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Ordinance 801

An ordinance amending portions of Clallam County Code
Chapter 31.03, Sequim-Dungeness Regional Plan

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF CLALLAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Section 1. Section .110, Public facilities and services – Inventory and analysis, paragraphs (3) and (7) are amended to read as follows:

(3) Definition. The Growth Management Act defines “public facilities” as streets, roads, highways, sidewalks, trails, street and road lighting systems, traffic signals, domestic water systems, storm and sanitary sewer systems, parks and recreation facilities, and schools. “Public services” include fire protection and suppression, law enforcement, public health, education, recreation, environmental protection, and other governmental services.

(7) Parks and Recreation. Clallam County has several parks and recreation facilities within the Sequim-Dungeness planning area, including the Dungeness Recreation Area, Cline Spit, Port Williams, ~~and Panorama Vista, and Dungeness Landing.~~ The Sequim-Dungeness Park and Recreation District is a local district with similar service boundaries to this planning area. The District operates the Sequim Aquatic Center, ~~and the Railroad Bridge Park, although the latter is planned to be turned over to the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe~~ manages Railroad Bridge Park, and the Rainshadow Science Foundation. The Port of Port Angeles owns and operates John Wayne Marina ~~and Dungeness Boat Launch.~~ State parks in the area include Sequim Bay State Park and the planned Miller Peninsula State Park. The planning area also includes the Olympic National Park and Olympic National Forest, ~~both of~~ which have numerous recreation sites. Private recreation opportunities in the area include Dungeness, Skyridge, and Sunland golf courses, although Sunland is now private. There is a demand for new golf courses with public access and trails linking the Olympic Discovery Trail (ODT) with these facilities.

Section 2. Section .120, Public facilities and services – Policies, paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

(1) Parks and Recreation.

(a) ~~{Policy No. 1}~~, Identify and provide for increased recreational and public access opportunities to natural resource lands and water where appropriate.

(i) Encourage further development of saltwater access points for recreation, such as trails, boating, and passive uses.

(ii) Encourage further development of public access to freshwater areas, particularly the Dungeness River.

(iii) Existing managed public access to public forest lands for recreation should be maintained.

(iv) Encourage final development of the Olympic Discovery Trail and links from it to other parks and recreation facilities and schools.

(b) ~~{Policy No. 2}~~. That portion of the Clallam County Parks and Recreation Plan, as now or hereafter amended, which relates to the Sequim-Dungeness region is hereby adopted as part of this Plan.

(c) ~~{Policy No. 3}~~. Parks and recreation facilities necessary to support development shall be adequate to serve the development as identified in the County Capital Facilities Plan, as now or hereafter amended.

Section 3. Section .130, Transportation – Inventory and analysis, paragraphs (1) and (8) are amended to read as follows:

(1) GMA Goals. Encourage efficient multimodal transportation systems such as trails that are based on regional priorities and coordinated with County and city comprehensive plans.

Ensure that those public facilities and services necessary to support development shall be adequate to serve the development at the time the development is available for occupancy and use without decreasing current service levels below locally established minimum standards.

(8) Alternative Solutions. Solutions to transportation deficiencies may include incentives to change patterns of transportation behavior, such as car pooling rather than single occupancy vehicles, and enhancements to alternative modes of transportation that would be efficient and less costly to maintain, such as transit, ~~or~~ bicycle lanes, and trails.

Section 4. Section .140, Transportation policies, paragraphs (1)(f), (2)(b)(i), and (5) are amended to read as follows:

(1) ~~Highway 101. [Policy No. 1].~~ Preserve and enhance the Highway 101 corridor for regional mobility of goods, services and passengers.

(f) Pedestrian facilities (sidewalks or paths) should be planned along the Highway 101 corridor through Carlsborg and Sequim with connections to the Olympic Discovery Trail.

(2) Rural and Urban Roads.

(b) ~~[Policy No. 3].~~ Improve circulation patterns around the City of Sequim.

(i) Improvements to access Highway 101 from the area north of Sequim should be made, including increasing the capacity of Port Williams to Brown Road, and Hendrickson to Priest Road with shoulders sufficient for bicycles and connection to the Olympic Discovery Trail.

(5) ~~Bicycle Routes. [Policy No. 12].~~ The following are the designated bicycle routes. All roads on a designated bicycle route should have a minimum improved shoulder width of ~~three (3)~~ to five (5) feet, depending on the speed limit of the road.

