RESOLUTION #2012-387

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ENTIAT, WASHINGTON EXPRESSING THE INTENT TO ADOPT AN UPDATE OF THE SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THIS PROPOSED SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM UPDATE TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

WHEREAS, the State of Washington (90.58 RCW) has mandated that the City of Entiat update the Entiat Shoreline Master Plan (SMP);

WHEREAS, the update of the Entiat SMP has been complex: the State has published 288 pages of laws, rules and guidance governing the process and substance of this update;

WHEREAS, the update of the Entiat SMP has been contentious: sharply focusing the divide between the values of environmental advocates and the values of advocates for private property rights;

WHEREAS, the City’s proposed SMP must be approved by the State Department of Ecology (DOE);

WHEREAS, before approval, the Director of DOE must formally conclude that the proposed SMP, when implemented over its planning horizon, typically 20 years, will result in “no net loss of ecological functions necessary to sustain shoreline natural functions”;

WHEREAS, the City held several public meetings on the Shoreline Master Program update over the past four years, including a Planning Commission hearing on July 9, 2012, a public workshop on August 28, 2012, and a final public hearing before the City Council on September 13, 2012;

WHEREAS, the City issued a Notice of Application and “Determination of Non-Significance” DNS along with a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist on July 9, 2012;

WHEREAS, the Entiat Planning Commission has conducted extensive and careful review and analysis of the most current, accurate and complete scientific information available regarding the
shorelines of Lake Entiat and the Entiat River, within the shoreline jurisdiction of Entiat, and has concluded that the proposed SMP, when implemented over the next 20 years, will result in no net loss of these ecological functions;

WHEREAS, the Entiat Planning Commission has intentionally coordinated the integration of the proposed update within Entiat’s regulatory structure, and finds it to be complimentary to other Federal and State rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, the Entiat Planning Commission believes that the proposed SMP meets the needs of the community by balancing the protection of the environment with the protection of private property rights;

WHEREAS, the Entiat Planning Commission has recommended adoption of the proposed SMP update to Entiat City Council; and

WHEREAS, The Entiat City Council has carefully considered the information in the record, and conducted a public hearing on September 13, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Entiat City Council agrees with Planning Commission’s recommendation for adoption of the proposed SMP update.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ENTIAT, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Statement of Intent to Adopt the Entiat Shoreline Master Program Update
The Entiat City Council intends to adopt Attachment A upon approval from the Washington State Department of Ecology.

Section 2: Authorization to Submit the Entiat Shoreline Master Program Update to the Washington State Department of Ecology
The City Planner is hereby authorized to submit the Entiat Shoreline Master Program Update (including this Resolution and all other required submittal documents) to the Washington State Department of Ecology for approval.


CITY OF ENTIAT

Keith Vradenburg, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ron Hupp, City Clerk-Treasurer