

## RESOLUTION 1233

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A CONSERVATION FUTURES GRANT APPLICATION TO PIERCE COUNTY.

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Gig Harbor has identified parcel number 0221061107 addressed as 4219 Harborview Drive and located north of Donkey Creek, as a parcel of uniquely archeologic and historic landmark value; and

**WHEREAS**, properties along Harborview Drive and Burnham Drive within the North Creek watershed are at significant risk of land clearing and housing development; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated development of this property by its approved preliminary plat that allows a public road and 18 single family lots would result in degraded natural habitat, loss of trees among a limited forested area, and a dramatic change in the look of this corner of our downtown view basin; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gig Harbor is working with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians and the wider community to secure additional resources to fund the acquisition, management, and interpretation of this parcel and surrounding properties of significant natural and cultural heritage; and

**WHEREAS**, the owners of the parcel are interested in selling this parcel to the City for public ownership and access, and signed a purchase and sale agreement with the City, contingent on an appraisal, environmental review of the property, and a funding request for Pierce County Conservation Futures funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gig Harbor is an eligible agency to receive properties acquired with a Pierce County Conservation Futures Grant. The acquired property would be included in the City's parks open space inventory and maintained in its natural state as a conservation, historical, and cultural preserve with low impact trail access; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gig Harbor has the ability to receive, own, and maintain this property with public trails, and scenic viewpoints along a trail corridor in conservation, due to the anticipated low level of required maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, Pierce County Conservation Futures Grants require a minimum 10% matching funds of the estimated purchase price from the recipient;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor:

**Section 1.** The Mayor is authorized to submit a Conservation Futures Grant application to Pierce County property. The Mayor is authorized to sign an affidavit on behalf of the City as the Receiving Agency, acknowledging that the City will accept the property interest acquired and protect and steward the conservation features of the parcel in perpetuity.

**Section 2.** The City hereby certifies that it shall provide a matching share of project funding, which will be provided by a city budget appropriation.

**Section 3.** If the grant is awarded and the sale of the parcel is executed, the City hereby accepts property into its parks inventory. Any development of the property will be authorized and budgeted by future Council action.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor at a regular meeting thereof, held this 14th day of February, 2022.



Tracie Markley  
Mayor

Attest:



Joshua Stecker  
City Clerk