

RESOLUTION NO. 22 – 2012

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON APPROVING THE PROPOSED BURLINGTON SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM, AND DIRECTING THAT THE APPLICABLE SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM MATERIALS BE PROVIDED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY FOR ITS REVIEW.**

**WHEREAS**, the Washington Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58, referred to herein as "SMA") recognizes that shorelines are among the most valuable and fragile resources of the state, and that state and local government must establish a coordinated planning program to address the types and effects of development occurring along shorelines of state-wide significance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Burlington ("City") originally adopted the Skagit County Shoreline Master Program by reference to cover the very limited extent of shorelines in the City Limits, and following annexation of several miles of Skagit River Shoreline, is now required to adopt its own Shoreline Master Program ("SMP") pursuant to the SMA and WAC 173-26; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been extensive public participation with respect to the SMP adoption, including but not limited to the following: public meetings before the Burlington Planning Commission, community surveys, a public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington Planning Commission, after numerous study sessions and public meetings and hearings, recommended approval of the SMP at its May 16 meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the Burlington shoreline is unique, there is minimal substantive change with adoption of these regulations, and the City Council concludes that the SMP is consistent with and meets the Guidelines established under WAC Chapter 173.26; and

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington City Council concludes that the SMP is consistent with and implements Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58 and the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70); and

**WHEREAS**, the State Department of Ecology is authorized under the SMA to approve, deny or proposed modifications to the City's SMP; and,

**WHEREAS**, on February 28, 2011 the City's State Environmental Policy Act responsible official adopted existing environmental documents covering this proposed action; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Burlington wishes to express its intent to adopt the attached Burlington Shoreline Management Master Program upon approval by the state Department of Ecology; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The City Council hereby resolves to adopt the proposed City of Burlington Shoreline Master Program as set forth in Attachment A, which formal adoption shall take place upon the approval of the City's Shoreline Master Program by the state Department of Ecology.

Section 2. The City Council directs City staff to forward the appropriate SMP documents to the State Department of Ecology for formal review and approval.

**INTRODUCED, PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON** on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

Adopted this 13th day of September, 2012

  
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Steve Sexton, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Crystil Robinson, Finance Director

Approved as to form and legality:

  
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Scott G. Thomas, City Attorney

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