

ORDINANCE NO. 930

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING, ADOPTING THE MARCH 2001 CITY OF GIG HARBOR PARK, RECREATION, & OPEN SPACE PLAN, AS A STEP IN THE PROCESS FOR AMENDMENT OF THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS REQUIRED BY THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT, RCW 36.70A.070(6).

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor plans under the Growth Management Act (chapter 36.70A RCW); and

WHEREAS, the Act requires the City to adopt a Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that the Comprehensive Plan include a land use element, consisting of, in part, recreation and open spaces (RCW 36.70A.070); and

WHEREAS, the Act allows the Comprehensive Plan to include an optional recreation element (RCW 36.70A.080); and

WHEREAS, the City adopted its GMA Comprehensive Plan in 1986, later updated in 1994 (together with parks and recreation element); and

WHEREAS, the City last adopted a Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan in December 1996 (Ordinance No. 744); and

WHEREAS, the City engaged a consulting firm to aid in the formation of the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to provide public notice and public hearing for any amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and any elements thereto (RCW 36.70A.035, RCW 36.70A.130); and

WHEREAS, the City's SEPA Responsible Official issued a Determination of Non-Significance with regard to the proposed adoption of the March 2001 Park, Recreation,

& Open Space Plan on April 14, 2003, pursuant to WAC 197-11-340(2); and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Director forwarded a copy of the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan to the Washington State Office of Community Development on April 16, 2001, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106; and

WHEREAS, the City Community Development Director forwarded a copy of this Ordinance to the Washington State Office of Community Development on April 3, 2003, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.12.140, a copy of the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan has been on file in the office of the City Clerk for use and examination by the public; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2001 and May 14, 2001, the Gig Harbor City Council held public hearings to consider the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on this ordinance and the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan on May 12, 2003, during the regular City Council meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered the adoption of the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan during its regular City Council meeting on May 27, 2003;

Now, Therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan. The City Council hereby adopts the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan (Exhibit A hereto), by reference, as if the same were fully set forth herein.

Section 2. Subsequent Adoption as a Comprehensive Plan Element. The City Council acknowledges that the adoption of the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan does not amend the City's Comprehensive Plan. The City Council will consider the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan for adoption as an amendment to the City's Comprehensive Plan at the next annual Comprehensive Plan amendment hearing, and follow all required procedures for public notice, hearing and adoption at that time as well. The Community Development Director is directed to include the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan in the amendment process at that time.

Section 3. Transmittal to State. The City Community Development Director is directed to forward a copy of this Ordinance, together with a copy of the March 2001 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan, to the Washington State Office of Community Development within ten days of adoption, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106.

Section 4. Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the remainder to other persons or circumstances.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor

this 27th day of May, 2003.

CITY OF GIG HARBOR



MAYOR, GRETCHEN WILBERT

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

By: 

MOLLY TOWSLEE, CITY CLERK

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