

**RESOLUTION NO. 847**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2017 DR-4309 HMGP PLANNING SUB-APPLICATION, GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY GRANT REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF CREATING AN UPDATED CITY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Emergency Management announced in late May that a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program was available to all entities within the State; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a pre-application letter in June 2017 requesting to be considered as a viable project for grant funding. In addition, Pierce County also submitted a pre-application letter asking that the County be included in their hazard mitigation planning process; and

WHEREAS, in August 2017, both jurisdictions were notified that each was formally invited to apply for grant funding. The City and County have been working closely with one another in hope that between the two applications at least one will be accepted and receive funding to update the City's hazard mitigation plan that expired in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the hazard mitigation plan and its processes are used to reduce or eliminate the loss of life and property damage resulting from a variety of hazards found within a community. Such plans help a community gain a better understanding of natural or man-made disasters that are prone to the area and attempts to build more sustainable communities in an effort to reduce long-term impacts; and

WHEREAS, active hazard mitigation plans are required to receive FEMA reimbursements to aid in any disaster relief; and

WHEREAS, Hazard Mitigation Planning Grants require the cost be shared between the federal government (75%), state (12.5%) and city (12.5%). The City's portion of the cost would be provided through local staff time, materials and/or supplies used to craft and develop the plan. No further amount or appropriation is required in terms of matching funds. The City is requesting grant funding in the amount of \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it in the best interests of the health and safety of the residents of University Place to pursue the Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant.

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

Section 1. City participation in Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant approved. The City's participation in the Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant is hereby approved.

Section 2. Designation of an applicant agent. The Human Resources Manager is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the City of University Place, a local government entity, the DR-4309 HMGP application, grant agreement, and payment requests to be filed with the Military Department, Emergency Management Division, for the purpose of obtaining and administering certain state and federal financial assistance under Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Act of 1998, P.L. 93-288, as amended. The City Council hereby authorizes its agent to provide to the Washington Military Department, Emergency Management Division assurances and agreements required for all matters concerning such state disaster mitigation.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

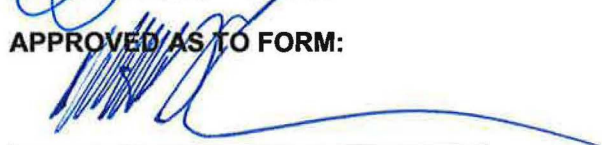
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ON AUGUST 21, 2017.

  
Javier H. Figueroa, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Matthew S. Kaser, City Attorney