

RESOLUTION NO. 354

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A CONSERVATION FUTURES GRANT TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY IN THE CHAMBERS CREEK CORRIDOR COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE KOBAYASHI PROPERTY.**

WHEREAS, the City adopted the Chambers Creek Properties Master Site Plan in 2000; this property abuts the County's property and meets those guidelines for acquisition and use; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Commission and many citizens expressed support for acquiring open space property and protecting wildlife habitat areas in the Chambers Creek Canyon and Leach Creek Corridor; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the property at 6420 Chambers Creek Road West, The Cascade Land Conservancy, has interceded to purchase the property as an interim owner until such time as the City can obtain grant funding to buy the property from the conservancy; and

WHEREAS, over 80% of the 5.5-acre Kobayashi property is covered with mature, Pacific Northwest woodlands; contains the confluence of Leach and Chambers Creeks and the property offers benefits of passive recreation, natural drainage, wildlife habitat and open space, protection for endangered salmon species, creates a trailhead for the entire canyon corridor for University Place residents and provides the only existing vehicular access to the Chambers Creek corridor canyon floor from Bridgeport Way West, and

WHEREAS, Pierce County Conservation Futures grants provide funds to preserve, protect and acquire open space land for public use and enjoyment; NOW THEREFORE

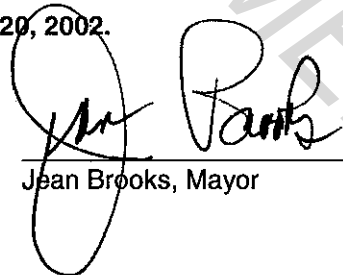
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE**

Section 1. Conservation Futures Grant application authorized. Application for a 2002 Conservation Futures grant by the City to acquire the Kobayashi property is hereby authorized.

Section 2. Local match authorized. The Council hereby authorizes provision of a 10% grant match up to \$50,000; whichever is less, with funds to be kept in reserve in the Parks Capital Improvement Program.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MAY 20, 2002.**

  
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Jean Brooks, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Catrina Craig, City Clerk