

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA AND THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT, STATE OF WASHINGTON, FOR REAL ESTATE TRANSFER OF THE OLYMPIA ARMORY TO THE CITY OF OLYMPIA TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, ARTS EDUCATION, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

WHEREAS, the Military Department, State of Washington, is the owner of certain real property located at 515 Eastside Street SE in Olympia, Washington, consisting of approximately 1.72 acres, more or less, and commonly known as the Olympia Armory; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2021, Governor Jay Inslee signed Substitute House Bill 1080 (hereafter referred to as “SHB 1080”), Chapter 332, Laws of 2021 of the 67th Legislature, 2021 Regular Session, relating to the Capital Budget of the State of Washington, with an effective date of May 18, 2021; and

WHEREAS, SHB 1080, Chapter 332, Laws of 2021, Section 1137, sets forth an appropriation to the Military Department of \$2,000,000 subject to the transfer of the Olympia Armory to the City of Olympia for “use as a community asset dedicated to using the arts to support community development, arts education, and economic development initiatives for a minimum of 10 years”; and

WHEREAS, the Military Department and the City were required to reach a memorandum of understanding to transfer the Olympia Armory to the City for the authorized purposes provided in SHB 1080, Chapter 332, Laws of 2021, Section 1137, by May 30, 2023 “. . . at no cost to the city, except for the city’s assumption of closing costs”; and

WHEREAS, the City and Military Department have negotiated the terms and conditions for the transfer of the Olympia Armory by the Military Department, as Grantor, to the City of Olympia, as Grantee, including certain restrictive covenants that shall run with the land and be binding on all present and future owners or occupiers of the Olympia Armory for a period of ten (10) years, as required by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the form of Memorandum of Understanding for Real Estate Transfer Between the City of Olympia and the Military Department, State of Washington, upon the terms and conditions contained therein.
2. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the Memorandum of Understanding for Real Estate Transfer between the City of Olympia and the Military Department, State of Washington, and any other documents including modifications or amendments thereto that may be necessary, and to make any minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Memorandum of Understanding, or to correct any scrivener's errors.

3. The Olympia City Council extends its thanks and appreciation on behalf of the City of Olympia to the Military Department, State of Washington, for their cooperation in reaching this Memorandum of Understanding for Real Estate Transfer, and to the Washington State Legislature, for the opportunity to acquire the Olympia Armory facility to support Olympia's community development, arts education, and economic development initiatives.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2021.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark Barber
CITY ATTORNEY