



RESOLUTION 2025-09-24 (7)

Date: September 24, 2025

To: THA Board of Commissioners

From: April Black
Executive Director

Re: One City Initiative – Establishing Fridays as “Tacoma – One City Day”

This resolution would formalize Tacoma Housing Authority’s participation in the City of Tacoma’s “One City” campaign.

BACKGROUND

The City of Tacoma is launching a positive innovative initiative called “One City”. This initiative’s vision is to unify all Tacoma neighborhoods and communities around a shared identity of pride, connection, and purpose. It is important that cities have a common positive spirit to build unity, resilience, and a shared sense of purpose among its community members. When people feel connected through a hopeful and collaborative mindset, they are more likely to support one another and come together to solve problems. A common positive spirit fosters trust, reduces division, and encourages innovation and pride in the community.

Tacoma Housing Authority would like to participate in this campaign. Participation aligns with our strategic priority to serve as a good community partner. Participation includes weekly spirit display, a One City flag initiative, and social media promotion.

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend the Board of Commissioners approve Resolution 2025-09-24 (7), One City Initiative – Establishing Fridays as “Tacoma – One City Day”.



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(One City Initiative – Establishing Fridays as “Tacoma – One City Day”)

A **RESOLUTION** of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma

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WHEREAS, celebrating our differences while honoring the values and aspiration that unite us strengthens the social fabric of our city and promotes emotional well-being in our neighborhoods, schools, businesses, and broader community; and

WHEREAS, Tacoma thrives when its people are connected through shared symbols, civic pride, and opportunities to support one another across boundaries of school, neighborhood, and background; and

WHEREAS, the “One City” approach affirms our belief that together, we can grow, learn, and prosper in a safe and healthy Tacoma—one where every person has value, every voice matters, and every community is uplifted; now, therefore, be it

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Be it finally resolved, that the Tacoma Housing Authority affirms this initiative as a ten-year cultural commitment, recognizing that true community transformation takes time, and that our collective pride and unity are essential to ensuring every Tacoman in every neighborhood can succeed.

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Stanley Rumbaugh, Chair