

RESOLUTION NO. 62

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE,
WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE LOCAL CABLE TV
NEGOTIATIONS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS.**

Whereas, Viacom is the cable TV operator that held a franchise agreement for the University Place area at the time of the city's incorporation; and

Whereas, a new city must honor an existing franchise agreement for five years pursuant to state law but may enter into negotiations with a franchisee earlier if mutually advantageous; and


Whereas, Viacom has agreed to hold preliminary discussions with City about drafting a new cable franchise agreement; and

Whereas, the City would like to assist the School District in acquiring an institutional network to support the district's computer education plans and has made the provision of an institutional network one of the primary goals in the present negotiations with Viacom. Currently, the City is asking for a new five-year agreement, but the City may be flexible on the length of the agreement depending on what Viacom is able to offer. The City also wishes to obtain a local University Place cable TV channel and a capital grant.

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

The City of University Place supports the current local negotiations with Viacom with an institutional network for the school district being a primary goal of those negotiations. The City also wishes to thank Viacom for the company's willingness to hold preliminary negotiations regarding a new franchise agreement.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 16, 1995.


Mayor Stanley L. K. Flemming

ATTEST:


Susan Matthew, City Clerk