RESOLUTION NO. 517

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City Council established rules of procedure to organize and regulate its internal affairs and provide the most expedient means of conducting council meetings; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. <u>Rules of Procedure Amended.</u> The Rules of Procedure of the City Council, as adopted by Resolution No. 451 and amended by Resolution No. 476 and Resolution No. 477 and Resolution No. 507 are amended as presented in Exhibit A to this Resolution.

Section 2. <u>Effective Date.</u> This resolution shall take effect immediate upon signing.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE 6th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2006.

Gerald Gehring, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Ortiz, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

SECTION 11. CONSENT CALENDAR.

- A. The City Manager in consultation with the Presiding Officer, shall place matters on the Consent Calendar which: (a) have been previously discussed or policies set by the Council, or (b) based on the information delivered to members of the Council, by the administration, can be reviewed by a Councilmember without further explanation, or (c) are so routine or technical in nature that passage is likely.
- B. The motion to adopt the Consent Calendar shall be non-debatable and have the effect of moving to adopt all items on the Consent Calendar. Since adoption of any item on the Consent Calendar implies unanimous consent, any member of the Council shall have the right to remove any item from the Consent Calendar. If any matter is withdrawn, the Presiding Officer Council shall place the item at an appropriate place on the agenda for deliberation at the current or future Council Meeting.

SECTION 12. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

The Public Hearing is a formal opportunity for citizens to give their views for consideration in the legislative or policy-decision-making process. In addition, public hearings are required on quasi-judicial actions which determine the legal rights, duties, or privileges of specific parties. The following rules shall be observed during public hearings:

- A. <u>Legislative/Information Gathering Public Hearing;</u>
 - 1. Open Public Hearing The Mayor will open the public hearing.
 - Staff Presentation For an initial presentation of background information from a
 City Department, a City Board, Commission, or Committee, or an organization
 such as the Fire District, the Library District, or the School District, no more than
 20 minutes will be allowed, unless otherwise authorized by the Presiding Officer.
 - Citizen Comments Comments will be limited to four three minutes from individuals or from persons speaking as a representative of an organization, club, or group. The Presiding Officer may allow additional time for receipt of written testimony, when needed,
 - Staff Comments Additional staff comments may be requested by Council following citizen comments.
 - 5. <u>Close Public Hearing</u> At the conclusion of Citizen or Staff Comments, the Presiding Officer will close the public hearing.
 - 6. Council Deliberation.