

RESOLUTION NO. 772

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE
APPROVING A DRAFT U.S. OPEN PARKING RESTRICTION ZONE PLAN AND COVER
LETTER FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH**

WHEREAS, the Chambers Bay Golf Course has been selected by the United States Golf Association (USGA) as the site of the 2015 U.S. Open Championship; and

WHEREAS, from the time the 2015 U.S. Open was announced by Pierce County in 2010 through today, U.P. residents have expressed valid concerns about event traffic and parking, clogging streets and otherwise interfering with access to and from their homes; and

WHEREAS, the USGA plans to provide remote parking lots and shuttles for all ticket holders; however, an impact to local streets from traffic and parking remains a real potential; and

WHEREAS, in order to address the potential traffic and parking impact, University Place staff, led by Public Works and Police, have worked with West Pierce Fire and the USGA to develop a Draft Plan and an accompanying cover letter for public outreach that would welcome 30,000 visitors each day to our city, while minimizing to the greatest extent possible traffic and parking impacts to residents who live near the Course; and

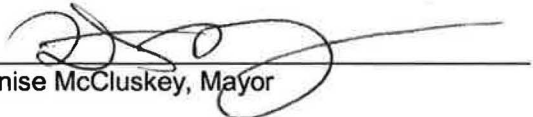
WHEREAS, the primary goals of the Draft Plan are to secure our residents access to and from their homes during the seven-day event, and to avoid the congestion from event traffic and parking which could hinder emergency response times; and

WHEREAS, residents who would like more information or would like to comment on the Draft U.S. Open Parking Restriction Zone Plan are invited to a Public Open House hosted by University Place Public Works, Police and West Pierce Fire. Two Open House meetings are scheduled at the Curtis High School cafeteria;

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

1. Incorporation. The recitals are hereby incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
2. Approval of Draft Plan. The draft U.S. Open Parking Restriction Zone Plan and accompanying cover letter for public outreach are hereby approved and shall be sent to the residents who live in the Restriction Zones, with opportunities for public comment at two Open Houses in November.
3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 3, 2014.


Denise McCluskey, Mayor

ATTEST:



Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Steve Victor, City Attorney

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November 4, 2014



To: Residents and Businesses of University Place near Chambers Bay Golf Course

From June 15-21, 2015, the Chambers Bay Golf Course in University Place will be the site of the United States Golf Association's 2015 U.S. Open Championship Golf Tournament. This will be the first time in its more than 100-year history that the Championship has been held in the state of Washington. With an estimated 30,000 attendees per day coming and going for the seven days of the Championship, it is also by far the largest event ever to occur in our city. Ticket holders will essentially double the population of University Place during the event.

From the time the 2015 U.S. Open was announced by Pierce County in 2007 through today, U.P. residents have expressed valid concerns about event traffic and parking, clogging streets and otherwise interfering with access to and from their homes. While the U.S. Amateur in 2010 provided some practical experience with this type of event at the Chambers Bay properties, it was not comparable in size and attendance to what the U.S. Open Championship will bring to our community.

The USGA plans to provide remote parking lots and shuttles for all ticket holders; however, an impact to local streets from traffic and parking remains a real potential. To address the potential traffic and parking impact, University Place staff, led by Public Works and Police, have worked with West Pierce Fire and the USGA to develop a draft plan that would welcome 30,000 visitors each day to our City, while minimizing to the greatest extent possible traffic and parking impacts to residents who live near the course.

The primary goals of the draft plan are to secure our residents access to and from their homes during the seven-day event, and to avoid the congestion from event traffic and parking which could hinder emergency response times. The City Council has reviewed the draft plan and our next step is to conduct two open houses with residents and businesses.

The essentials of the draft plan and map which are provided with this letter are:

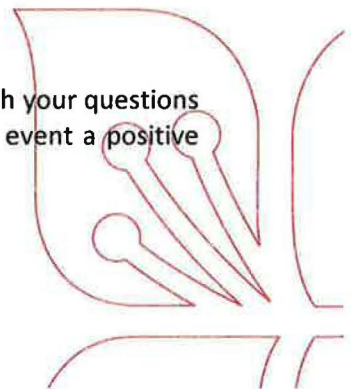
- Residents and home-based businesses will have access to and from their homes at all times.
- The designation of temporary "No Event Parking" and "No On-Street Parking" zones in areas near the Chambers Bay properties will prevent neighborhood streets from being used as parking lots, and ensures full access for emergency services.
- Residents in the "Neighborhood Access Pass Only/No On-Street Parking" zone will be provided passes for each driving household member for the duration of the event. Special arrangements for home-based businesses will be made on an individual basis.

If you would like more information or would like to comment on the Draft U.S. Open Parking Restriction Zone Plan, you are invited to a Public Open House hosted by University Place Public Works, Police and West Pierce Fire. Two Open House meetings are scheduled at the Curtis High School cafeteria:

Tuesday, November 18, 6-8:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 20, 6-8:30 p.m.

You may also contact Parks and Public Works Director Gary Cooper at 253.460.6493 with your questions or comments. We at the City of University Place look forward to making this historic event a positive experience for everyone.



Draft U.S. Open Parking Restriction Zone Plan

Anticipated effective dates: June 12-21, 2015

Temporary Street Closures

- Grandview Drive adjacent to the Chambers Bay Golf Course will be heavily used for U.S. Open transportation and other support necessitating Grandview to be closed to general traffic from 48th Street to 64th/Chambers Creek Road for the duration of the event, which begins with public merchandise sales on June 12 and concludes on June 21, 2015.
- For the same reasons, Chambers Creek Road will be closed from 64th (top of the hill) to the Bridge at Chambers Bay (bottom of the hill).

