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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager

From: Rob Jammerman, Development Engineering Manager
Kathy Brown, Public Works Director

Date: October 205, 2016

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding with Puget Sound Energy

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve the attached resolution which authorizes the City Manager to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Puget Sound Energy (PSE).

By approval of this item as part of the consent calendar the Council is authorizing the execution of the MOU.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

In conjunction with the PSE Gas Franchise extension, City staff and Deputy Mayor Arnold have been working with PSE representatives to draft a MOU that addresses goals to increase production of renewable energy sources (wind, solar, etc.) and decrease the use of non-renewable energy sources. The attached final draft has been reviewed and agreed to by representatives from parties.

Attachment: MOU

RESOLUTION R-5218

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AND PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC. REGARDING PSE INCREASING THE USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES AND DECREASING THE USE OF NON-RENEWABLE SOURCES.

1 WHEREAS, the City of Kirkland ("City") and Puget Sound Energy,
2 Inc. ("PSE") have negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding wherein
3 PSE has agreed to attempt to increase the use of renewable energy
4 sources and decrease the use of non-renewable sources.

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6 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City
7 of Kirkland as follows:

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9 Section 1. The City Manager is authorized and directed to
10 execute the memorandum of Understanding between the City and PSE
11 substantially in the form of the attached Exhibit A.

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13 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
14 meeting this ____ day of _____, 2016.

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16 Signed in authentication thereof this ____ day of _____,
17 2016.

MAYOR

Attest:

City Clerk

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into between the City of Kirkland (the “City”) and Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (“PSE”), also referred to herein as the “Parties”.

WHEREAS, thirty-nine cities and King County have established shared, formal targets through countywide planning policies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

WHEREAS, Kirkland has joined the King County – Cities Climate Collaboration representing more than 1.5 million residents to develop pathways for achieving climate goals, chart out specific projects and initiatives to meet shared emissions reduction targets, including increasing renewable electricity use by 20 percentage points above 2012 levels by 2030, and

WHEREAS, the City has the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions within the city by 80 percent by 2050, and

WHEREAS, the City has goals to increase energy efficiency by continuously upgrading its facilities and promoting energy efficiency city-wide, and

WHEREAS, the City has set a goal of 100 percent for renewable energy use by 2050 through regional collaboration, and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted green building codes and has established an expedited green building program that support energy and water efficiency beyond what is required by state building codes, and increasing production of renewable energy, and

WHEREAS the City uses and values the conservation incentives and rebates offered by PSE to support energy efficiency projects, and works in partnership with PSE to promote energy conservation, green power purchases, and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to increase the availability of clean, renewable energy supplies for its residents which includes campaigns such as Solarize Kirkland to promote production of solar energy, and

WHEREAS, PSE recognizes that the City values sustainability, including electricity sourced from renewable energy sources, and

WHEREAS, PSE is pursuing voluntary long term renewable energy service agreements with cities and corporations, including the City, and

WHEREAS, PSE has committed to shut down the Colstrip 1 and 2 coal-fired power plants by July 1, 2022

WHEREAS, PSE purchases renewable energy sources like wind, biogas, and solar, on behalf of residents and businesses through the PSE Green Power Program and offers this program throughout PSE’s service territory, and

WHEREAS, PSE is a leading utility-developer of wind power and PSE also promotes the development of other renewable resources including solar power; and

WHEREAS, PSE offers a number of valuable incentives and energy advisors to its customers to encourage use of energy efficient appliances and upgrades for living and business spaces, and

WHEREAS, PSE continues its long established objective of meeting energy savings goals and customer expectations for energy efficiency programs, while effectively and prudently managing costs for its customers, and

WHEREAS, PSE strives to ensure adequate supply of reliable reasonably priced natural gas and electricity throughout its service territory to a diverse customer base, and

WHEREAS, the City and PSE recognize the value of further developing their working relationship through cooperation, communication, and coordination, and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby understood and agreed between the Parties as follows: that the City and PSE will work together in good faith to communicate and collaborate on both the City's and PSE's energy values, programs, and goals as and in the manner mutually agreed upon by the Parties from time to time, including;

Cooperation to promote energy conservation incentives and green power options to City residents;

Cooperation to promote increasing energy conservation and renewable energy development;

Agreed and Accepted this _____ day of _____, 2016

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

CITY OF KIRKLAND

(Signature)

(Name)

(Title)

City Manager