

ORDINANCE NO. 3412

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, WASHINGTON adopting by reference a revised Parks and Recreation Element (Chapter 4) of the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan.

WHEREAS, the requisite public hearings before the Planning Commission on June 3 and June 17, 2008, were preceded with appropriate notice, published on May 6 and June 3, 2008; and, the requisite City Council hearing of July 9, 2008 was preceded with appropriate notice also published on June 25, 2008; and,

WHEREAS, the requisite notice of adoption of the proposed amendments has been duly transmitted in compliance with RCW 36.70A.106 (1); and,

WHEREAS, the amendments to the Parks and Recreation Element provide for consistency with State and County development regulations; and,

WHEREAS, a SEPA Threshold Determination of Non-significance, non-project action, was published on May 5, 2008; and,

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan has consistently been maintained in compliance with the Growth Management Act as amended since the initial adoption in 1995. The revisions of the updated Parks and Recreation Element are also consistent with the requirements of the Growth Management Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon City Council has reviewed the proposed update to the Parks and Recreation Element of the Comprehensive Plan as contained in Exhibit A, and the recommendation and findings of the Planning Commission; and,

WHEREAS the City Council finds that the attached revised Parks and Recreation Element of the Comprehensive Plan reflects the best interests of the citizens of the City of Mount Vernon, Washington, and reflects the desires of the public; and,

WHEREAS, the requirements for public participation in the development of this amendment as required by the State Growth Management Act (GMA) and by the provisions of City of Mount Vernon Resolution No. 491 have all been met; and,

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNT VERNON, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Findings of Fact.

The Mount Vernon City Council makes the following findings:

- A. The City has followed SEPA requirements and those requirements for public participation required by the Growth Management Act (GMA) and adopted by the City of Mount Vernon Resolution No. 491.
- B. The amendments comply with the GMA and are consistent with the State's planning goals.
- C. The proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan ensure that the City's Comprehensive Plan is internally consistent and is also consistent with the City's development regulations.

SECTION 2. The City Council adopts the Planning Commission's findings of fact and conclusions of law in their entirety.

SECTION 3. Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference is hereby adopted as the 2008 update to the Parks and Recreation Element of the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan and shall be included as Chapter 4 within the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Mount Vernon.

SECTION 4. In the event any term or condition of this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other terms, conditions, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid term, condition, or application. To this end, the terms and conditions of this ordinance are declared severable.

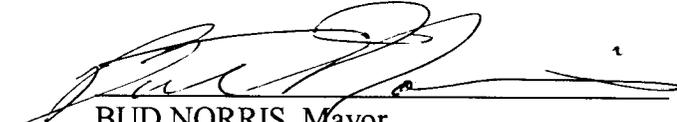
SECTION 5. City staff are hereby directed to complete preparation of the final 2008 update to the Parks and Recreation Element, including correction of any typographical or editorial edits or revisions to maps.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of July, 2008.

SIGNED AND APPROVED THIS 16th day of July, 2008


ALICIA D. HUSCHKA, Finance Director


BUD NORRIS, Mayor

Approved as to form:


KEVIN ROGERSON, City Attorney

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EXHIBIT A

Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan

The Mount Vernon City Council adopted Ordinance 3412 on July 16, 2008. An ordinance of the City of Mount Vernon, Washington, adopting by reference a revised Parks and Recreation Element (Chapter 4) of the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan. Anyone wishing to view or receive the ordinance in its entirety should contact the Mount Vernon Finance Office, 910 Cleveland, Mount Vernon WA 98273.

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