join the Vision Zero Network. [Council Member Beale]
RESOLUTION NO. 40553

A RESOLUTION relating to legal services; authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce County Department of Assigned Counsel, in the amount of $4,305,291, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the General Fund, for the provision of legal services for individuals who otherwise would not be able to afford it, for an initial contract period of two years.

WHEREAS, legal proceedings affect individuals of all income levels, but not all individuals have the ability to pay for legal advice, and the United States and Washington Supreme Courts have found that the provision of legal services is essential for those who may not be able to afford them, and

WHEREAS the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") works with the Pierce County Department of Assigned Counsel ("DAC") to update this contract on a yearly basis, and this contract is very similar to past contracts between the City and DAC, and

WHEREAS, DAC regularly provides data to the OMB to evaluate the performance of this contract, including, but not limited to, caseload per attorney, types of cases handled by DAC, and outcomes, and

WHEREAS this contract ensures that individuals appearing before the Tacoma Municipal Court who cannot afford a lawyer have access to legal advice;

Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the Pierce County Department of Assigned Counsel, in the amount of $4,305,291, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the General Fund,
for the purpose of providing legal services for individuals who otherwise would not
be able to afford it.

Section 2. That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to take
and execute any additional measures or documents that may be necessary to
complete this transaction which are consistent with the approved form of the
documents referenced by this Resolution, and the intent of this Resolution.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 40554

A RESOLUTION related to collective bargaining; authorizing the execution of a one-year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit, effective retroactive to January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020.

WHEREAS the City has, for years, adopted the policy of collective bargaining between the various labor organizations representing employees and the administration, and

WHEREAS this resolution allows for the execution of a one-year Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) between the City and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit (“Union”), on behalf of the employees represented by said Union, and

WHEREAS the bargaining unit consists of approximately 21 budgeted, full-time equivalent (“FTE”) positions, with all FTEs assigned to Tacoma Public Utilities, and

WHEREAS the CBA will provide for a wage increase of three percent, for four classes in the bargaining unit: Network Operations Center Technician (5517); Telecommunications Technician 1 (5518); Sales and Service Representative (5511); and Sales and Service Representative, Lead (5512), retroactive to January 1, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the City and the Union agree that if at any time the number of employees working in the classifications represented by the Union is fewer than two employees, and expected to remain at fewer than two employees, the parties will
mutually petition the Public Employment Relations Commission ("PERC") to
dissolve the bargaining unit, and

WHEREAS the CBA was considered and approved by the Public Utility
Board at its meeting of February 12, 2020, and

WHEREAS it appears in the best interests of the City that the CBA
negotiated by said Union and the City be approved; 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 the
one-year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the International
Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit, effective retroactive to
January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, said document to be substantially in
the form of the agreement on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted ______________________________

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney

Requested by Public Utility Board
Resolution No. U-11140
RESOLUTION NO. 40555

A RESOLUTION relating to collective bargaining; authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement negotiated between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483.

WHEREAS the City has, for years, adopted the policy of collective bargaining between the various labor organizations representing employees and the administration, and

WHEREAS Resolution No. 40554, adopted February 18, 2020, authorized the execution of the one-year Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit (“Union”), on behalf of the employees represented by said Union, and

WHEREAS the City and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483 have negotiated a Letter of Agreement (“LOA”) to the CBA which provides for the following: (1) employees in the classifications of Telecommunications Network Construction Technician (5540); Telecommunications Network Technician (5543); and Telecommunications Utility Worker (5516), on March 31, 2020, will receive a one-time, lump sum payment of $700, and effective April 1, 2020, wages for these classifications will increase 2.25 percent; (2) classifications of Telecommunications Network Construction Technician (5540) and Telecommunications Network Technician (5543) will be consolidated into a single classification of Network Construction Technician (5540), effective April 1, 2020; (3) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit will cease to be the authorized bargaining party.
representative for these classifications, and this responsibility will be moved under the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit, effective upon the date of ratification of this Resolution as well as the certification of the new unit by the Public Employment Relations Commission ("PERC"); and (4) changes to incorporate rules and merge language in Articles 10, 13, 17, and 19 of the agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Unit into the agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit, with the intent to fully incorporate the work rules into a successor Collective Bargaining Agreement, and

WHEREAS the LOA was considered and approved by the Public Utility Board at its meeting of February 12, 2020, and

WHEREAS it appears in the best interest of the City that the LOA negotiated by International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483 and the City be approved; 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 the
Letter of Agreement negotiated between the City of Tacoma and International
Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, said document to be substantially in
the form of the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney

Requested by Public Utility Board
Resolution No. U-11141
RESOLUTION NO. 40556

A RESOLUTION relating to collective bargaining; authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement negotiated between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Water Division Unit.