Zone 1 – Neighborhood Access Pass Only/No On-Street Parking (Orange)

This Zone contains 89 homes with no access other than from Grandview Drive. Residents in this Zone will be provided access passes for each driving household member.

Zone 2 – No On-Street Parking (Blue)

Although Grandview Drive will be closed, residents living in Zone 2 will have unrestricted access from Cirque Drive via Bristonwood Drive. While not having direct access from Grandview to residences will cause some inconvenience, it will result in greater safety for pedestrians utilizing Grandview Drive.

This Zone will remain open to general traffic, but all on-street parking will be prohibited for the duration of the U.S. Open in order to:

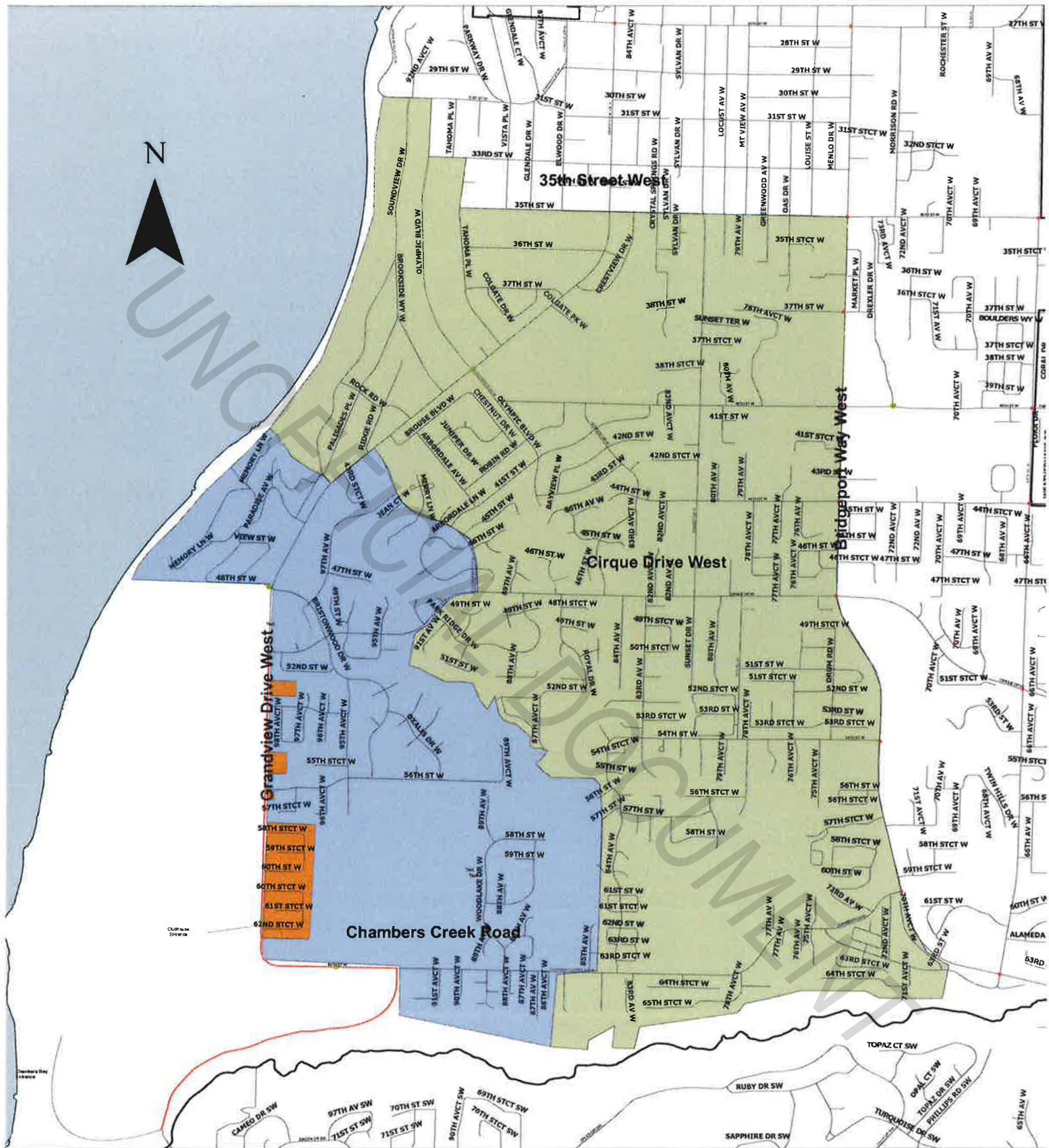
- Encourage ticket holders to utilize their assigned remote parking facilities and USGA shuttles to reach the Course, and to go through security, rather than clogging residential streets with vehicles attempting to access the event through unauthorized areas.
- Ensure access for emergency vehicles to the neighborhood and the event.
- Promote public safety by reducing any potential threat from the contents of parked vehicles to the neighborhood and the event.
- Avoid congestion for general vehicle traffic and event shuttle routes.

Zone 3 – No Event Parking Zone (Green)

This Zone will allow on-street parking for residents and guests. Residential streets will be signed at intersecting arterial streets. Event attendees will not be allowed to park in this Zone. Enforcement will be complaint based.

Special arrangements may be made for planned Father's Day events on June 21 in all zones.

RAB/Traffic Signal Locations/Parking Restriction Zones



Legend

-  Roundabouts
-  Road Closed
-  Neighborhood Access Pass Zone (89)
-  No On Street Parking Zone (1,245)
-  No Event Parking Zone (3,432)

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