

Legislation Passed October 8, 2024

The Tacoma City Council, at its regular City Council meeting of October 8, 2024, 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. 41535

A resolution conferring honorary street names in the Puyallup Tribe of Indians' native Twulshootseed language for 28 public roadways, comprising 62 intersections, and resulting in approximately 174 honorary signs to be installed within the 1873 Survey Area of the Puyallup Reservation.

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RESOLUTION NO. 41535

BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS SADALGE AND WALKER

A RESOLUTION relating to place names and name changes; conferring honorary street names in the Puyallup Tribe of Indians' native Twulshootseed language for 28 public roadways, comprising 62 intersections, and resulting in approximately 174 honorary signs to be installed within the 1873 Survey Area of the Puyallup Reservation.

WHEREAS in accordance with Resolution No. 41009, which adopted the amendments to the City's Policy on Place Names and Name Changes ("Policy"), honorary street naming requests are reviewed and vetted at several levels: the Mayor's Office, individual departments/divisions, and the City Council's Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee ("IPS"), and the final review and decision to approve naming requests lies with the City Council, and

WHEREAS City staff reviewed the naming proposal in accordance with the City's adopted Policy and presented the findings to the IPS, and on September 11, 2024, the IPS unanimously approved forwarding the proposal to the full City Council for consideration, and

WHEREAS if the proposed resolution is adopted, approximately 174 honorary signs, which would display varying names in the Twulshootseed language (along with standardized tribal pictograph) along with translated meanings pertinent to the heritage of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians ("Puyallup Tribe"), will be coordinated with the City and contracted forces to be fabricated and installed at approximately 62 intersections within the 1873 Survey Area of the Puyallup Reservation within Eastern Tacoma, and



WHEREAS the existing and official street names of the roadways and intersections involved will remain in effect, with the honorary naming/signs being informational, but they will also be an important way for the Puyallup Tribe to convey their oral history to tribal community areas and the Eastside of Tacoma, and

WHEREAS in the interest of expediting realization of this proposal if approved by the City Council, the City and the Puyallup Tribe established a Memorandum of Understanding in March of 2024 which includes terms such as: the City agrees to complete the project either (a) by using its own personnel, (b) by contracting for performance of the work, or (c) through a combination of both, and that the Puyallup Tribe agrees to pay/reimburse the City for the full cost of completing the project, and

WHEREAS if the proposed resolution is adopted, the honorary street names will be in effect for 15 years, and

WHEREAS the City, in written partnership with the Puyallup Tribe, will facilitate the fabrication and installation of the signs, and then maintain the honorary signs during the 15-year period, and at the end of the 15-year period, the signs will be at the end of their expected useful life and will likely need replacement, and

WHEREAS per Resolution No. 41009, if the applicant desires the name to remain in place after the 15-year period, the City will reconvene the staff



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workgroup to evaluate the proposal, and if approved, the applicant will be responsible for the costs to install any replacement signs; Now, Therefore,

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

That the Council of the City of Tacoma hereby confers honorary street names in the Puyallup Tribe of Indians' native Twulshootseed language for 28 public roadways, comprising 62 intersections, and resulting in approximately 174 honorary signs to be installed within the 1873 Survey Area of the Puyallup Reservation, to remain in effect for 15 years.

Adopted		
Attest:	Mayor	
City Clerk		
Approved as to form:		
Deputy City Attorney		