

RESOLUTION NO. 1618

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIFE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SEEK 2% FUNDING TOWARD PARTIAL FUNDING OF THE GRADE SEPARATED CROSSING OF THE UPRR TRACKS AT 54<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE EAST

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Puyallup Tribe/State Gaming Compact entered into between the Puyallup Tribe and the State of Washington, the Tribe agreed to establish a fund from a portion of its class III gaming operations for the expressed purpose of providing local government agencies financial assistance to mitigate any impacts resulting from the casino operations: and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has previously provided partial funding to assist the City in improving its transportation network in order to assure the traffic generated by the Casino within Fife can safely get to and from the Casino; and

WHEREAS, over the next several years there will be multiple major road projects by the State, County and City that will adversely impact Casino patrons in getting to and from the Casino; and

WHEREAS, the City is proposing the fast track the construction of a grade separated crossing of the UPRR tracks at 54<sup>th</sup> Avenue East so that the congestion can be somewhat mitigated, as well as providing a direct route for casino customers south of the UPRR tracks to take that is not a truck route; and

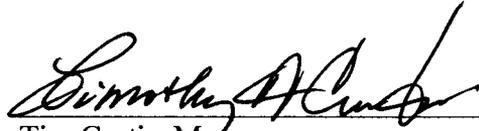
WHEREAS the City doesn't currently have sufficient funding to fast track the project, and thus is seeking other funding sources to assist in making it possible to have the grade separated crossing open as early as 2016; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIFE DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** The City Manager is directed to submit a special application to the

Puyallup Tribe to seek funding in order to assist with the expedited design and construction of the 54<sup>th</sup> Avenue grade separated crossing of the UPRR tracks.

ADOPTED by the City Council at an open public meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014.

  
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Tim Curtis, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Carol Etgen, City Clerk