RESOLUTION NO. 791

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON REQUESTING THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ZONING CODE TO INCLUDE BROAD CATEGORIES OF LAND USE DESIGNATIONS WITHIN WHICH SEVERAL ZONING DISTRICTS COULD BE LOCATED

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Washington 36.70A.040 requires the City to comply with all requirements of the Growth Management Act (GMA) including adopting and updating a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of University Place adopted its comprehensive Plan on July 6, 1998 and updated the plan on December 6, 2004 in accordance with RCW 36.70A.130, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 36.70A.130 the City comprehensive plan shall be subject to continuing review and evaluation and updated no more frequently than once per year, and

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Washington 36.70A.040 requires the City to adopt development regulations which are consistent with and implement the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received a Legislative Proposal from Councilmembers Worthington and Figueroa to modify the land use designations used in the City's comprehensive plan to be categories of uses within which several specific zoning districts could be located, rather than having a particular land use designation linked the each zoning district as it is today, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Council Rules, directives to the City's Commissions including the Planning Commission are to be in the form of a City Council Resolution; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ordinance 338 the purpose of the Planning Commission is to advise the City Council on the following topics: growth management; general land use and transportation planning; long range capital improvement plans; and other matters as directed by the City Council;

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

- Section 1. Review and Recommendations to Amend the City's Land Use Designations. The City Council directs the Planning Commission to review and make recommendations regarding modification of land use designations used in the City's comprehensive plan to be categories of uses within which several specific zoning districts could be located, rather than having a particular land use designation linked to each zoning district as it is today, in accordance with Council direction given below:
 - 1. Consider establishing comprehensive plan land use designations based on area characteristics including but not limited to traffic volume, distance to arterials and proximity to other uses and existing zones.
 - 2. Consider which zones should be located within each land use designation to allow some rezoning of property without the need for a comprehensive plan amendment each time.
 - 3. Consider adding commercial zones to implement the comprehensive plan including but not limited to new categories of mixed uses and varying intensity of retail use.

4. Recommend criteria which must be met for approval of any rezone to ensure the intent of the comprehensive plan is met and to avoid unintended consequences.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 5, 2015.

Denise McCluskey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Steve Victor, City Attorney