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RESOLUTION NO. 1206

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, APPROVING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLANS FOR THE 2009 PROCESSES RELATING TO THE SUSTAINABILITY ELEMENT AND CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN UPDATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted a general outline for public participation with regard to the adoption and amendment of its Comprehensive Plan elements, and,

WHEREAS, the staff has recommended a process relating to the 2009 amendments to the Sustainability Element and a Capital Facilities Plan update, and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Public Participation Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference as fully as if herein set forth, and

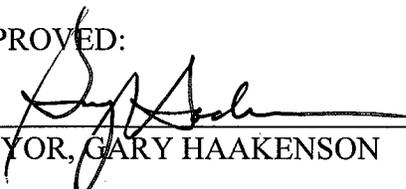
WHEREAS, the City Council finds the provisions to comply with its prior direction and the provisions of state law, Now Therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Public Participation Plan for the 2009 Comprehensive Plan amendments attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference as fully as if herein set forth, is hereby approved.

RESOLVED this 22nd day of September, 2009.

APPROVED:



MAYOR, GARY HAAKENSON

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 09/18/2009
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Exhibit A

2009 Comprehensive Plan Amendments Public Participation Plan

This Public Participation Plan covers the following plan amendments which are proposed for consideration and adoption in 2009:

- 2009 Sustainability Element
- 2009 Capital Facilities Plan Update

A. Public Participation Goal

It is the goal of the City of Edmonds to provide early and continuous public notice for the proposed comprehensive plan amendments in advance of all opportunities to comment on the proposals, and to allow those who express an interest in any of the amendments to be able to track their progress through the legislative decision process.

B. Timing of Amendments

In order to provide adequate time for public comment to be heard and responded to, and due to logistic considerations, the Edmonds Planning Board and City Council will hold separate hearings on each plan amendment proposal. However, the City Council will consider and adopt the amendments described here, along with those amendments subject to other adopted public participation process(es), at one public meeting, which will occur during the final quarter of 2009. All public meetings will be advertised according to methods and standards described in this participation plan.

C. Participation Methods

The City of Edmonds will use the following methods to provide early and ongoing public notice of the proposed amendments.

1. Publishing notice of public meetings (including public hearings) in the Everett Herald, a newspaper of general circulation within the City.
2. Advertising public meetings and hearings on the local public access television channel, Channel 21.
3. Placing notices in the City newsletter, which is available online via the City website.
4. Compiling a mailing list of all interested parties, and sending notices of meetings and hearings to all those on the mailing list. Two types of lists will be maintained: an email list, and a list of postal addresses. It is the choice of the individual as to which list they wish to be placed on.
5. Using the City's website (www.ci.edmonds.wa.us) to track progress, provide draft documents and plans, and provide information on how to comment or be added to a mailing list for the proposals.

D. Participation Standards

Information provided by the City of Edmonds as part of this public participation process will be designed to:

1. Use plain understandable language.
2. Provide broad dissemination of information regarding the proposals.
3. Provide early and continuous notification.
4. Provide opportunities for commenting in a variety of ways – verbally, in writing, and via email.

E. Formal Public Hearings

In addition to providing early and continuous information on the plan amendment proposals, the City of Edmonds will provide a formal adoption process with public hearings as follows:

1. The initial public hearing will take place with the Edmonds Planning Board. This is the first opportunity for formal public testimony on draft plan amendments. Public notice will be provided at least two weeks prior to the date of the hearing, via the methods described in Section B, above. Information on the documents and plans being considered will be available for free via the City's website, and printed documents may also be purchased at the cost of duplication, upon request. The Planning Board conclude its hearing(s) before making a recommendation to the City Council regarding the proposals.
2. The draft plan amendments will be considered in a public hearing before the City Council, along with the recommendations of the Planning Board. Public notice will be provided at least two weeks prior to the date of the hearing, via the methods described in Section B, above. Information on the documents and plans being considered will be available for free via the City's website, and printed documents may also be purchased at the cost of duplication, upon request.

F. Contact Information

Information on the 2009 Sustainability Element and 2009 Capital Facilities Plan Update can be obtained from:

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121 5th Avenue North
Edmonds, WA 98020

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<http://www.ci.edmonds.wa.us>