

ORDINANCE NO. 294

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); THE CITY OF FIRCREST ELECTRIC, WATER AND SANITARY SEWER UTILITIES; AND AT&T BROADBAND AND INTERNET SERVICE (FORMERLY KNOWN AS TCI COMMUNICATIONS, INC; TCI OF WASHINGTON; AND AS CABLEVISION) THROUGH JUNE 30, 2001

WHEREAS, the City Council previously passed Ordinance No. 116, granting utility franchises for five years from the date of incorporation to Lakewood Refuse, Inc.; the City of Tacoma Department of Public Utilities Light and Water Divisions; the Day Island Club; the City of Fircrest Electric, Water and Sanitary Sewer Utilities; Washington Natural Gas Company; and TCI Communications, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the City Council by Ordinance No. 287 extended the utility franchises for Puget Sound Energy, for the City of Fircrest Electric, Water and Sanitary Sewer Utilities, and for AT&T Broadband and Internet Service until December 31, 2000; and

WHEREAS, negotiations are continuing between the City of University Place and Puget Sound Energy, the City of Fircrest and AT&T to obtain the best result at the best possible price for the citizens of University Place with respect to telecommunications and other utility services; and

WHEREAS, a further brief extension through June 30, 2001, of the franchises which have not yet been negotiated will aid staff in accomplishing successful 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. June 30, 2001.

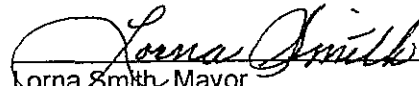
Section 2. Extending the Electric, Water and Sanitary Sewer Utilities Franchise with the City of Fircrest. The existing City of University Place franchise with the City of Fircrest for water, electric and sanitary sewer services is hereby extended to 11:59 p.m. June 30, 2001.

Section 3. 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. June 30, 2001.

Section 4. 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 5. 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.

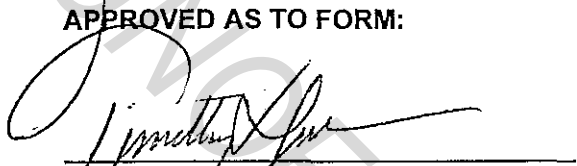
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 4th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000.


Lorna Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan Matthew, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Timothy X. Sullivan, City Attorney

Publication Date: 12-7-00
Effective Date: 12-12-00