RESOLUTION NO. 213

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENT TO USE THE UTILITY TAX RATE INCREASE FROM 2.5% TO 4.0% TO SUPPORT CITY PARKS.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to expand parks and recreation programs, services, and capital improvements to the community;

WHEREAS, the City Council has authority under State law to impose a utility tax for purposes such as parks and recreation programs;

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Resolution 75 of the City of University Place, Washington, declaring the City's intent to establish and fund a basic City parks and recreation program in 1995 using the existing 2.5% utility tax rate; and,

WHEREAS, the utility tax rate increase from 2.5% to 4.0% will be used in support of park land acquisition, parks capital financing, and parks and recreation maintenance and operations; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- Section 1. <u>Intent.</u> The City Council declares its intent to provide expanded parks and recreation programs, services, and capital improvements as a function of City government;
- Section 2. <u>Purpose.</u> Program services and funding shall be for parks, park land acquisition, grant match, parks and recreation capital improvements, capital debt management, and parks reserves or contingency.
- Section 3. <u>Revenues.</u> An amount equal to the first 4.0% of the utility tax shall be set aside in the General Fund or other City Funds for parks.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect on January 1, 2000.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 19, 1999.

Debbie Klosowski, Mayor

Attest:

Susan Matthew, City Clerk