RESOLUTION NO. 2011-08

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE TOWN OF BUCODA PROPOSED SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM UPDATE PACKAGE AND SUBMITTAL TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY.

WHEREAS, the state of Washington Shoreline Management Act (Chapter 90.58 RCW) finds that shorelines of the state are among the most valuable and fragile of our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Management Act requires that local governments prepare and the state to adopt Shoreline Master Programs (SMPs) for designated shorelines of the state; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bucoda (Town) adopted a regional Master Program along with six other local jurisdictions in 1976, and subsequently adopted an amendment in 1984 with Ordinance 103; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) adopted the Shoreline Master Program for the Thurston Region dated November 13, 1989) for the Town on May 15, 1990; and

WHEREAS, the Town is one of seven local governments in Thurston County that currently relies upon the policies and regulations found within the 1990 regional Master Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town adopted its Growth Management Act (GMA) Comprehensive Plan in 2004, the Critical Area Regulations in 2005, and the Zoning Code in 2011. As a result, the existing Master Program does not fit well with these newer plans and regulations; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 Ecology adopted new SMP guidelines (WAC 173-26) which require that all local jurisdictions review and update their Shoreline Master Programs; and

WHEREAS, Ecology is required to review and adopt those local Master Programs which meet the guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Ecology provided a grant to Thurston Regional Planning Council to undertake the SMP update for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Bucoda Planning Commission began its review of the Town’s Shoreline Master Program update process on November 16, 2009, and completed its review on November 21, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Bucoda Planning Commission reviewed and commented on draft documents for the Town, which are reflect in final shoreline related reports listed below:

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October 31, 2011
• Final Shoreline Inventory and Characterization - June 2011,
• Proposed Shoreline Master Program - July 2011,
• Final Shoreline Cumulative Impact Analysis - August 2011,
• Final Shoreline Restoration Plan - August 2011; and

WHEREAS, a summary of these documents was prepared for the public hearing and review process entitled ‘Town of Bucoda Shoreline Master Program Update - Four Parts in One Package’; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed SMP recognizes private property rights and is intended to be consistent with other adopted land use regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed SMP is compatible with the Town’s adopted land use designations, policies and goals contained within its Comprehensive Plan and its development regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Commerce (Commerce) requires a 60-Day notification of a Development Regulation required under the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A.106). Said notification was provided to Commerce on August 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) requires the submission of an environmental checklist for the Proposed Shoreline Master Program – July 2011. The Town’s SEPA responsible official issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) on September 7, 2011 and submitted these to Ecology; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing Notice was posted in The Tenino Independent newspaper on September 7, 2011, and said meeting notice was placed on the Town reader board the week prior to the meeting; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Proposed Shoreline Master Program update package was held before the Bucoda Town Council with the Bucoda Planning Commission on September 27, 2011; and

WHEREAS, there were no oral or written comments from the public at this hearing; and

WHEREAS, Ecology provided a preliminary comment letter on October 3, 2011 and a final comment letter dated October 17, 2011 regarding suggested technical edits and minor corrections to the Proposed Shoreline Master Program; and

WHEREAS, a responsiveness summary was prepared regarding Ecology’s suggested technical edits and minor corrections which was reviewed by the Bucoda Planning Commission on November 21, 2011; and
WHEREAS, the Planning Commission evaluated each comment and directed staff to revise the Proposed Shoreline Master Program to reflect their actions. They then recommended that the Proposed Shoreline Master Program, as amended, be forwarded to Bucoda Town Council for their consideration and action; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BUCODA, WASHINGTON, accepts the Proposed Shoreline Master Program dated November 2011 and its associated documents as the “Town of Bucoda SMP Update Package” and directs that said package be submitted to the Washington State Department of Ecology for approval prior to formal adoption by the Town Council.


TOWN COUNCIL

By

Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk

Approved as to form: