

RESOLUTION NO. 920

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING A VISION STATEMENT AND MAP FOR THE HARBOR AND DIRECTING THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO INCLUDE INCORPORATING THE VISION INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS PART OF THE 2013 ANNUAL AMENDMENT CYCLE.

WHEREAS, in March 2012, the City formed a Downtown Planning and Vision committee to develop a vision statement for downtown; and

WHEREAS, members of the committee conducted interviews with over 80 people to solicit input regarding downtown and its future; and

WHEREAS, the committee held a town hall meeting on June 27th, 2012 to ask the community: Where is downtown? What uses are needed downtown? What was their vision for downtown? and What is the downtown's historic character? Over 120 people attended the town hall meeting; and

WHEREAS, the committee spent the summer developing a draft vision statement and map which represented the public input; and

WHEREAS, based on public input, the scope of the visioning project was expanded to encompass "The Harbor," the residential and commercial areas around the bay from City Park at Crescent Creek to the old Ferry Landing; and

WHEREAS, on October 18th 2012, the committee held a second town hall meeting to present a draft vision statement and map of The Harbor. Over 60 people attended this second meeting; and

WHEREAS, the committee took the input from the town hall meetings, interviews and meetings with community groups, and refined the vision statement. On December 3rd, 2012, the committee forwarded its recommended Vision Statement and map to the Council for adoption; and

WHEREAS, on December 10th, 2012, the City Council held a public hearing and adopted The Harbor Vision Statement and map attached hereto as Exhibit A; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Harbor Vision – Adopted. The Gig Harbor City Council hereby adopts The Harbor Vision Statement and map attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. 2013 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle. The Planning Department is hereby directed to include incorporating the Vision Statement and map into the Comprehensive Plan and developing implementing policies as part of the 2013 Comprehensive Plan amendment cycle.

PASSED by the City Council this 10th day of December, 2012.

APPROVED:

Charles L. Hunter
Charles L. Hunter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Molly Towslee
Molly Towslee, City Clerk

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The Harbor

Shaped by our maritime heritage, the Harbor is a reflection of our past and the foundation for our future. The Harbor is:

- *A vibrant place where residents, visitors and boaters enjoy a walkable waterfront, picturesque views and the natural environment.*
- *A place that celebrates and perpetuates the character and traditions of a working waterfront and preserves historic neighborhoods.*
- *A place that supports and values local retail shops and services.*
- *A place that provides services for recreational and commercial boating.*

The Harbor is a place where people live, work, play, shop and explore.

