

RESOLUTION NO. 623

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE,
WASHINGTON TO BECOME A CASCADE AGENDA CITY.**

Whereas, the population in the Puget Sound region is expected to double in the next one hundred (100) years on top of the already dramatic growth recently experienced, thereby significantly impacting the growth of cities and towns; and

Whereas, long-term ecosystem health, economic vitality, and quality of life are of critical importance to citizens of the City; and

Whereas, in the face of such growth, the City can maintain and enhance the quality of life by guiding how and where this growth will occur; and

Whereas, The Cascade Agenda is a 100-year collective vision for the central Puget Sound region with the goals of conserving 1.3 million acres of working farms, forests, and natural areas and creating vibrant and livable communities, while sustaining a strong regional economy; and

Whereas, The Cascade Land Conservancy, recognizing the relationship between making our communities spectacular enough to attract growth and the conservation of this region's ecosystems and working lands, has launched the "Cascade Agenda Cities Program" to help local jurisdictions create complete, compact, and connected communities; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE,
WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:**


Section 1. Endorsement. The City endorses the vision articulated in The Cascade Agenda as beneficial to the City and the region as a whole.

Section 2. Partnership. The City shall pursue a partnership with the Cascade Land Conservancy as a member of the Cascade Agenda Cities Program to advance this vision within the community.

Section 3. Policies. The City will seek to align policies and programs on community development, housing, transportation, parks, and open space with strategies aimed at increasing sustainability, reflecting the values and goals of The Cascade Agenda Cities Program, and striving to make the City more complete, compact, and connected.

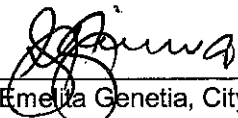
Section 4. Contact. The City shall appoint a staff person to act as the City's primary link with respect to Cascade Agenda Cities related activities.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2009.



Linda Bird, Mayor

ATTEST:



Emelia Genetia, City Clerk