- Highway 101
- Old Olympic Highway
- Port Williams Road (from Sequim-Dungeness to Brown Road)
- Brown Road
- West Sequim Bay Road
- Old Blyn Highway
- Sequim-Dungeness Way
- Lotzgesell Road
- Kitchen-Dick Road
- Diamond Point Road

Section 5. Section .180, Economic development – Policies, paragraph (7) is amended to read as follows:

(7) Recreational developments which provide attractions to tourists and citizens in the area should be encouraged. Examples of appropriate developments would include golf courses, shoreline access, parks, trails, and destination resorts. Existing tourist attractions, including the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge, the Olympic Discovery Trail, and Cline Spit, should be maintained for public access and enjoyment.

Section 6. Section .190, Open space and the environment – Inventory and analysis, paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

(1) GMA Goals. Maintain and enhance natural resource-based industries, including productive timber, agricultural, and fisheries industries. Encourage the conservation of productive forest lands and productive agricultural lands, and discourage incompatible uses.

Encourage the retention of open space and development of recreational opportunities such as the Olympic Discovery Trail, conserve fish and wildlife habitat, increase access to natural resource lands and water, and develop parks with links to the Olympic Discovery Trail.

Protect the environment and enhance the State's high quality of life, including air and water quality, and the availability of water

Section 7. Section .195, Open space and the environment – Conservation policies, paragraph (1)(d) and paragraph (2) are amended to read as follows:

(1) General. [~~Policy No. 1~~]. Conserve and protect the environmental attributes of the Sequim-Dungeness region that characterize the quality of life for residents of both the area and the State of Washington.

(d) Support development of the Miller Peninsula State Park, balancing between maintaining the environmental attributes of the site and surrounding properties with the need for active recreational opportunities, developing connecting links to the Olympic Discovery Trail for non-motorized access.

(2) Corridors. [~~Policy No. 2~~]. Encourage the maintenance and enhancement of open space corridors, greenbelts and greenways, and non-motorized trails in the Valley.

(a) In forested areas such as Diamond Point, limit the number of access points to County roads in order to maintain a greenbelt along the road.

(b) Encourage the beautification of development along the Highway 101 corridor through landscape guidelines and through the control of signage, including the prohibition of billboard construction and the eventual removal.

(c) Designate open space corridors that provide linkages for wildlife and fisheries and protect these corridors through education, enhancement and regulations. See Figure 8 for designated habitat corridors.

(d) Conserve and enhance the Dungeness River as a greenway corridor for the benefit of fish, wildlife, flood protection, people and open space.

(e) Conserve the corridors of Siebert's Creek, McDonnell Creek, Cassalery Creek, Bell Creek, Johnson Creek, Jimmycomelately Creek, Gierin Creek, Matriotti Creek, Meadowbrook Creek, and Cooper Creek for the benefit of fish and wildlife.

(f) Encourage further development of non-motorized trails to link natural resource land and water to the Olympic Discovery Trail.

Section 8. Section .220, Agricultural land – Inventory and analysis, paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

(1) GMA Goals. Maintain and enhance natural resource-based industries, including productive timber, agricultural, and fisheries industries. Encourage the conservation of productive forest lands and productive agricultural lands, and discourage incompatible uses.

Reduce the inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land into sprawling, low-density development.

Encourage the retention of open space and development of recreational opportunities such as non-motorized trails, conserve fish and wildlife habitat; increase access to natural resource lands and water, such as non-motorized trails; and develop parks.

Private property shall not be taken for public use without just compensation having been made. The property rights of landowners shall be protected from arbitrary and discriminatory actions

Section 9. Section .240, Forest land – Inventory and analysis, paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

(1) GMA Goals. Maintain and enhance natural resource-based industries, including productive timber, agricultural, and fisheries industries. Encourage the conservation of productive forest lands and productive agricultural lands, and discourage incompatible uses.

Reduce the inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land into sprawling, low-density development.

Encourage the retention of open space and development of recreational opportunities such as non-motorized trails, conserve fish and wildlife habitat, increase access to natural resource lands and water, such as non-motorized trails, and develop parks

Section 10. Section .260, Rural land – Inventory and analysis, paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

(1) GMA Goals. Reduce the inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land into sprawling, low-density development.

Encourage the retention of open space and development of recreational opportunities such as non-motorized trails, conserve fish and wildlife habitat, increase access to natural resource lands and water, and develop parks.