WHEREAS the City has, for years, adopted the policy of collective bargaining between the various labor organizations representing employees and the administration, and

WHEREAS Resolution No. 40370, adopted July 9, 2019, authorized the execution of the three-year Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Water Division Unit (“Union”), on behalf of the employees represented by said Union, and

WHEREAS the City and Union have negotiated a Letter of Agreement (“LOA”) to the CBA which provides for the accretion of the classification of Water Supply Supervisor into the Union, and establishes a one-step pay rate of $47.80 per hour, effective retroactive to January 1, 2020, with future wage increases to be governed by the CBA between the parties, and

WHEREAS the current incumbent shall receive a wage increase of 3 percent, retroactive to January 1, 2020, and will be eligible for longevity pay, and, after the wage increase has been applied, the incumbent’s wage rate shall be frozen until such time as the established wage for the classification exceeds the frozen rate, and

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WHEREAS the classification of Water Supply Supervisor will be eligible for reimbursement costs for the Water Distribution Manager certification, and
WHEREAS the LOA was considered and approved by the Public Utility Board at its meeting of February 12, 2020, and
WHEREAS it appears in the best interest of the City that the LOA negotiated by said Union and the City be approved; 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 the Letter of Agreement negotiated between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Water Division Unit, said document to be substantially in the form of the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

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Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney

Requested by Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-11139
RESOLUTION NO. 40557

BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS USHKA AND WALKER

A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of $1,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, for the purpose of sponsoring the 2020 Attainable Housing and the Future of Prosperity and Inclusion Forum hosted by the University of Washington-Tacoma, School of Urban Studies.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the University of Washington-Tacoma, School of Urban Studies, is hosting its annual forum on Attainable Housing and the future of prosperity and inclusion in Pierce County, and

WHEREAS the forum will bring experts from around the nation, including housing experts and regional decision-makers, to discuss various housing policies, implementation of those policies, and patterns of success and failure, and

WHEREAS a panel of local policymakers will present their approaches and strategies, while considering the wide array of presentations preceding them, and

WHEREAS the forum, which is open to the public and free to attend, relies on sponsorships as part of its success; current sponsors include the Pierce County Regional Council, Korsmo Construction, bcra, Neil Walter Company, and MultiCare Health System, among others, and

WHEREAS, at the February 4, 2020, Study Session, Council Member Walker shared a Council Consideration Request to authorize the one-time use of $1,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, for the
purpose of supporting the 2020 Attainable Housing Forum, and there was
consensus to move the item forward for City Council consideration, and

WHEREAS the City’s $1,000 sponsorship level will benefit the City by
publicly demonstrating its commitment to open dialogue and free educational
events that focus on the serious policy topic of attainable housing which brings
members of the public, university students, housing experts, and regional leaders
together, and

WHEREAS RCW 35.33.145 and 35.34.250 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 the need for sponsorship of the Attainable Housing Forum
could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time the City
adopted its biennial 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:
That one-time funding in the amount of $1,000, budgeted from the Council
Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of sponsoring the
2020 Attainable Housing Forum hosted by the University of Washington-Tacoma, School of Urban Studies.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 40558

BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS AND COUNCIL MEMBER McCARTHY

A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds in the amount of $5,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, for the purpose of supporting Tacoma’s Sister Cities Council’s mobilization to raise funds for the response to the Covid-19 outbreak in China.

