

**RESOLUTION NO. 38373**



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A RESOLUTION relating to the update of the Shoreline Master Program; authorizing the adoption of the Shoreline Restoration Plan, in order to fulfill the requirements of Washington Administrative Code 173-26-201 by establishing goals, policies, and potential actions for the restoration of impaired shoreline ecological functions.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Growth Management Act, the Planning Commission ("Commission") has recommended changes to the Comprehensive Plan and the Land Use Regulatory Code to complete the update of the Shoreline Master Program, and

WHEREAS the Shoreline Management Act of 1971 ("SMA") requires local Shoreline Master Programs be updated to: (1) give priority to uses that require a shoreline location; (2) promote public access and enjoyment opportunities; and (3) protect the environmental resources of state shorelines, and

WHEREAS the 2003 Department of Ecology ("DOE") guidelines, codified in Chapter 173-26 of the Washington Administrative Code ("WAC"), include substantive, procedural, and process requirements to be followed by local jurisdictions in their comprehensive update to a shoreline master program, and require the update to be based on scientific and technical information to assure no net loss of shoreline ecological functions, and

WHEREAS WAC 173-26-201 (2) (c) & (f) and 173-26-251 (3) (b) require that the City develop a Restoration Plan that accomplishes the following:

- Identifies degraded areas, impaired ecological functions, and potential restoration sites;



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- Establishes restoration goals and priorities, including Shoreline Master Program goals and policies that provide for restoration of impaired ecological functions;
- Identifies existing restoration projects and programs;
- Identifies additional projects and programs needed to achieve local restoration goals, and implementation strategies including identifying prospective funding sources;
- Sets timelines and benchmarks for implementing restoration projects and programs; and
- Provides mechanisms or strategies to ensure that restoration projects and programs will be implemented according to plans and to appropriately review the effectiveness of the projects and programs in meeting the overall restoration goals, and

WHEREAS the SMA was amended to establish a timeline for local jurisdictions to adopt updated Shoreline Master Programs consistent with DOE guidelines, and the adoption deadline for the City is December 1, 2011, and

WHEREAS the City's update includes the development of the Shoreline Restoration Plan, one of five supporting studies or implementation documents to be adopted under separate legislative actions of the City Council, as required by DOE guidelines, as part of the adoption of the update to the Shoreline Master Program as a whole, and



1 WHEREAS the Commission held a public hearing on June 1, 2011 on a  
2 draft Shoreline Master Program and on associated draft supporting documents,  
3 including a draft Shoreline Restoration Plan, and

4 WHEREAS 41 citizens spoke at the public hearing and 52 written  
5 comments were submitted by the close of the comment period on June 10,  
6 2011, and after review of said testimony and comments, the Commission made  
7 modifications to the draft Shoreline Restoration Plan, and

8 WHEREAS the Shoreline Restoration Plan was developed under the  
9 direction of the Commission, and, as a required element of the Shoreline Master  
10 Program, identifies goals and objectives for restoration within the shoreline,  
11 potential restoration actions, existing and ongoing projects and programs, and a  
12 timeline and benchmarks for implementation, and

13 WHEREAS the Shoreline Restoration Plan is based on the most current,  
14 accurate, and complete scientific and technical information available, as  
15 required by Chapter 173-26 WAC, and, in association with the adoption of the  
16 proposed Tacoma Shoreline Master Program ("TSMP"), observes the goals of  
17 the SMA, and

18 WHEREAS the Commission has recommended changes to the  
19 Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code on August 17, 2011, and  
20 has conveyed the same to the City Council, in the form of the proposed TSMP,  
21 which will rescind and replace in its entirety the City's existing Master Program  
22 for Shoreline Development, and  
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WHEREAS the Commission found that the Shoreline Restoration Plan has been developed in fulfillment of WAC 173-26-251, and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2011, the City Council held a public hearing to receive public comments on the Commission's proposed TSMP; Now, Therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:**


Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to adopt, in association with the adoption of the Tacoma Shoreline Master Program, the Shoreline Restoration Plan, said document to be substantially in the form of the proposed implementation document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to submit the Shoreline Restoration Plan to the State of Washington Department of Ecology by December 1, 2011.

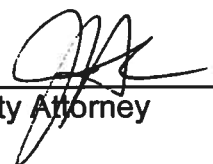
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Mayor

Attest:

  
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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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Deputy City Attorney