

ORDINANCE NO. 14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENT TO JOIN AND BE ANNEXED TO THE PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; REQUESTING THE CONCURRENCE OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS; AND REQUESTING THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL TO CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY ON THE PROPOSITION OF WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD BE ANNEXED TO THE PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3.

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 52.04.061 the process of annexation is initiated by an ordinance of the City Council stating the City's intent to join the fire district and finding that the public interest will be served thereby; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the options for providing fire service to the residents of the City, the City Council finds that the public interest will best be served by annexation of the City to the Fire District; and

WHEREAS, if the fire district concurs with the annexation, notification thereof shall be transmitted to the Pierce County Council which shall then call a special election to be held in the City at the time and in the manner provided in RCW 52.04.071; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Declaration of Intent and Finding. The City of University Place hereby declares its intent to join and be annexed to the Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3.

Section 2. Request for Concurrence of Fire District. Pursuant to RCW 52.04.061, the City Council requests that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3 concur with the proposed annexation of the City to the Fire District. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this ordinance to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Fire District.

Section 3. Declaration of Emergency. The City Council finds that an emergency exists requiring a special election to be held in the City of University Place on the proposition of whether the City should annex to the Fire District, in that it is essential that the City determine the manner in which fire services will be provided to residents of the City;

Section 4. Request for Special Election. The Pierce County Council is requested to concur in the finding of emergency and to call by resolution a special election to be held in the City of University Place on September 19, 1995, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City the proposition of whether the City should annex to the Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3. The Pierce County Council is also requested to give notice of the election as provided in RCW 52.04.071. The proposition to be submitted at the special election shall be in the form of a ballot title as follows:

PROPOSITION

ANNEXATION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE
TO PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3.

Shall the City of University Place be annexed to and be a part of the Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3?

YES.....

NO.....

Section 5 Transmittal to County Council and Request for Special Election. Pursuant to RCW 52.04.061 and 52.04.071, if the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3 concurs in the annexation, the City Clerk is authorized and directed to notify, and to send a certified copy of this ordinance and a copy of the Fire District's concurrence, to the Pierce County Council.

Section 6. Annexation. If a majority of persons voting on the annexation proposition vote in favor of annexation, then the City of University Place shall be annexed to and constitute a part of the Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3 effective immediately upon the official date of incorporation of the City.

Section 7. Effective Date. Pursuant to the authorization for submission of ballot propositions set forth in RCW 52.04.071, this ordinance shall take effect five days after its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JULY 10, 1995.


Stanley L. K. Flemming, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan Matthew, Interim City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


James J. Mason, City Attorney

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