

RESOLUTION NO. R2026-006

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Tumwater, Washington, expressing support for the city's opportunity zone application to the Washington State Department of Commerce.

WHEREAS, the City of Tumwater is committed to fostering sustainable economic development, expanding employment opportunities, and encouraging private investment that supports long-term community vitality and resilience; and

WHEREAS, the federal Opportunity Zone program, established under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, is intended to stimulate economic growth and investment in designated areas through tax incentives for qualifying investments; and

WHEREAS, areas within the City of Tumwater have been designated as potential Opportunity Zones and present opportunities for redevelopment, infrastructure investment, business expansion, housing development, and job creation consistent with the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan and economic development objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Commerce serves as the state's lead agency for economic development, community revitalization, and coordination of programs that support local governments in advancing equitable growth and investment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tumwater has prepared and submitted an Opportunity Zone application to the Washington State Department of Commerce seeking participation, support, and coordination under the Opportunity Zone program; and

WHEREAS, the Tumwater City Council recognizes that strategic use of Opportunity Zone tools can complement local planning efforts, leverage private and public investment, and advance community and economic development goals consistent with state and regional priorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUMWATER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Support for Opportunity Zone Application

The Tumwater City Council hereby expresses its formal support for the City's Opportunity Zone application submitted to the Washington State Department of Commerce and affirms that the application is consistent with the City's adopted plans, policies, and economic development objectives.

Section 2. Ratification. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this Resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 3. Severability. The provisions of this Resolution are declared separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or portion of this Resolution or the invalidity of the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Resolution, or the validity of its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption and signature as provided by law.

RESOLVED this 21st day of April, 2026.

CITY OF TUMWATER

Leatta Dahlhoff, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melody Valiant, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Karen Kirkpatrick, City Attorney