

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-05-036

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 2.90.010 AND 2.90.040 RELATING TO THE WATERSHED ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2000-09-058 in September 2000 and provided funding for land acquisition and land preservation measures in the Lake Whatcom Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Advisory Board established in Ordinance No. 2000-09-058 is a vital part of this land acquisition and land preservation process; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Watershed Advisory Board is to provide citizen input, advice, and oversight regarding the potential acquisition of land or land preservation measures of land within the Lake Whatcom Watershed;

WHEREAS, in order to better implement Ordinance No. 2000-09-058, Bellingham Municipal Code Chapter 2.90 should be amended as delineated herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. Section 2.90.010 of the Bellingham Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

2.90.010 **Watershed Advisory Board Authorized**

A. There is authorized a Watershed Advisory Board (the "Board") to provide citizen advice and oversight regarding potential land acquisition and preservation measures within the Lake Whatcom Watershed to protect and improve the quality of the City's water supply.

B. The Board shall consist of five (5) members appointed and removed by the Mayor, and shall serve terms as defined in Section 2.90.020 below. All members of the Board must be residents of the City of Bellingham, and City water system customers.

Section 2. Section 2.90.040 of the Bellingham Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

2.90.040 **Authority and Duties**

A. The Board shall advise the City regarding recommended land acquisition and land preservation measures. This specifically includes input and review of the process used to acquire property, as well as input regarding the ultimate disposition of property acquired by the City. In addition, the Board shall provide input to City staff regarding the system for reviewing properties in relation to other properties, to Lake Whatcom Watershed preservation goals, and to the best means of accomplishing protection.

B. The Board and City staff shall undertake their functions based upon consideration of the baseline criteria adopted by Joint Resolution of the City, Whatcom County, and Water District 10, as well as upon consideration of the City of Bellingham Overlay Criteria, adopted by the City Council. The Board

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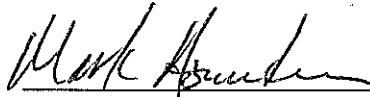
shall annually review the City of Bellingham Overlay Criteria and recommend amendments to the City Council as appropriate.

Section 3. Sections 2.90.020 and 2.90.030 shall remain unchanged.

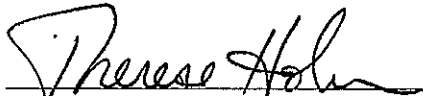
PASSED by Council this 21ST day of MAY, 2001.


Council President

APPROVED by me this 5th day of June, 2001.


Mayor

ATTEST:


Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Office of the City Attorney

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