ORDINANCE #2017-02-004

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON DISSOLVING THE PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD, REPEALING BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.28

WHEREAS, Bellingham Ordinance No. 10805, codified as Chapter 2.28 to the Bellingham Municipal Code, established a Public Works Advisory Board to advise the Mayor, City Council, and City staff of public works related issues; and

WHEREAS, Bellingham Ordinance No. 2009-11-071 removed the sunset date of the Public Works Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Bellingham Ordinance No. 2009-08-053 established a Transportation Commission, some of whose duties overlap with those of the Public Works Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Advisory Board has been convening only about half of its quarterly meetings due to a lack of necessary review items, the inability to establish a quorum, and the overlap of duties with the Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, maintaining a Public Works Advisory Board of seven members has become increasingly difficult, with only five positions filled at the present time; and

WHEREAS, establishing and maintaining a Public Works Advisory Board is not a requirement of Washington State law; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Advisory Board has been notified of this proposed dissolution and the current members contacted agree with this decision; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to dissolve the Public Works Advisory Board and repeal Chapter 2.28 of the Bellingham Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES HEREBY ORDAIN THAT:

Section 1. Bellingham Municipal Code Chapter 2.28 is hereby repealed.

Section 2. The Public Works Advisory Board is dissolved.

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PASSED by City Council this 27th day of February , 2017.
Council President
APPROVED by me this 8th day of March, 2017.
Mayor Pro Tempore, April Backer
ATTEST:
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the City Attorney
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