



Legislation Passed October 24, 2023

The Tacoma City Council, at its regular City Council meeting of October 24, 2023, 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. 41283

A resolution accepting a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance, in the amount of \$358,803, equally split with Pierce County, for external contracts that support community based violence interventions and the City's transformation efforts, retroactive to October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2026; authorizing the City Manager to sign the Certifications; and authorizing the Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction Steering Committee or the Human Services Commission to review these grant applications in the future. [Vicky McLaurin, Interim Assistant Director; Allyson Griffith, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

Resolution No. 41284

A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Wamo Holdings Washington LLC, for the development of 14 multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 604 South Sheridan Avenue. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]



RESOLUTION NO. 41283

1 A RESOLUTION relating to justice programs; authorizing the execution of a
2 grant agreement and any associated term extensions with the Office of
3 Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice, authorizing the City
4 Council to review this application, and accepting the amount of
5 \$358,803, for deposit into the Neighborhood and Community Services
6 Special Revenue Fund, allocating for external contracts that support
7 community based violence interventions and the City's transformation
8 efforts, retroactive to October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2026;
9 authorizing the City Manager to sign the Certifications; and authorizing
10 the Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction Steering Committee or
11 the Human Services Commission to review these grant applications in
12 the future.

13 WHEREAS on September 25, 2023, the City was awarded \$358,803 in
14 grant funding from the Office of Justice Programs at the Department of Justice
15 ("DOJ") 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Juvenile Justice Assistance Grant
16 ("JAG"), and

17 WHEREAS Pierce County and the City jointly applied for these funds,
18 and pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding, will split the grant equally
19 between the two jurisdictions, with the City both acting as the lead agency and
20 having the responsibility of accepting the award and signing the necessary
21 certifications to receive the funds, and

22 WHEREAS the City has accepted the grant in the DOJ's automated
23 system, and this action would authorize the City Manager to execute the
24 Certifications and Assurances which allow for expenditure of the funds, and

25 WHEREAS the City will use its portion of the allocation for external
26 contracts that support community based violence interventions and the City's
transformation efforts and City Council priorities, and



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WHEREAS the City has previously used JAG funding to support the purchase of body worn cameras, and the 2020 DOJ Coronavirus Emergency Supplement Project to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus by purchasing personal protective equipment, and contracting with external providers to address the impacts of isolation, and

WHEREAS as a requirement of the DOJ JAG application, the City has made both the application and the City's response available for the public to review and make comments on the City's website, and

WHEREAS the City Council or designated committee must review this grant application, and

WHEREAS once the award is accepted, Neighborhood and Community Services will provide quarterly updates to the DOJ and the City Council detailing the performance outcomes supported by this funding source, and

WHEREAS, under the grant process guidelines, the City Council must approve acceptance of grant funding, and

WHEREAS this resolution also gives the Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction Executive Steering Committee and/or the Human Service Commission future authority to review DOJ grant applications and make a recommendation to move forward to council to adopt the resolution to accept the awarded funds, and; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Council will review this grant application.



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Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to accept grant funding from the Office of Justice Programs at the Department of Justice (“DOJ”) 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Juvenile Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$358,803, for deposit into the Neighborhood and Community Services Special Revenue Fund, for the purpose of allocation for external contracts that support community based violence interventions and the City’s transformation efforts, retroactive to October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2026.

Section 3. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to sign the Chief Executive Certifications.

Section 4. That the City Council designates the Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction Executive Steering Committee and/or Human Service Commission the authority to review the DOJ grant applications and make a recommendation to move forward to council to adopt the resolution to accept the awarded funds.

Section 5. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement and any associated term extensions with the Office of Justice Programs at the DOJ for the administration of the funding accepted pursuant to Section 1,



1 said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed grant agreement
2 on file in the office of the City Clerk.

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6 Mayor

7 Attest:
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9 City Clerk

10 Approved as to form:
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12 Deputy City Attorney
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RESOLUTION NO. 41284

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the multi-family property tax exemption program;
 2 authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property
 3 Tax Exemption Agreement with Wamo Holdings Washington LLC, for the
 4 development of 14 multi-family market-rate and affordable rental housing
 5 units to be located at 604 South Sheridan Avenue.

6 WHEREAS the City has, pursuant to chapter 84.14 of the Revised Code of
 7 Washington, designated several Residential Target Areas for the allowance of a
 8 limited property tax exemption for new multi-family residential housing, and

9 WHEREAS the City has, through Ordinance No. 25789, enacted a program
 10 whereby property owners in Residential Target Areas may qualify for a Final
 11 Certificate of Tax Exemption which certifies to the Pierce County
 12 Assessor-Treasurer that the owner is eligible to receive a limited property tax
 13 exemption, and

14 WHEREAS Wamo Holdings Washington LLC is proposing to develop 14
 15 new market-rate and affordable rental housing units to consist of:

Number of Units	Type of Unit	Average Size
Market Rate		
8	One bedroom, one bath	423-460 Square Feet
2	Two bedroom, one bath	664 Square Feet
Affordable Rate		
1	Studio	289 Square Feet
2	One bedroom, one bath	423 Square Feet
1	Two bedroom, one bath	664 Square Feet

16 WHEREAS the affordable units will be rented to households whose income
 17 is at or below 70 percent of Pierce County Area Median Income, adjusted for
 18 household size, as determined by the Department of Housing and Urban
 19 Development on an annual basis, and rent will be capped at 30 percent of those
 20 income levels, adjusted annually, and



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WHEREAS the project will also include nine on-site residential parking stalls,

and

WHEREAS the Director of Community and Economic Development has reviewed the proposed property tax exemption and recommends that a conditional property tax exemption be awarded for the property located at 604 South Sheridan Avenue which is in a residential target area, as more particularly described in the attached Exhibit "A"; Now, Therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Council does hereby approve and authorize a conditional property tax exemption, for a period of 12 years, to Wamo Holdings Washington LLC for the property located at 604 South Sheridan Avenue, as more particularly described in the attached Exhibit "A."



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Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are authorized to execute a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Wamo Holdings Washington LLC, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed agreement on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney

Legal description approved:

Chief Surveyor
Public Works Department



EXHIBIT "A"

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Number of Units	Type of Unit	Average Size	Expected Rental Rate
Market Rate			
8	One bedroom, one bath	423-460 Square Feet	\$1,500
2	Two bedroom, one bath	664 Square Feet	\$1,800
Affordable Rate			
1	Studio	289 Square Feet	\$1,379 (including utility allowance)
2	One bedroom, one bath	423 Square Feet	\$1,576 (including utility allowance)
1	Two bedroom, one bath	664 Square Feet	\$1,773 (including utility allowance)

The affordable units will be rented to households whose income is at or below 70 percent of Pierce County Area Median Income, adjusted for household size, as determined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development on an annual basis. Rent will be capped at 30 percent of those income levels, adjusted annually. The project will also include nine on-site residential parking stalls.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Tax Parcel: 2006280030

Legal Description:

LOT 3 AND THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 4, BLOCK 628 OF CENTRAL ADDITION TO TACOMA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 74, RECORDS OF PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON;

AND

THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 3 AND THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 4, BLOCK 628 OF THE AINSWORTH ADDITION TO TACOMA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 48, RECORDS OF PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

ALL SITUATE IN THE CITY OF TACOMA, COUNTY OF PIERCE, STATE OF WASHINGTON.