

RESOLUTION NO. 1009

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON,
RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION, DESIGNATING THE
W.P.A. PICNIC STRUCTURE AT CRESCENT CREEK PARK FOR
INCLUSION IN THE CITY'S REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES,
IMPOSING CONTROLS UPON THE W.P.A. PICNIC STRUCTURE
AT CRESCENT CREEK PARK, UNDER CHAPTER 17.97 OF THE
GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE.**

WHEREAS, The City of Gig Harbor is the owner of record of the parcel located at 3303 Vernhardson Street in Gig Harbor, Washington, Pierce County Assessor's parcel number 0222323018 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2015 The Public Works Director requested that the Property be added to the City's Registry of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Code, Chapter 17.97 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code, establishes a procedure for the designation and preservation of structures and areas having historical, cultural, architectural, archaeological engineering or geographic importance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to GHMC Section 17.97.040(B)(3), the Design Review Board of the City, at a public meeting on September 24, 2015, voted to recommend approval of the nomination of the structure described below as a historic landmark, transmitted its decision to the City Council for consideration, and recommended that the same be approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the property is an outstanding example of the City's cultural, artistic, social, architectural, and historic heritage; and

WHEREAS, such designation would safeguard the heritage of the City as represented by this site which reflects significant elements of the city's history to foster

civic and neighborhood pride in the beauty and accomplishments of the past; provide a sense of identity based on the city's history; stabilize and improve the aesthetic and economic viability of the site; enhance the City's attraction of tourists and visitors; and promote the use of the historic buildings for education and cultural stimulation; and

WHEREAS, in addition to adding the W.P.A. Picnic Structure to the local register, the DRB included in their recommendation that the City replace the existing exterior lights on the restrooms at Crescent Creek Park to be compliant with dark sky standards and be downward directional; and

WHEREAS, based upon said findings, the City Council believes that it would be in the best interest of the City to so designate the property described below as a historic landmark and place it on the Gig Harbor Register of Historic Places;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR:

Section 1. Designation. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 17.97 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code, the Council of the City of Gig Harbor hereby approves the designation of the following property as a historic landmark and places said property on the Gig Harbor Register of Historic Places:

W.P.A. PICNIC STRUCTURE AT CRESCENT CREEK PARK

The structure located at 3303 Vernhardson Street, Gig Harbor, Washington 98335, Assessor Parcel Number 0222323018 which includes which includes the interior and exterior of the barn structure as shown on attached Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein and legally described as:

Section 32 Township 22 Range 02 Quarter 34 : S 1/2 OF S 1/2 OF SE OF SW
LESS W 213 FT LESS E 400 FT EXC RDS

Situate in the City of Gig Harbor, County of Pierce, State of Washington;

based upon satisfaction of the following standards of GHMC 17.97.040, the property:

1. Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state or local history;
2. Embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style, or method of design or construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
5. Is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state or local history;

Section 2. Historic Registry (HR). The Planning Director is hereby instructed to effectuate the necessary changes to the Zoning Map of the City in accordance with the designation established by this resolution.

Section 3. Controls. A Certificate of Appropriateness must be obtained from the Design Review Board pursuant to GHMC Section 17.97.050 before the owners may make alterations or changes to the property.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor this 12th day of October, 2015.

CITY OF GIG HARBOR


JILL GUERNSEY, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


MOLLY TOWSLEE, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY


Angela G. Summerfield

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PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 10/12/15
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EXHIBIT A

