

ORDINANCE NO. 2880

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ANACORTES, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE CITY OF ANACORTES 2010 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Washington State Growth Management Act (“GMA” or “Act”), Chapter 36.70A RCW, as amended, requires cities to consider changes in the Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations as one set of changes and to do so annually;

WHEREAS, the comprehensive plan and development regulation amendment procedures contained in this ordinance are consistent with the City’s and Revised Code of Washington’s procedural guidelines for amendments to the City’s comprehensive plan and development regulations;

WHEREAS, this amendment process is consistent with the City’s Comprehensive Plan Appendix F – Administrative Procedures for Comprehensive Plan Amendments of Revision;

WHEREAS, the City has received proposed changes from citizens and agencies (including the City);

WHEREAS, this change has been the subject of a public hearing on March 14, 2012 before the Planning Commission and May 7, 2012 before the City Council and subject to SEPA review;

WHEREAS, all persons desiring to comment on the proposed amendment were given full and complete opportunity to be heard;

WHEREAS, notice of the possible adoption of this change has been provided to the State of Washington pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106;

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City to amend the existing development regulations as contained in this ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANACORTES, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN THAT:

Section 1. City of Anacortes 2010 Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended by renumbering the existing Goal 6 (Off-Street Parking) to become Goal 7 and by the addition of a new Goal 6 and four new policies, to read as follows:

“**Goal 6:** Encourage a physically active community by allowing people of all ages to incorporate physical activity into their daily lives by walking, bicycling, exercising and using public transit as a part of everyday living.

Policy:

- (a) Enhance and/or expand existing non-motorized connectivity, access and corridors to support daily activities in work, commerce, education and recreation. Incorporate the needs of people of all ages in planning and increase opportunities for non-motorized transportation.
- (b) Adopt Complete Streets design guidelines and standards to enhance the most beneficial corridors and modes, and when planning for parks, open space, commercial development and public facilities.
- (c) Educate and encourage people of all ages on the benefits and ease of incorporating physical activity into their daily lives in Anacortes. Emphasize improvements and features that benefit seniors near retirement communities as well as children near schools and gathering places.
- (d) Seek innovative funding opportunities, such as grant program applications using assistance from local community groups, set-asides of funding for non-motorized transportation improvements, and campaigns for special projects.”

Section 2. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is judged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall take effect from and after five (5) days after its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anacortes City Council this 21st day of May 2012.

CITY OF ANACORTES



H. Dean Maxwell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Steve D. Hoglund, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: 

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