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A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, relating to the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District; approving an amendment to Article VI, Section 2, of the Charter of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District to eliminate, in relevant part, Article VI, Limits on District Powers.

WHEREAS, the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District ("PFD") was formed by participating jurisdictions to facilitate the construction and operations of the Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center ("GTCTC"), and

WHEREAS, the governance of the PFD is subject to a Charter approved by the legislative bodies of the participating jurisdictions, and

WHEREAS, the PFD has authority, for a period of 20 years from the date of establishment of the GTCTC, to collect a .033 percent sales and use tax to be used toward payment of long-term debt of the GTCTC, which rebate will expire in 2019, and

WHEREAS, the Association of Washington State Public Facilities Districts ("Association") is a voluntary association formed in 2011 to support and enhance the exchange of information, delivery of services, and other matters that serve the interest of its member Public Facility Districts, including the PFD, and

WHEREAS, one of the goals of the Association is to work toward extending the .033 percent sales and use tax beyond the current 20-year timeframe, and

WHEREAS, the PFD Charter precludes any activities which might attempt to influence legislation, and must be amended in order for the PFD to fully participate in the initiatives of the Association, and

WHEREAS, the PFD Board of Directors ("Board") recommends that each participating jurisdiction, to include the cities of Tacoma, University Place, Fife, and Lakewood; and Pierce County, approve legislation authorizing the elimination of Article VI, Section 2, of the Charter, which states:

No part of the activities of the District shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation;

WHEREAS, eliminating this section would enable the PFD to actively participate with the Association and more effectively advocate on behalf of the GTCTC.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON HEREBY RESOLVES, as Follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby approves an amendment to the Charter of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District to eliminate in relevant part, Article VI, Section 2, entitled Limits on District Powers, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and signatures hereon.

PASSED by the City Council this 4th day of August, 2014.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

Don Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

Alice M. Bush, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Heidi Wachter, City Attorney