

RESOLUTION NO. 1061

A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO PROMOTE AN EFFICIENT, COLLABORATIVE OPEN GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE FOR TIMELY AND CONSISTENT PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION THAT FOSTERS ACCOUNTABILITY, RESPONSIVENESS, AND CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT.

WHEREAS, the City is committed to engaging the community and improving public knowledge of City operations; and

WHEREAS, access to public information promotes a higher level of civic engagement and allows citizens to provide valuable feedback regarding local issues; and

WHEREAS, by consistent and timely sharing of information, the City seeks to increase civic engagement for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, information technologies, including web-based and other internet applications and services, are an essential means for open government; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive open government program enhances coordination and efficiencies between City departments and partner organizations; and

WHEREAS, the development of an Open Government Initiative improves citizen trust in their government, access to public information, and governmental performance;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington:

Section 1: The City hereby affirms its commitment to an efficient, collaborative, and open government advanced by timely and consistent publication of publicly disclosable information.

Section 2: The City Council supports the establishment of an Open Government Initiative which shall include (1) proactively publishing disclosable

City data, making it freely available; (2) maintaining accurate and timely information on the City website and mobile application; (3) actively researching the types of information that would be useful to constituents; (4) encouraging innovative use of the City's published data by the public and other agencies and partners.

RESOLVED this 9th day of January, 2017.


MAYOR JILL GUERNSEY

ATTEST:


Molly Towslee, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Summerfield, City Attorney

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