RESOLUTION NO. 394

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, WAIVING THE NONCONFORMING SIGN PERMIT FEE.

WHEREAS, on January 3, 1996, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 79 which in part established a deadline for replacing nonconforming signs with conforming signs by December 31, 2001 and:

WHEREAS, on June 3, 1996 the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 98 providing an amortization period for nonconforming signs and extending the time all signs must be in conformance to December 31, 2002, and;

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2000 the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 280 further extending the time all signs must be in conformance to July 1, 2004, requiring a nonconforming sign permit and providing other provisions under which nonconforming signs shall be brought into conformance with the City code, and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2001 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 304 establishing a fee of \$25 for a nonconforming sign permit and on October 15, 2001 adopted Resolution No. 328 increasing the fee to \$26 to keep up with inflation, and

WHEREAS, an inventory of nonconforming signs has been completed and the city will be sending notice to the nonconforming sign owners informing them they will need to obtain a nonconforming sign permit within 180-days of notification by the city, and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2003 the City Council recommended waiving the building permit fees and sign permit fees for new signs replacing non-conforming signs for the first two years after the adoption of the new sign code, and

WHEREAS, waiving the building permit fee and sign permit fees for the first two years after adoption of the new sign code for new signs replacing non-conforming signs should encourage non-conforming sign owners to bring their signs into compliance with the new sign code sooner to help meet the intent of the City's Comprehensive Plan, and

WHEREAS, waiving the nonconforming sign permit should encourage nonconforming sign owners to obtain nonconforming sign permits within the 180 day requirement, potentially saving the city significant time and financial resources enforcing the sign code; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- Section 1. <u>Nonconforming Sign Permit Fee Waived.</u> The \$26.00 Nonconforming Sign Permit Fee established by Resolution 304 and amended by Resolution 328 is hereby waived.
- Section 2. <u>Building Permit Fee and Sign Permit Fee Waived.</u> The building permit fee and sign permit fee for the first two years after adoption of the new sign code for new signs replacing non-conforming signs is hereby waived.
 - Section 2. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL MAY 12, 2003.

Jean Brooks, Mayor

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