

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA,
WASHINGTON DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AT McALLISTER
SPRINGS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA'S
DRINKING WATER UTILITY**

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia holds fee simple ownership of 181.5 acres of real property in unincorporated Thurston County, known collectively as the McAllister Springs properties (hereinafter "McAllister Springs"), which is held as an asset of the City's Drinking Water Utility; and

WHEREAS, McAllister Springs historically served as the City's main public drinking water supply source before Olympia developed and commenced use of the McAllister Wellfield in early 2015; and

WHEREAS, McAllister Springs is no longer used or needed as a drinking water source for the City due to federal and state statutes and regulations to improve safety of public drinking water, which led to the City's development and use of the McAllister Wellfield as its main public drinking water supply source; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Health required that McAllister Springs, an unfiltered surface water source, be physically disconnected from the City's drinking water system; and

WHEREAS, the Drinking Water Utility successfully transferred all of its McAllister Springs water rights to the McAllister Wellfield and therefore no longer has a legal right for use of water from McAllister Springs; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2008, the Nisqually Tribe and Olympia entered into a historic Memorandum of Agreement that provides the framework and terms and conditions for cooperative work on the shared issues of water supply and water resources stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement provided for Olympia to retain ownership of the McAllister Springs properties and to negotiate a long-term agreement for conservation status and use by the Nisqually Tribe; and

WHEREAS, four out of the five McAllister Springs properties (specifically tax parcel numbers 21819130101 (Parcel A), 21819430100 (Parcel C), 21819430200 (Parcel D), and 21819440200 (Parcel E)), totaling 177.2 acres, are no longer needed by the City's Drinking Water Utility, yet the City's utility rate payers continue to bear the costs of property and facility repair, maintenance and other liabilities associated therewith; and

WHEREAS, any disposition of the McAllister Springs properties may occur only after a legislative determination that certain properties at issue are surplus to the needs of the City's Drinking Water Utility, and the City conducts a subsequent public hearing upon proper notice as provided by law as to any disposition of the surplus properties;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE that the McAllister Springs properties, specifically tax parcel numbers 21819130101, 21819430100, 21819430200, and 21819440200, are surplus to the needs of the City's Drinking Water Utility.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2017.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



CITY ATTORNEY