CITY OF SAMMAMISH
WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. O2003-130

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Sammamish incorporated on August 30th, 1999; and

WHEREAS, greater local control of land use and transportation planning decisions were principal factors that lead to the incorporation of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to adopt a Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the provisions of RCW 36.70A.040; and

WHEREAS, the City established a Planning Advisory Board (PAB) in July of 2000 consisting of 17 local citizens to guide the comprehensive planning process; and

WHEREAS, the PAB sponsored a minimum of sixty-five public meetings, including four open houses, workshops and hearings; and

WHEREAS, two community surveys were conducted to obtain citizen input; and

WHEREAS, the draft Comprehensive Plan recommended by the PAB was made available to the public on February 10th, 2003; and

WHEREAS, following the publication of the draft Comprehensive Plan, the City Council conducted three public hearings as well as providing opportunity for citizen comments at the outset of every regular City Council meeting; and

WHEREAS, all public comments were considered as a Final Comprehensive Plan was prepared; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted six study sessions to fully consider the recommendations of the Planning Advisory Board and the public comments received; and

WHEREAS, the City distributed a copy of the Draft PAB Recommended Plan to State agencies and neighboring jurisdictions, affording them a 60-day review and comment period; and

WHEREAS, an environmental review was conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act, with a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) prepared, published and issued on September 5, 2003; and
WHEREAS, the City has carefully considered the public and agency comments received in formulating the final plan; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan includes a Vision Statement, adopted in July, 2000, that describes the desired future for the community in the year 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan addresses the required elements under Chapter 36.70A.070; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan includes a series of Goals, Objectives and Policies for each element of the plan; and

WHEREAS, per the Vision Statement, the Comprehensive Plan is intended to:

- Maintain a small-town atmosphere and suburban character so that new development will complement Sammamish’s existing character as well as allow for diversity and creativity;
- Provide a family friendly, kid safe community;
- Encourage community gathering spaces which invite human presence, arouse curiosity, peak interest and allow for the interaction of people;
- Establish a unique sense of place for visitors and residents;
- Respect the character and integrity of existing neighborhoods;
- Preserve trees and green ways by encouraging the preservation or development of large areas of greenery which provide a visual impact as opposed to creating small areas of unusable residue;
- Protect and enhance streams, wetlands and wildlife corridors;
- Maintain a harmonious relationship between the natural environment and future urban development;
- Create a safe and interesting network of trails for hiking, biking and horseback riding;
- Establish a park and recreation system that meets the high standards of the community;
- Provide accessible, quality government service and encourage active, involved citizens;
- Develop civic and cultural opportunities and experiences.

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that the Comprehensive Plan is a long-term plan for the community that should be periodically evaluated for effectiveness and fit with the City vision and community needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Sammamish Comprehensive Plan Adopted. The City of Sammamish hereby adopts the “City of Sammamish Comprehensive Plan,” attached hereto as Attachment “A” and by this reference fully incorporated herein.

Section 2. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or
federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 16th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003.**

CITY OF SAMMAMISH

[Signature]
Mayor Kenneth J. Kilroy

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Melonic Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Bruce L. Disend, City Attorney

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