



RESOLUTION 2025-11-05 (6)

Date: November 5, 2025

To: THA Board of Commissioners

From: April Black
Executive Director

Re: One-Year Authorization for the Executive Director to Enter into Litigation

This resolution would authorize the Tacoma Housing Authority's (THA's) Executive Director to enter into litigation as deemed necessary and desirable, based upon the recommendation of the Senior General Counsel, for the period of one year.

BACKGROUND

THA is a public body corporate and politic of the State of Washington with authority granted to it under chapter 35.82 RCW. As such, THA is expressly authorized to "sue and be sued" and to "make and execute contracts and other instruments ... necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the authority" pursuant to RCW 35.82.070(1). It is also authorized "to do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure the financial aid or cooperation of the federal government in the undertaking, construction, maintenance or operation of any housing project by such authority" via RCW 35.82.200(1).

THA as a public body, and based upon the recommendation of the Senior General Counsel, may identify opportunities for litigation now and in the future.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution 2025-11-05 (6) to authorize the Executive Director to enter into litigation as deemed necessary and desirable, based upon the recommendation of the Senior General Counsel, for a one-year period.



RESOLUTION 2025-11-05 (6)

(One-Year Authorization for the Executive Director to Enter into Litigation)

A **RESOLUTION** of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma (THA).

WHEREAS, THA is a public body corporate and politic of the State of Washington with authority granted to it under chapter 35.82 RCW; and

WHEREAS, housing authorities organized under the laws of the State of Washington are expressly authorized to “sue and be sued” and to “make and execute contracts and other instruments ... necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the authority” pursuant to RCW 35.82.070(1); and

WHEREAS, housing authorities organized under the laws of the State of Washington are authorized “to do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure the financial aid or cooperation of the federal government in the undertaking, construction, maintenance or operation of any housing project by such authority” via RCW 35.82.200(1); and

WHEREAS, THA as a public body, and based upon the recommendation of the Senior General Counsel, may identify opportunities for litigation now and in the future; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma, Washington that:

THA’s Executive Director is hereby authorized for the period of one year to enter into litigation as deemed necessary and desirable, based upon the recommendation of the Senior General Counsel.

Approved: November 5, 2025


Stanley Rumbaugh, Chair