

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON,
APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA AND
CITIES OF LACEY, TUMWATER, AND YELM AND THURSTON COUNTY FOR
IMPLEMENTING A REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, RCW 39.34.010 permits local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, population, and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 39.34.080, each party is authorized to contract with any one or more other public agencies to perform any governmental service, activity, or undertaking which each public agency entering into the contract is authorized by law to perform: provided, that such contract must be authorized by the governing body of each party to the contract and must set forth its purposes, powers, rights, objectives, and responsibilities of the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, Thurston County and the cities of Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Yelm have separate coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit, which requires permittees to provide stormwater education and outreach programs designed to achieve measurable reductions in behaviors that cause or contribute to diverse stormwater impacts; and

WHEREAS, coordination among permittees with adjoining or shared geographic areas is encouraged by Ecology and enhances access to federal, state, and other financial and technical support; and

WHEREAS, municipal resources efficiency is increased, and cost savings are realized, through sharing expertise, expenses, and staff time to gain economies of scale and avoid duplication; and

WHEREAS, Thurston County and the cities of Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Yelm want to work together under this partnership to coordinate joint development and implementation of stormwater education and outreach programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the form of Interlocal Agreement between the City of Olympia and the cities of Lacey, Tumwater, and Yelm and Thurston County for Implementing a Regional Environmental Education Program and the terms and conditions contained in that Interlocal Agreement.

2. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the Interlocal Agreement, and any other documents necessary to execute said Agreement, and to make any amendments or minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Agreement, and to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2026.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael M. Young

SENIOR DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY