



RESOLUTION NO. 38734

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the update of the Shoreline Master Program;
2 responding to the Department of Ecology's conditional approval, accepting
3 the majority of the Department's required and recommended changes, and
4 proposing an alternative intent statement for the proposed S-6/7 Transition
5 District.

6 WHEREAS the Shoreline Management Act of 1971 ("SMA") requires local
7 Master Programs to meet three basic policies: (a) give priority to uses that require
8 a shoreline location, (b) promote public access and enjoyment opportunities, and
9 (c) protect the environmental resources of state shorelines, and

10 WHEREAS the Department of Ecology (the "Department") guidelines,
11 codified in Washington Administrative Code 173-26, are to be used and followed
12 by local jurisdictions in the comprehensive update to local Master Programs, and
13 include substantive, procedural, and process requirements, and

14 WHEREAS the SMA was amended to establish a timeline for local
15 jurisdictions to adopt an updated Master Program consistent with the guidelines,
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17 WHEREAS the City was required to submit an updated Master Program to
18 the Department by December 1, 2011, and

19 WHEREAS the City submitted its proposed updated Master Program to the
20 Department in November 2011, and

21 WHEREAS after receiving comments, conducting its review, and completing
22 additional process, the Department issued its conditional approval of the City's
23 proposed updated Master Program on August 19, 2013, and
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1 WHEREAS the conditional approval includes both required and
2 recommended changes, and

3 WHEREAS the required changes must either be accepted by the City, or
4 the City must propose alternatives that are acceptable to the Department prior to
5 the updated Master Program being put into effect, and

6 WHEREAS the required changes include several limited amendments to
7 use allowances and development standards for aquaculture, amendments to
8 specific definitions to bring them into alignment with the Washington Administrative
9 Code, and amendments to the S-9 Puyallup River Shoreline District and the
10 S-6/7 Schuster Parkway Transition Shoreline District, and
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12 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 90.58.090, the City has until September 18,
13 2013, to either accept the required changes or propose alternatives, and

14 WHEREAS the City Council is prepared to accept all required and
15 recommended changes, with the exception of the Department's required change to
16 the intent statement for the S-6/7 Transition District, for which the City Council is
17 herein proposing an alternative; Now, Therefore,

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19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

20 Section 1. That, with the exception of the Department of Ecology's
21 ("Department") required change to the intent statement for the S-6/7 Transition
22 District, the City Council hereby accepts all recommended and required changes
23 contained in the Department's conditional acceptance of the City's proposed
24 updated Shoreline Master Program dated August 19, 2013.
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Section 2. That the City Council hereby proposes an alternative intent statement for the S-6/7 Transition District, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," for the Department's review and consideration pursuant to RCW 90.58.090.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney



Exhibit "A"



TACOMA SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM

PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE S-6/7 DISTRICT INTENT LANGUAGE

September 12, 2013

These amendments show all of the changes to the Department of Ecology's proposed intent statement for the S-6/7 Schuster Parkway Transition Shoreline District, as provided in Ecology's Conditional Approval of the Tacoma Shoreline Master Program.

New text is underlined and text that is deleted is shown in ~~strikethrough~~.

CHAPTER 9 DISTRICT-SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

9.8 S-6/7 Schuster Parkway Transition (UC)

A. The intent of the S-6/7 Schuster Parkway Transition Shoreline District is to recognize that ~~current~~ trends in the character and use of the area have focused on shoreline restoration and environmental clean-up, open space, and public ~~access~~ recreation and that these trends are expected and encouraged to continue over time; to conditionally allow for low intensity port/industrial uses associated with the natural deep water that are demonstrably compatible with the ~~directly~~ adjacent residential areas, business district, schools, recreation and park properties; and to encourage the continued transition to low intensity water-oriented commercial, recreational, and open space ~~development activities. Considerations for determining compatibility should include an evaluation of, at a minimum, possible view impacts, noise, light, emissions, and interference with the public use of public shorelines and the long term vision for enhanced public access.~~ Any development within the District must contribute to the extension of public access from the Ruston Way Shoreline District ~~to a Schuster Parkway access trail system.~~ promenade to the Thea Foss Waterway esplanade.