

RESOLUTION NO. 556

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, ENDORSING THE EFFORTS OF THE GIG HARBOR PENINSULA HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO BUILD A NEW MUSEUM AND HERITAGE CENTER, FOR WHICH THE PRIMARY PURPOSE IS THE COLLECTION, PRESERVATION OR INTERPRETATION OF HISTORY, HERITAGE, ART AND CULTURE OF THE GIG HARBOR PENINSULA; AND WHICH WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE FISHING BOAT 'THE SHENANDOAH', A MUSEUM SHOP, FOOD SERVICE, INSTRUCTION ROOMS AND ASSEMBLY HALL; AND DIRECTING THE PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO EXPLORE AND PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES TO COOPERATE IN FULFILLMENT OF THIS GOAL.

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor values the preservation of the history and culture of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society was founded in 1963, in order to preserve and interpret the history of the Gig Harbor Peninsula from first contact to the present; and

WHEREAS, the Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society has operated a museum to serve this purpose since 1973; and

WHEREAS, the Museum has been forced to move five times in that period of time, due to the changing needs of various landlords; and

WHEREAS, there has been significant growth both in the collections and in the public demand on the resources of the Historical Society and its services; and

WHEREAS, the Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society has purchased land for the purpose of building a new museum; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor has purchased the Borgen Property, which is itself an Historical site of great significance to the City, and which is adjacent to the proposed new museum; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor intends to provide interpretive programs in conjunction and cooperation with the new Museum; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor shares the values and goals and a mutual interest in the success of the Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society Museum; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. This resolution does hereby extend to the Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society endorsement and support of their efforts to build the new Museum adjacent to the Borgen Property.

Section 2. The Planning and Building Services Department is directed to explore and pursue avenues by which the City may support the plans for the development of the new Museum at their proposed location.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR this 10th day of July, 2000.

APPROVED:

GRETCHEN A. WILBERT, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

MOLLY M. TOWSLEE, CITY CLERK

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 7/5/2000
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 7/10/00
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