WHEREAS the World Health Organization has declared the outbreak of Covid-19 a global health emergency, an acknowledgement of the risk the virus poses to countries beyond its origin in China and of the need for a more coordinated international response to the outbreak, and

WHEREAS historical accounts of influenza pandemics and contemporary reports on infectious diseases clearly demonstrate that poverty, inequality, and social determinants of health create conditions for the transmission of infectious diseases, and existing health disparities or inequalities can further contribute to unequal burdens of morbidity and mortality, and

WHEREAS, while public health officials in the City and across the United States continue to closely monitor this global health crisis, efforts to prevent and mitigate the spread of this outbreak reduce the likelihood that it will reach Tacoma, which improves health outcomes and reduces disparities in our City, and

WHEREAS, in China, the majority of medical supplies needed to prevent and control the contagion and treat infected patients have been supplied to key epidemic areas, such as the Hubei province, and other provinces are suffering from a shortage of all kinds of emergency resources, including prevention and control supplies, and
WHEREAS the City has grown deep and connected relationships with Mianyang, its Friendship City, and Fuzhou, its Sister City, and

WHEREAS the Tacoma Sister City Council ("TSCC"), whose membership includes a diverse representation of Tacoma-Pierce County residents, has mobilized to provide local community members who wish to help those affected by the Covid-19 outbreak in China with a secure way to contribute funds to this effort, and

WHEREAS the TSCC is acting in direct response to requests received from the Fuzhou and Mianyang governments, for funds to provide necessary medical resources and supplies to Mianyang and Fuzhou to address the sudden and surging demands created by the emergence of Covid-19, and

WHEREAS a liaison in the People’s Republic of China, Consulate General Office, is coordinating timely shipping of the supplies, and

WHEREAS Council Member McCarthy requests to authorize the one-time use of $5,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, for the purpose of supporting TSCC’s efforts to raise funds for the response to the Covid-19 outbreak in China, and

WHEREAS this action will provide vital resources to our partners to mitigate the impacts of this outbreak on our global community, and

WHEREAS RCW 35.33.145 and 35.34.250 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 the need for funding to support Tacoma’s Sister Cities Council’s mobilization to raise funds for the response to the Covid-19 outbreak in China could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time the City adopted its biennial 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:

That one-time funding in the amount of $5,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of supporting Tacoma’s Sister Cities Council’s mobilization to raise funds for the response to the Covid-19 outbreak in China.

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Mayor

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Deputy City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 40559

BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BEALE, HUNTER, AND WALKER

A RESOLUTION expressing the City Council’s intent to commit to a Vision Zero goal to eliminate traffic fatalities and serious injuries in the City of Tacoma by 2035; and directing the City Manager to take the necessary action required to join the Vision Zero Network.

WHEREAS, each year, more than 40,000 people are needlessly killed and thousands more are injured on American streets, and

WHEREAS, between 2014 and 2018, approximately 17,000 collisions were reported on Tacoma’s streets, resulting in an increase in fatal and serious crashes twice as high as the statewide average, with an increase of 11.9 percent; over 400 fatalities and serious injuries; and 187 school-aged bicyclists or pedestrians involved in a collision, and

WHEREAS these types of collisions also have an economic cost to those who are not immediately impacted, since they share responsibility for the increased costs of medical services, legal and court fees, emergency service response, insurance administration, congestion, property damage, and decreased workplace productivity, and

WHEREAS the community can aid in preventing these types of tragedies by taking a proactive, preventative approach that prioritizes traffic safety as a public health issue, and

WHEREAS Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries while increasing safe, healthy, and equitable mobility for all, and
WHEREAS, while everyone is affected by collisions, collisions do not affect everyone equally, and

WHEREAS in Pierce County, 3.4 percent of people killed in traffic crashes were American Indian or Alaskan Native, but these communities make up just 1.2 percent of the population, and

WHEREAS vulnerable users of the City’s transportation infrastructure include, but are not limited to: children, older adults, individuals experiencing homelessness, individuals who rely on streets, bike lanes, and sidewalks for income, individuals with a disability, and individuals who have historically been profiled by law enforcement, and

WHEREAS making roadways safer for vulnerable users is an important part of making the roadways safer for everyone, and

WHEREAS to move toward more just mobility, we must end discrimination based on race, class, legal status, ability, gender identity, sexual orientation, or age in how our travel is regulated and accommodated, including ending racial profiling, and

WHEREAS the Vision Zero Network (“Network”) will recognize communities that take demonstrable and significant action to advance the principles of Vision Zero to ensure safe mobility for all as “Vision Zero communities,” and

WHEREAS the following principles are core to successful Vision Zero efforts:

