## **RESOLUTION #336**

## JOINT REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF GREATER BATTLE GROUND LIBRARY CAPITAL FACILITY AREA

## Joint Request of the City of Battle Ground, the Town of Yacolt and Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

WHEREAS, library service to the residents of the City of Battle Ground (the "City") the Town of Yacolt (the "Town") and the residents of the areas of unincorporated Clark County surrounding the City and the Town is provided through a facility (the "Battle Ground Community Library") owned and operated by the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (the "Library District"); and

WHEREAS, the City, the Town, and the other areas served by the existing Battle Ground Community Library have experienced significant growth in the number of residents; and

WHEREAS, the growing population has resulted in increased usage of the Battle Ground Community Library; and

WHEREAS, the Battle Ground Community Library cannot accommodate the larger collection needs of the growing population and cannot accommodate the highly-automated information services required by technological advancements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City, the Town Council of the Town and the Board of Trustees of the Library District have determined that a new library facility is essential to the public welfare and the residents of the City, the Town and Clark County residents in the areas surrounding the City and the Town; and

WHEREAS, chapter 27.15 RCW permits, upon the request of the City, the Town and the Library District and the approval of the voters, the creation of a library capital facility area to construct and finance library capital facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Library District expects to enter into an appropriate interlocal agreement with the governing board of the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area that would assign responsibility to the Library District for designing and administering the remodel and expansion of the building at 606 NE 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Battle Ground, Washington, for use as a new library and would also assign the Library District responsibility for equipping and stocking the facility with books and other library materials; and

**WHEREAS,** the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area would be responsible for financing for the remodeling and expanding the building at 606 NE 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Battle Ground, Washington for use as a new library and for equipping and stocking the facility with books and other library materials; and

**WHEREAS**, the Library District will be responsible for operating and maintaining the library capital facility financed by the approved ballot proposition; and

WHEREAS, City, and the Town and the Library District have each, by resolutions attached hereto as Exhibit A, B and C, approved the establishment of the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area and the submittal of this joint request;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the City of Battle Ground, the Town of Yacolt and the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District request as follows:

1. <u>Joint Request.</u> The City, the Town and the Library District jointly request that the Clark County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to chapter 27.15 RCW, provide for establishing a library capital facility area to be know as the "Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area" and submit to the voters of the said area two ballot propositions at the next general election, which shall read substantially as follows:

<u>Proposition 1:</u> Shall the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area be established?

<u>Proposition 2:</u> Shall the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area, Clark County, Washington, incur indebtedness and issue not more than \$4.3 million of general obligation bonds maturing within 15 years and levy annual excess property taxes necessary to pay and retire such bonds to remodel and expand the building at 606 NE 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Battle Ground, Washington, a new library facility, and equip and stock with books and other library materials this facility?

- Boundaries of the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area The boundaries of the Greater Battle Ground Library Capital Facility Area shall be: North--Lake Merwin including Yale Dam. East--Northern section, NE Blevens Road; East of Yacolt to approximately 312<sup>th</sup> Avenue; Dole Valley Road; includes Larch Mountain Honor Camp. South--Camp Bonneville; 99<sup>th</sup> Street to 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue; Salmon Creek. West--I-5; 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North to the East Fork of Lewis River; follow Battle Ground School District boundaries to Lake Merwin.
- 3. <u>Costs.</u> The Library District shall pay the costs of submitting the two ballot propositions to the voters of the proposed area.

APPROVED this <u>2</u> day of <u>Ulqueb</u>, 1999.

CITY OF BATTLE GROUND

Mayor

City Clerk

TOWN OF YACOLT Mayor Town Clerk

FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES WHILL Chair Cha

Trustee

Trustee

Ayes Milman, Kaski, Messer, Robertson, Smith

Nayes None

Absent None