

RESOLUTION NO. 1261

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, WASHINGTON, authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement for the Joint Establishment of a Tourism Promotion Area, and certain matters related thereto.

WHEREAS, the City of Tukwila, Washington ("Tukwila") currently administers Seattle Southside Visitors Services ("SSVS"), a tourism promotion program funded by lodging taxes imposed and collected within Tukwila, SeaTac, and Des Moines, and remitted to SSVS in exchange for tourism promotion services, and

WHEREAS, the tourism industry is a vital and substantial component of the region's economy and tourism promotion increases the number of visitors to the region which in turn increases regional sales supporting the local economy, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Washington has recognized the importance of tourism promotion in the State of Washington and in 2003 passed Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6026, codified as chapter 35.101 RCW (the "TPA Act"), authorizing counties with a population greater than forty thousand but less than one million, and any city or town within such a county, to establish a tourism promotion area for the purpose of imposing special assessments on the furnishing of lodging to be expended exclusively on tourism promotion, and,

WHEREAS, in 2009 the Legislature amended the TPA Act to allow two or more cities located in a county with a population of one million or more acting jointly under chapter 39.34 RCW (the "Interlocal Cooperation Act") to form a tourism promotion area for such purpose, and

WHEREAS, to form a tourism promotion area an initiation petition satisfying the terms of the TPA Act must first be presented to the legislative authority having jurisdiction of the area in which the proposed tourism promotion area is to be located and a public hearing must be held after providing proper notice, and

WHEREAS, the promotion of the region to increase tourism will also provide economic benefit to retail, restaurant, entertainment and cultural industries that are closely connected

to the hotel industry and critical to the health of the local economy, and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to enter into the Interlocal Agreement for Joint Establishment of a Tourism Promotion Area, by and among the City, Tukwila, and SeaTac the purpose of appointing a legislative authority to receive the initiation petition and otherwise carry out the terms of the TPA Act in order to help facilitate the formation and operation of the Seattle Southside TPA as set forth therein; now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 1. Approval of Interlocal Agreement for the Joint Establishment of a Tourism Promotion Area. The City Council hereby approves the Interlocal Agreement for the Joint Establishment of a Tourism Promotion Area, by and among the City Tukwila and City of SeaTac, substantially in the form as attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Interlocal Agreement"). The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Interlocal Agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto with only those modification as shall have been approved by him and legal counsel to the City. The City Manager and other appropriate officers of the City are authorized and directed to take any and all such additional actions as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the terms of the Interlocal Agreement and the formation of the Seattle Southside TPA.

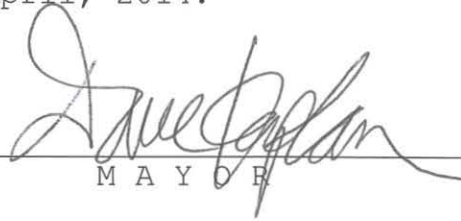
Sec. 2. Appointment of Legislative Authority. The City Council hereby appoints the City of SeaTac as the Legislative

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Authority of the Seattle Southside TPA for purposes of the Interlocal Agreement and the TPA Act.

ADOPTED BY the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Washington this 24th day of April, 2014 and signed in authentication thereof this 24th day of April, 2014.


MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Assistant City Attorney

ATTEST:


City Clerk