

ORDINANCE NO. 325

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, EXTENDING ITS UTILITY FRANCHISES WITH PUGET SOUND ENERGY (FORMERLY WASHINGTON NATURAL GAS COMPANY); AND AT&T BROADBAND AND INTERNET SERVICE (FORMERLY KNOWN AS TCI COMMUNICATIONS, INC; TCI OF WASHINGTON; AND AS CABLEVISION) THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2002**

WHEREAS, the City Council previously passed Ordinance No. 116, granting utility franchises for five years from the date of incorporation to Washington Natural Gas Company (now Puget Sound Energy), TCI Communications, Inc. (now AT&T Broadband and Internet Service), as well as other utility providers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council by Ordinance No. 287 extended the utility franchises for Puget Sound Energy and for AT&T Broadband and Internet Service until December 31, 2000; and by Ordinance No. 294 extended these franchises through June 30, 2001; and by Ordinance No. 316 extended the franchises through October 31, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the City requires additional time to complete negotiations with Puget Sound Energy and with AT&T Broadband and Internet Service; and

WHEREAS, an extension through February 28, 2002, would accommodate the ongoing negotiations, NOW THEREFORE,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

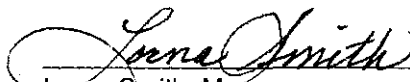
Section 1. Extending the Natural Gas Franchise with Puget Sound Energy. The existing City of University Place franchise with Puget Sound Energy (formerly known as Washington Natural Gas Company) is hereby extended to 11:59 p.m. February 28, 2002.

Section 2. Extending the Cable Franchise with AT&T Broadband and Internet Service. The existing City of University Place franchise with AT&T Broadband and Internet Service (formerly known as TCI Communications, Inc.; TCI of Washington; and Cablevision) is hereby extended to 11:59 p.m. February 28, 2002.

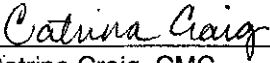
Section 3. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not be affected.

Section 4. Effective Date and Publication. A summary of this Ordinance consisting of its title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City. This Ordinance shall be in effect five (5) days after publication.

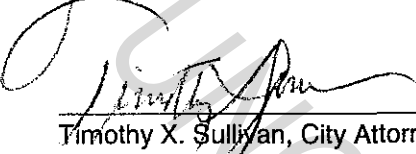
**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 15th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001.**

  
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Lorna Smith, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Catrina Craig, CMC  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Timothy X. Sullivan, City Attorney

**Publication Date:** 10/18/01  
**Effective Date:** 10/23/01

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