

**RESOLUTION NO. 721**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DIRECTING THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE CITY'S CURRENT AND FUTURE PUBLIC SAFETY NEEDS AND SERVICES INCLUDING EXPENDITURES FOR PURPOSES OF EVALUATING THE CITY'S LONG-TERM SERVICE LEVELS AND FUNDING OVER THE NEXT TWENTY YEARS**

WHEREAS, the City Council's 2013-2014 goals identified "increased public safety" as one of its primary goals; and

WHEREAS, the City defines "public safety" as incorporating police services, jail service, municipal court services, and emergency management; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City to develop a public safety vision that is complimentary to those of neighboring communities and agencies, including West Pierce Fire & Rescue and the University Place School District; and

WHEREAS, the City currently contracts with Pierce County for police services and jail services, and with the City of Lakewood for municipal court services; and

WHEREAS, the current police contract with Pierce County Sheriff's Department extends through December, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the City Council dedicated all City property tax to fund City public safety needs; and

WHEREAS, the City's long-range financial forecast anticipates declining revenues available for City services, including public safety services in 2016; and

WHEREAS, through anticipated future commercial growth and development, the City's density and activities is expected to increase.

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

The Public Safety Commission is directed to examine the City's current and future public safety needs and services including expenditures for purposes of evaluating the City's long-term service levels and funding over the next twenty years. The Commission will report progress and status of their study on a regular basis and submit a final report for Council consideration by the fourth quarter of 2014.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL MAY 6, 2013.**

  
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Ken Grassi, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Steve Victor, City Attorney