

ORDINANCE 2020 - 04

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, RATIFYING RESOLUTION
2015-55 ACCEPTING DONATION OF THE JERRY
TAYLOR VETERANS MEMORIAL TO INCLUDE
ARTWORK, STONework AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyside has been working with the American Legion, Post 73 to build the Jerry Taylor Veterans Memorial; and

WHEREAS, the memorial contains numerous items of value, including engraved granite stone walls, statues, concrete work, and other improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Jerry Taylor Veterans Memorial is located on a City street right-of-way (ROW) on 9th Street running from Edison street on the Northern side to Franklin Street on the Southern side; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Sunnyside previously, by way of Resolution, received a donation of all of the artwork and improvements to the City of Sunnyside to ensure that these valuable assets are protected against loss and to ensure the continued success of the Jerry Taylor Veterans Memorial; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 35.21.100 the City's acceptance of a donation, devise, or bequest must be accomplished by way of a duly published Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the previous Resolution was passed by a majority of the City Council fulfilling the voting requirement for acceptance of the donation pursuant to RCW 35.21.100; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the finding that the voting requirement was fulfilled, the City Council finds and determines that approval of this Ordinance is required to fulfill

the original purpose of Resolution No. 2015-55 and is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Sunnyside.

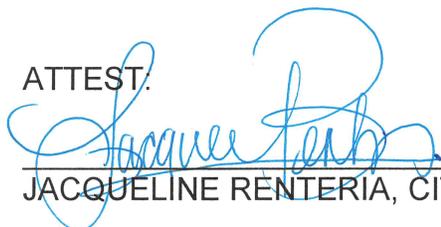
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, as follows:

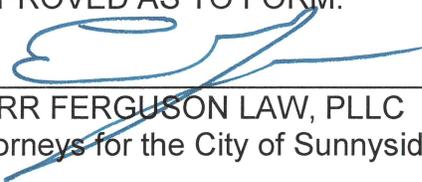
SECTION 1. That the donation of all artwork, stonework, and other improvements at the Jerry Taylor Veterans Memorial from the American Legion Post 73 is hereby accepted, a copy of the letter of donation and Resolution No. 2015-55 is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby approved; and the City Manager is hereby directed and authorized to accept all improvements and add such improvements to the City's insurance coverage.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect five (5) days after its approval, passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED this 13th day of July, 2020.


FRANCISCO GUERRERO, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JACQUELINE RENTERIA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KERR FERGUSON LAW, PLLC
Attorneys for the City of Sunnyside

Date of Publication: July 22, 2020

EXHIBIT "A"

RESOLUTION 2015 - 55

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, ACCEPTING
DONATION OF THE JERRY TAYLOR VETERAN'S MEMORIAL
TO INCLUDE ARTWORK, STONEMWORK AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyside has been working with the American Legion, Post 73 to build the Jerry Taylor Veteran's Memorial; and

WHEREAS, the memorial contains numerous items of value, including engraved granite stone walls, statutes, concrete work; and

WHEREAS, the Jerry Taylor Veteran's Memorial is located on City property; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion, Post 73 wishes to donate all of the artwork and improvements to the City of Sunnyside to ensure that these valuable assets are protected against loss and to ensure the continued success of this endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that approval of such donation is in the best interests of residents of the City of Sunnyside.

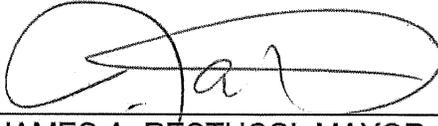
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the donation of all artwork, stonework, and other improvements at the Jerry Taylor Memorial from the American Legion Post 73 is hereby accepted, a copy of the letter of donation is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby approved; and the City Manager is hereby directed and authorized to accept all improvements and add such improvements to the city's insurance coverage.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall be effective upon passage, approval and signatures hereon in accordance with law.

EXHIBIT "A"

PASSED this 14th day of September, 2015.



JAMES A. RESTUCCI, MAYOR

ATTEST:



DELILAH SAENZ, CMC, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



KERR LAW GROUP, PLLC
Attorneys for the City of Sunnyside

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American Legion Post 73 Mustered in as a Veterans Post in Sunnyside in 1919

August 18, 2015

Mr. Don Day
Sunnyside City Manager
818 E. Edison Ave
Sunnyside, WA 98944

Dear Don,

In 2006 our American Legion Post began work on the **Jerry Taylor Veterans Plaza**. To date we have installed two small 5-ft X 5-ft grey granite walls at the north end of the Memorial, and five additional 8-ft tall granite walls along the length of the Memorial.

Thus, at this time our Post would like to hereby donate and bequeath to the City of Sunnyside all Granite Work, Statues, and any and all other Improvements currently existing, or that in the future will be installed at the **Jerry Taylor Veterans Plaza**.

Our Post will continue to work on the Veterans Plaza until all work is completed. Our plans call for a total of forty two (42) 8-ft tall granite walls to be installed, along with flagpoles and additional statues. As each Granite Wall, Statue or flagpole is installed, we hereby bequeath those features to the City of Sunnyside.

In looking back over the last few years the amount of improvements to the Veterans Memorial has been remarkable. Few people saw this coming. Thus, at this time I would like to thank the City for their generous support in helping make this dream come true. Allowing our veterans to have a small plaque on a grey granite wall may seem like a small thing to most people. But for the veteran, and their family members, it is a great honor to see their name engraved in stone in front of City Hall. And it is our hope that each plaque will bring back a renewed sense of pride for those individual veterans, and for those who seek it----- healing from the wounds of war.

Again, thank you.

Respectfully,



Greg Schlieve, Post Cmdr
American Legion Post 73
Sunnyside, WA 98944