



Legislation Passed October 15, 2024

The Tacoma City Council, at its regular City Council meeting of October 15, 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. 41536

A resolution setting Tuesday, October 29, and Tuesday, November 19, 2024, upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the dates for the first and second public hearings by the City Council on the proposed 2025-2026 Biennial Operating Budget, 2025-2026 Capital Budget, and the 2025-2030 Capital Facilities Program.

[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

Resolution No. 41537

A resolution setting Tuesday, October 29, 2024, upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed Ad Valorem and Emergency Medical Services tax levies for 2025.

[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

Resolution No. 41538

A resolution appointing individuals to the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries.

[Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

Amended Resolution No. 41539

A resolution authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$35,000, for a Pride-themed decorative crosswalk on Broadway in Downtown Tacoma.

[Council Member Diaz]



RESOLUTION NO. 41536

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the Biennial Budget; setting Tuesday, October 29,
2 and Tuesday, November 19, 2024, upon completion of Regular Agenda
3 Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the dates for the first and second public
4 hearings by the City Council on the proposed 2025-2026 Biennial
5 Operating Budget, 2025-2026 Capital Budget, and the 2025-2030 Capital
6 Facilities Program.

7 WHEREAS RCW 35.34.100 provides that, following the filing of the
8 preliminary budget with the City Clerk, the Clerk shall publish a notice once a week,
9 for two consecutive weeks, stating that the preliminary budget for the ensuing fiscal
10 biennium has been filed with the Clerk; designating the date, time, and place of the
11 legislative budget meeting; and that any taxpayer may appear and be heard for or
12 against the budget, and

13 WHEREAS RCW 35.34.110 provides that a city's legislative body shall meet
14 on or before the first Monday of the month next preceding the beginning of the
15 ensuing fiscal biennium for the purpose of fixing the final budget of the city at the
16 time and place designated in the notice thereof, and

17 WHEREAS, additionally, proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan
18 are considered annually by the Planning Commission and City Council, and, with
19 few exceptions, RCW 36.70A.130(2)(a) requires that all proposed Plan amendments
20 be reviewed concurrently and no more frequently than once per year, and

21 WHEREAS state law provides an exception for an amendment to the Capital
22 Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan, which may be adopted separately
23 from other amendments to the Comprehensive Plan if adoption occurs concurrently
24 with the adoption or amendment of the City's budget; Now, Therefore,
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the budget hearings prescribed pursuant to RCW 35.34.100, 35.34.110, and 36.70A.130(2)(a) for the purpose of considering the proposed 2025-2026 Biennial Operating Budget, the 2025-2026 Capital Budget, and the proposed 2025-2030 Capital Facilities Program, shall commence on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, and Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at approximately 5:15 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the same may be heard, in the City Council Chambers, First Floor, Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington, and may be offered in a hybrid format that includes a remote option.

Section 2. That the City Clerk shall give proper notice of the time and place of said hearings.

Adopted _____

Mayor

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



RESOLUTION NO. 41537

1 A RESOLUTION relating to revenue sources; setting Tuesday, October 29, 2024,
2 upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the
3 date for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed Ad Valorem and
4 Emergency Medical Services tax levies for 2025.

5 WHEREAS RCW 84.55.120 requires that a taxing district, other than the
6 state, that collects regular levies shall hold a public hearing on revenue sources for
7 the district's following year's current expenses budget, and

8 WHEREAS the hearing must include consideration of possible increases in
9 property tax revenues and shall be held prior to the time the taxing district levies the
10 taxes or makes the request to have the taxes levied; Now, Therefore,

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

12 Section 1. That the hearing required by RCW 84.55.120, for the purpose of
13 setting the proposed Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") tax levy for 2025 and
14 the proposed Ad Valorem tax levy for 2025, shall commence on Tuesday,
15 October 29, 2024, at approximately 5:15 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, First
16 Floor, Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington, and
17 may be offered in a hybrid format that includes a remote option.
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Section 2. That the Clerk of the City of Tacoma shall give proper notice of

the time and place of said hearing.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



RESOLUTION NO. 41538

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS

2 A RESOLUTION relating to committees, boards, and commissions; appointing
3 individuals to the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries.

4 WHEREAS the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries (“Commission”)
5 must comply with Section 2.3 of the Tacoma City Charter, and

6 WHEREAS the Commission shall consist of seven members appointed as
7 follows: five members, one from each City Council district, selected by lot by the
8 Pierce County Auditor from registered City of Tacoma voters eligible to vote at
9 the time of selection; and two members who are residents of the City of Tacoma,
10 to be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, one with
11 experience in human resource management and the other with experience in the
12 legal profession, and
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14 WHEREAS there are two vacancies to be filled on the Commission, and

15 WHEREAS, pursuant to City Charter Section 2.3, the Mayor has nominated
16 Greg Amann to serve on the Commission for the position with legal profession
17 experience, for a term expiring on September 30, 2027, and the Pierce County
18 Auditor has selected by lottery, Jessica Wyrick, for the District No. 5 position, for a
19 term expiring on September 30, 2027; Now, Therefore,
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That Greg Amann is hereby confirmed and appointed as a member of the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries, for the position with legal profession experience, for a term expiring on September 30, 2027, and that Jessica Wyrick is hereby confirmed and appointed for the District No. 5 position, for a term expiring on September 30, 2027.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney



RESOLUTION NO. 41539

1 BY REQUEST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS DIAZ AND WALKER

2 A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds in the amount of \$35,000,
3 budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, for a pride-themed decorative
4 crosswalk on Broadway in Downtown Tacoma.

5 WHEREAS decorative crosswalks are marked pedestrian crossings across a
6 roadway that include a colored and/or textured pattern, aesthetic, or artistic mural
7 element within its horizontal white stripe boundaries, and can also be referred to as
8 art crossings or creative sidewalks, and

9 WHEREAS a rainbow crossing or rainbow crosswalk is a pedestrian crossing
10 that has the art of the rainbow flag installed to celebrate the lesbian, gay, bisexual,
11 transgender, questioning, intersex, asexual, and two spirit (“LGBTQIA2S+”)
12 community, and

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14 WHEREAS following international temporary and early permanent
15 installations in 2012 and 2013, the symbolism of rainbow crossings has gained
16 widespread recognition as a symbol of community commitment to supporting the
17 rights of LGBTQIA2S+ individuals, and

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19 WHEREAS cities around the world have installed permanent pride-themed
20 decorative crosswalks, including Seattle, Kirkland, Spokane, and other Washington
21 State cities, and

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23 WHEREAS the crosswalks, created because of city-community partnerships
24 primarily for aesthetic enhancement, may also be implemented to emphasize and
25 alert roadway users of the designated pedestrian crossing, and

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WHEREAS the City has explored the use of temporary decorative crosswalks, and in 2017, the City permitted a Downtown on the Go (“DOTG”) outreach project, with DOTG adding temporary paint to all existing crosswalks at the intersections on South 9th Street and South 17th Street to highlight the crossing and to draw attention to pedestrian safety along Martin Luther King Jr. Way, and

WHEREAS from 2018 to 2023, temporary rainbow crosswalks were painted in Downtown Tacoma in coordination with the City’s Pride Festival, and

WHEREAS the City Council has the discretion to direct the installation of decorative crosswalks in the City, and this individual request was assessed and determined in consultation with the City Manager’s Office and the Public Works Department (“PW”), and

WHEREAS this resolution will provide resources to install one pride-themed decorative crosswalk between South 9th Street and South 11th Street on Broadway in Downtown Tacoma, and

WHEREAS the crosswalk design will take into consideration inclusive pride flag designs such as the Progress Pride Flag, with flexibility to adjust the design to allow for differing site conditions, and

WHEREAS the LGBTQIA2S+ communities are an integral and vibrant part of Tacoma’s economic, artistic, and social environments, and this Pride-themed decorative crosswalk uses art and public infrastructure to demonstrate the City’s commitment, and



1 WHEREAS the selected location is in the heart of downtown Tacoma, next to
2 schools, theaters, art, transit centers, public green space, and is where the
3 Downtown Farmers Market is located each summer and this installation will create
4 a welcoming and celebratory space that invites residents, workers, and tourists to
5 visit downtown, and
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7 WHEREAS The Tacoma Public Works Department will implement the
8 crosswalk through standard processes, and
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10 WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the
11 Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of
12 which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of
13 adopting the budget, and
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15 WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less
16 than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now,
17 Therefore,

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

19 Section 1. That the foregoing Recitals are hereby adopted as the Council's
20 legislative findings.

21 Section 2. That one-time funding in the amount of \$35,000, budgeted from
22 the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for a pride-themed decorative
23 crosswalk on Broadway in Downtown Tacoma, with a target of installing by June
24 2025, prior to Tacoma's Pride Month in July 2025.
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Section 3. That consistent with the terms of this Resolution, the City’s administration will proceed with the design and installation of a pride-themed decorative crosswalk between South 9th Street and South 11th Street on Broadway in Downtown Tacoma.

4. That the City Council further desires to study the feasibility of a citywide program to install decorative crosswalks in other locations in the City including outreach to Tacoma’s diverse communities regarding themes, designs, and locations, and hereby refers initiation of that study to the City Council’s Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney