

## ORDINANCE NO. 97

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDERS TO PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL CONTRACT AWARD FOR A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT OR FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, WHICHEVER AMOUNT IS LESS.

WHEREAS, RCW 39.04 requires the City to solicit bids from qualified contractors for certain public works construction projects within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to expedite project completion and minimize the exposure of the City to liquidated damage claims when change orders are required in a construction project due to unforeseen circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to authorize the City Manager to approve public works construction change orders in an amount not to exceed ten percent of the total contract award for a construction project or fifty thousand dollars, whichever amount is less; NOW, THEREFORE,

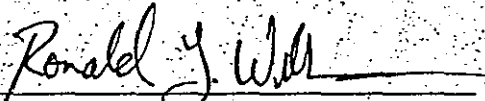
**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute public works construction change orders. The City Manager or designee is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute public works construction change orders on behalf of the city in an amount not to exceed ten percent of the total contract award for a construction project or fifty thousand dollars, whichever amount is less.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not effect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

Section 3. 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 take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

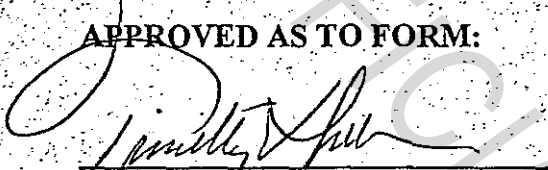
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 3, 1996

  
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Ronald L. Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Susan Matthew, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Timothy X. Sullivan, City Attorney

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