

RESOLUTION NO. 697

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE ESTABLISHING A HOST CITY 2015 U.S. OPEN TASK FORCE, AND APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBERS KENT KEEL AND CHRIS NYE AS CO-CHAIRS AND COUNCILMEMBER JAVIER FIGUEROA AS A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the Chambers Bay Golf Course (Chambers Bay) has been selected by the United States Golf Association (USGA) as the site of the 2015 U.S. Open Championship; and

WHEREAS, Chambers Bay was designed by world-renowned golf course architect Robert Trent Jones, was developed and is owned by Pierce County, and is located in University Place; and

WHEREAS, the selection of Chambers Bay by the USGA to hold the 2015 U.S. Open Championship marks the first time that the championship will be held in the State of Washington, and represents an unprecedented honor and opportunity for the State, Pierce County, and the City of University Place as the host city; and

WHEREAS, the USGA in collaboration with Pierce County is the principal planning agency for the 2015 U.S. Open within Chambers Bay, but there are issues and opportunities for University Place as the host city that should be researched and planned well in advance of the championship; and

WHEREAS, in order to begin the investigation and planning process for the 2015 U.S. Open, the City Manager previously organized a staff task force which is working with the County's administration; and

WHEREAS, because of the tremendous opportunity and responsibility afforded to University Place as the host city of the 2015 U.S. Open, the City Council now desires to establish a Host City 2015 U.S. Open Task Force (Host City Task Force), and appoint Councilmembers Kent Keel and Chris Nye as Co-Chairs and Councilmember Javier Figueroa as a member; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Host City Task Force is not intended to, nor will it duplicate or conflict with the work of City staff; however, the City Manager will provide timely status updates of all City staff activities to the Task Force Co-Chairs; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Host City Task Force is not intended to, nor will it duplicate or conflict with the work of the USGA or Pierce County with respect to research, planning and preparation of the U.S. Open. Rather, the work of the Host City Task Force will focus on host city issues, and as the research and planning progresses is anticipated expand to include representatives of City boards and commissions, local business associations and others;

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

1. Incorporation. The recitals are hereby incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
2. Establishment and Mission of the University Place Host City 2015 U.S. Open Task Force. The Host City 2015 U.S. Open Task Force is established to research, study, learn, and coordinate with local governments and business associations to implement plans to increase the public awareness and economic development opportunities for University Place in order to make the 2015 U.S. Open the most pleasant and rewarding experience possible for USGA Officials, players, U.P. citizens, and golfing fans from around the world.
3. Appointment of Task Force. Councilmembers Kent Keel and Chris Nye are appointed as Co-Chairs of the Host City 2015 U.S. Open Task Force, along with Councilmember Javier Figueroa as a

member. The Task Force Co-Chairs may choose to expand participation to include representatives of City boards and commissions, local business associations, and others as they deem appropriate. Relations between the Host City Task Force and City staff will go through the City Manager.

4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 6, 2012.



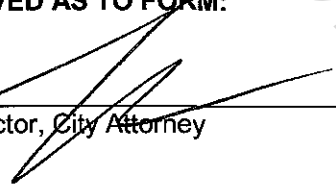
Ken Grassi, Mayor

ATTEST:



Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

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Steve Victor, City Attorney