Protect the environment and enhance the State's high quality of life, including air and water quality, and the availability of water.

Identify and encourage the preservation of lands, sites, and structures, that have historical or archaeological significance

Section 11. Section .270, Rural land – Policies, paragraph (3)(a)(i) and paragraph (9) are amended to read as follows:

(3) Rural Commercial. [~~Policy No. 3~~]. The continued development of areas currently designated for commercial use outside urban growth areas or rural centers should be allowed, except where the proposed use is clearly inappropriate due to conflicts with adjacent uses. Development of these areas ~~are~~ is subject to the following standards:

(a) Land uses allowed should be limited to the following types of activities:

(i) Tourist-related commercial activities, such as gift and antique shops; restaurants; motels; small, limited campground services along the Olympic Discovery Trail for long-distance bicyclists and hikers; and gas stations.

(9) Recreation. [~~Policy No. 10~~]. Standards shall be set for recreational uses in rural areas, including recreational vehicle parks, limited camping facilities along non-motorized trails such as the Olympic Discovery Trail, and commercial outdoor oriented activities:

(a) Standards for buffering and landscaping to ensure compatibility with surrounding rural land uses shall be accomplished;

(b) Standards for noise, traffic, light and glare, and other nuisance characteristics;

(c) Such uses shall be located on a minimum parcel size of five (5) acres.

Section 12. Section .320, Diamond Point/Sunshine Acres rural center, paragraph (5)(d) is amended to read as follows:

(5) Transportation.

(d) [~~Policy No. 10~~]. Diamond Point Road has inadequate shoulders for bicycling and walking. Improvements should be made for non-motorized transportation linking the Diamond Point area to the Olympic Discovery Trail.

Section 13. Section .350, Carlsborg urban growth area, paragraph (1)(g) is amended to read as follows:

(g) ~~{Policy No. 7}~~. Non-motorized transportation and pedestrian usage will be enhanced by installing sidewalks and paths throughout the UGA within walking distance of Greywolf School, ~~and~~ along Highway 101, and major arterial and collector roads including along Carlsborg Road/Hooker Roads, Atterbury Road, Taylor-Cut-off Road, Mill Road, Heath Road, East Runnion Road, Spath Road, and alongside Matriotti Creek with connections to the Olympic Discovery Trail, and with linkages to regional trails, residential areas and the Village Center through the implementation of a sidewalk/trail plan.

Section 14. Section .435, Blyn rural center, paragraph (6)(a) is amended to read as follows:

(6) Land Use.

(a) ~~{Policy No. 6}~~. The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe ~~will begin~~ began a casino operation at Blyn in 1995. This operation will have a profound effect on the future of this area, including increased traffic and increased desire for other services (such as restaurants, lodging and gas stations). The Tribe has been careful in its development plans to address issues facing the community. Since local government has no regulatory authority of tribal land use, it is best that the community work together with the Tribe to address any concerns. Some issues that the Tribe and community have been working together on include: routing the Olympic Discovery Trail across Tribal land, the proposed inclusion of the salt marsh observation deck and natural resources interpretive center, providing signage describing the historical significance of the previous logging yard, and monitoring of environmental rehabilitation of the Jimmycomelately Creek and estuary.

Section 15. Section .455, Sequim – West Neighborhood, paragraph (4)(a) is amended to read as follows:

(4) Transportation.

(a) ~~{Policy No. 5}~~. This neighborhood includes several circulation systems ~~which that~~ are critical to the regional ability to move people and goods, including Highway 101, River Road, Priest Road, Hendrickson Road, and Old Olympic Highway. In addition, the abandoned railroad corridor (Railroad Bridge Park) provides a non-motorized link to the Olympic Discovery Trail from Carlsborg to Sequim, and public transit uses these principal routes.

Section 16. Section .465, Dungeness-Jamestown neighborhood, paragraph (4)(b) is amended to read as follows:

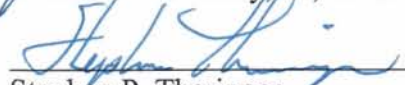
(4) Transportation.

(b) ~~{Policy No. 9}~~. Designated bicycle routes in this area include Old Olympic Highway, Port Williams Road, and Brown Road. Connectors to the Olympic Discovery Trail such as along Sequim-Dungeness Way, Woodcock Road, Evans Road, and Towne Road should be developed.

ADOPTED this nineteenth day of December 2006

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