ORDINANCE NO. 122

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 82 ESTABLISHING A UTILITY TAX REFUND FOR SENIORS OR DISABLED PERSONS, TO SET LOW INCOME CRITERIA AT FIFTY PERCENT OF MEDIAN INCOME, AND TO AMEND REFUND AMOUNTS TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL TEN DOLLAR REFUND FOR GAS UTILITY CUSTOMERS

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 78 established a utility tax; and

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 82 established a utility tax refund for seniors or disabled persons who meet low income criteria and procedures for the implementation thereof; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to amend Ordinance No. 82, amending the "low income criteria" from thirty to fifty percent of median income; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to amend Ordinance No. 82, adding an additional annual refund of ten dollars (\$10.00) for seniors or disabled persons who meet the "low income" criteria and are gas utility customers; now therefore:

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

- Section 1. Amending Section 1.A. of Ordinance No. 82 is hereby amended as follows:
 - A. Low income means a household earning less than thirty fifty percent of median income as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as verified by Pierce County Department of Social Services through the Community Development Block Grant regulations, as amended annually.
- Section 2. <u>Amending Section 3. of Ordinance No. 82.</u> Section 3. of Ordinance No. 82 is hereby amended as follows:
- Section 3. Refund Amounts: All eligible households will be entitled to an annual refund of ten dollars, with an additional ten dollars refunded for gas utility customers.
- **Section 3. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect five days after its publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 4, 1996

ATTEST:

Susan Matthew, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Date of Publication:

Effective Date:

City Attorney