RESOLUTION NO. 361

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, REQUESTING THAT THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE.

WHEREAS, various Federal and State government laws and regulations mandate local governmental action relative to protection and enhancement of the environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of University Place is required to plan and implement programs and projects in response to these Federal and State mandates, including the National Point Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and the Endangered Species Act (ESA); and

WHEREAS, outside funding for said programs and projects is often insufficient to meet the needs of local government; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce Conservation District, a locally-led agency of Washington State government, offers significant assistance to local governments and private citizens in response to said Federal and State mandates; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Council possesses the authority under Chapter 89.08.400 RCW to enhance the ability of the Pierce Conservation District to assist local governments by authorizing an annual special assessment of up to Five Dollars (\$5.00) per parcel within the Pierce Conservation District's boundaries for a period of not greater than ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, the City of University Place and the Pierce Conservation District have mutually planned a six-year resource conservation program that will be beneficial to the citizens of the City of University Place; NOW THEREFORE:

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

Section 1. <u>Resource Conservation Fee Requested.</u> The City Council hereby requests that the Pierce County Council, in accordance with Chapter 89.08.400 RCW, authorize a five dollar (\$5.00) per parcel annual Conservation District Special Assessment for a period of six (6) years within the corporate boundaries of the City of University Place.

Section 2. <u>Effective Date.</u> This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AUGUST 12, 2002.

Jean Brooks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Catrina Craig, City Clerk