1. Traffic deaths and severe injuries are acknowledged to be preventable;
2. Human life and health are prioritized within all aspects of transportation systems;

3. Acknowledgement that human error is inevitable, and transportation systems should be forgiving;

4. Safety work should focus on systems-level changes above influencing individual behavior; and

5. Speed is recognized and prioritized as the fundamental factor in crash severity, and

WHEREAS the Network is helping communities across the nation mobilize to address the crisis of traffic deaths and serious injuries in this country, and the City shares the Network’s goal of safe mobility for all, and

WHEREAS, while the City cannot fully control all of the factors which contribute to collisions, such as distraction, impairment, and aggressive driving, and indeed cannot eliminate risk, it can help change some factors which contribute to roadway safety and can take a leadership role to encourage changes which will result in progress to the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries, and

WHEREAS the Transportation Master Plan (“Plan”), an element of the One Tacoma Comprehensive Plan, provides a long-term vision for transportation infrastructure in the City, and

WHEREAS the Plan offers multimodal travel options which provide safe access for all users and neighborhoods, encourage healthy living, and protect the environment, and
WHEREAS, in the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget, the City Council funded an effort to update and amend the Plan for consistency with City initiatives, emerging trends, and transportation development, and, in conjunction with the Plan amendment effort, allocated funds to develop a Vision Zero Action Plan, and

WHEREAS Council Members Beale and Walker sought feedback from numerous stakeholders when developing this Plan, including presentations to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities, Transportation Commission, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Technical Advisory Group; additionally, Council Member Beale shared this information with the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, Puyallup Tribe of Indians’ government relations staff, Pierce Transit, and South End Neighborhood Council; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Council hereby commits to Vision Zero, a collaborative and data-driven effort to eliminate traffic fatalities and serious injuries in the City of Tacoma by 2035.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to work with staff to complete the following actions in support of the Vision Zero goal:

1. Determine roles and responsibilities for the creation, implementation, and evaluation of the Vision Zero Action Plan, including (a) identifying staff to coordinate the creation, implementation, progress, and evaluation of the Vision Zero Action Plan, and to lead in outreach to and engagement of key stakeholders; (b) creating a citizens commission to lead the development of the Vision Zero Action Plan and review annual evaluations of its progress; and (c) creating an
internal City staff work group to engage with when monitoring and adapting City processes to achieve Vision Zero. Key participating departments will include, but not be limited to, Public Works, Tacoma Police Department, Planning and Development Services, the Office of Equity and Human Rights, and the Office of Sustainability.

2. Work with the Transportation Commission and Bicycle and Pedestrian Technical Advisory Group to complete a summary report on the “State of Speed and Safety in Tacoma,” including consideration of the following policy recommendations: (a) reducing City speed limits, including the evaluation of a default speed limit of 25 miles per hour for arterials and 20 miles per hour for residential streets; (b) updating the City’s design manual, including street cross sections, development requirements, and project prioritization criteria, using best engineering practices and recommendations meant to reduce speeds and calm traffic; and (c) updating the City’s design manual to establish more dedicated facilities for walking and biking, including separated sidewalks, and establish protected bike facilities as the default on the City’s major roadways.

3. Identify options for long-term, sustainable sources of funding to support Action Plan priorities, and present those options to the City Council for consideration during the development of the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget.

4. Determine staffing needs for accomplishing the actions outlined in the Vision Zero Action Plan. Staffing needs should be centered on the need for accountability for implementation, monitoring progress, and reporting to the citizen commission and City Council, and is anticipated to include consideration of the
establishment of a Vision Zero coordinator and internal office within the Public Works Department, dedicated to mobility and safety issues. The full cost of funding the program will be shared with City Council for consideration in future budget cycles.

5. Provide annual reports to the Mayor and City Council on the City's progress towards the Vision Zero goal, including a report of all serious injury and fatality-involved collisions. The report should also include analysis for vulnerable populations, including school-aged children and older drivers.

6. Center equity and social justice in all elements of the creation and implementation of the Vision Zero Action Plan, including community engagement in plan development, the prioritization of key strategies, and ongoing evaluation.

7. Coordinate with the Mayor's office to apply for the City to join and become an ongoing member of the Vision Zero Action Network.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney