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Sent: Friday, February 28, 2025 3:16 PM
To: City Clerk's Office; Woodards, Victoria; Daniels, Kiara; Bushnell, Joe; Diaz, Olgy; Scott, Jamika; Rumbaugh, Sarah; Hines, John; Sadalge, Sandesh; Walker, Kristina
Cc: Pauli, Elizabeth
Subject: TPCC Support Ordinance 29025 and Prop 1
Attachments: Ordinance 29025 and Roads Letter of Support.pdf

Hello Honorable Mayor, Tacoma City Councilmembers and City Clerk,

Attached please find the Chamber's letter of support for Ordinance 29025 as it relates to Prop 1 and our contingent support of Prop 1 relative to the ordinance.

I want to thank the Mayor, the team at the City and all for both sharing information related to the initiative and the willingness to come together in collaboration and partnership.

Thank you.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or I can provide further context. Either myself, or Kierra Phifer, our Board Chair, will also be in attendance on Tuesday to offer public comment, in addition to this written public comment.

Best,
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Tacoma City Council
City of Tacoma
747 Market St
Tacoma, WA 98402

RE: Support Ordinance 29025 and Prop 1

Dear Mayor Woodards and City of Tacoma Councilmembers,

Transportation infrastructure is critical to our region's trade driven base. We know that the movement of people, goods, and services makes our region thrive. As we look forward to new transportation revenue and spending packages, we must continue to advocate for sound policy and accountable investment strategies.

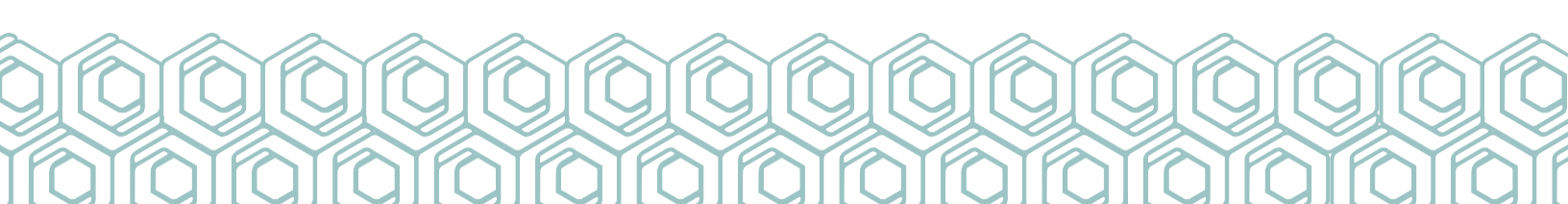
Thank you for your collaboration and partnership in addressing specific concerns the business community had with Streets Initiative II (Prop 1) and your willingness to remedy those concerns through the ordinance process. We are here to offer our endorsement to Prop 1 contingent on passing Ordinance 29025 and our support of the ordinance.

We are so grateful for the process and our ability to collaborate and co-create a mechanism that establishes expenditure targets and reporting as well as create public review and evaluation of progress towards our targets and priorities with comprehensive planning requirements.

When we collaborate, we create better solutions that will not only improve our roads, but also improve voters and businesses faith in government. We look forward to continuing to work with council and staff to solve some of Tacoma's most challenging problems, whether they are potholes or accessible housing, public safety, education/workforce development, equitable economic development-you name it. We are here to solution find and tackle our toughest challenges-together. Because we truly are stronger together.

Thank you.


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From: Cathie Raine <cjrdd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 3, 2025 1:01 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: City Council Meeting (March 4th, 2025)

These statements are being submitted for the 'Public Comments' section of the March 5th, 2025 City Council meeting (regarding Ordinance No. 29024)

Dear Mayor Woodards, Deputy Mayor Daniels and Council Members,

I am writing to urge all of you to 'postpone' discussion, consideration and a vote on Ordinance 29024 ("Authorizing the execution of two wholesale water supply agreements with Cascade Water Alliance...") until AFTER the 'South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District' code updates are formally reviewed and approved by the City Council..now slated to occur in several months.

This 'Water Supply Agreement' with Cascade Water Alliance DOES include the 'groundwater' source of water supply from the South Tacoma aquifer/recharge area. This agreement is not dependent only on the Green River source of water supply. The South Tacoma groundwater situation has also been factored into the overall 'available' water supply. While the IRP report (2024) does suggest that Tacoma/TPU is able to project adequate water supplies capacity in the future, we still need to have a final STGPD studies/report completed prior to setting up this 'Water Supply Contract' with Cascade Water Alliance.

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This entire STGPD code updates include more than the 2024 IRP Report alone. Other areas with this STGPD code update are to be studied, reviewed and approved yet as part of these STGPD Updates.

It is both premature..and, risky to move forward now to approve this 'water supply agreement' when you do not have all the pertinent information and data available to make an educated decision. Please put this decision on hold until later 2025.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you

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From: Esther Day <Dayesther214@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, March 3, 2025 2:19 PM
To: Woodards, Victoria; Bushnell, Joe; Rumbaugh, Sarah; Diaz, Olgy; Sadalge, Sandesh; Walker, Kristina; Hines, John; Daniels, Kiara; Daniels, Kiara
Cc: Pauli, Elizabeth; City Clerk's Office
Subject: Cascade Water Alliance agreement and our precious STGWPD

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Remember ONE VERY IMPORTANT THING – OUR ENTIRE STATE IS IN DROUGHT. YOU WILL BE COMPROMISING OUR WATER RESOURCES FOR THE PEOPLE YOU REPRESENT. WAIT.

Thank you.

Esther Day