

ORDINANCE NO. 1191

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING, ADOPTING THE 2010 CITY OF GIG HARBOR PARK, RECREATION, & OPEN SPACE PLAN, TO RESTORE GRANT FUNDING ELIGIBILITY WITH THE STATE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City last adopted a Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan in May 2003 (Ordinance No. 930); and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) requires communities to update their plans every six years to maintain eligibility for certain grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the City's last plan expired in May 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City would like to be eligible to complete for State grants to support park, recreation and open space uses within the City; and

WHEREAS, RCO requires a new public involvement process as a part of a plan update; and

WHEREAS, the City utilized a variety of public involvement processes to update the plan including: two community intercepts, a public workshop, review of the National Citizen Survey, Gig Harbor WA 2008 results, and park commission review; and

WHEREAS, the City in 2008 engaged the public in the National Citizen Survey which collected data related to the City's park, recreation and open space needs; and

WHEREAS, in August 2008 approximately 40 members of the public were questioned about the City's park system during two separate community events; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2009 the City held a public workshop to gather public comment on the City's park system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor Parks Commission discussed the proposed plan update and public involvement at thirteen public meetings between September of 2008 and April of 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Park Commission recommended approval of the 2010 Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan with several revisions on April 7, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the May 21, 2010 draft Plan incorporates the changes requested by the Park Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City's SEPA Responsible Official issued a Determination of Non-Significance with regard to the proposed adoption of the 2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan on April 7, 2010, pursuant to WAC 197-11-340; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Director forwarded a copy of the 2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan to the Washington State Department of Commerce on April 7, 2010, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.12.140, a copy of the 2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan has been on file in the City Planning Department for use and examination by the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on this ordinance and the 2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan on June 14, 2010, during its regular City Council meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered the adoption of the 2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan during its regular City Council meeting on June 28, 2010; Now, Therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan. The City Council hereby adopts the 2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan draft dated May 21, 2010 by reference, (Exhibit A hereto), as if the same were fully set forth herein.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor, this 28th day of June, 2010.

CITY OF GIG HARBOR

Mayor Charles L. Hunter

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Molly M. Towslee, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the City Attorney

Angela S. Belbeck

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 06/08/10
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 06/28/10
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EXHIBIT 'A'

The City of Gig Harbor
2010 Park, Recreation, & Open Space Plan
dated May 21, 2010

Hard copy is on file with the City Clerk and
the Planning Department and can be
viewed during regular business hours at:

Gig Harbor Civic Center,
3510 Grandview Street, Gig Harbor, WA 98335

A copy of the Park Plan can also be viewed
or downloaded from the City's Website at:

<http://www.cityofgigharbor.net/page.php?id=695>