

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE 2016 UPDATE OF THE PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF COVINGTON.

WHEREAS, the Covington Parks and Recreation Department (the “Parks Department”), together with consultants, has conducted an in-depth study and review of the City of Covington’s (the “City”) programs, policies, and planning for parks, recreation, and open space; and

WHEREAS, since early 2015, the Parks Department has engaged Covington residents and businesses through meaningful public outreach, including mail and on-line surveys, stakeholder meetings with teens, business owners, program participants and non-participants, two public open houses, four presentations to and one work session with the Covington Parks and Recreation Commission, a presentation to the Covington Planning Commission, and three presentations to Covington City Council; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the above outreach and further study and review, and in collaboration with consultants, Parks Department staff have completed the 2016 update to the city’s Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (“2016 PROS Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the updated 2016 PROS Plan provides a vision for the city’s parks and recreation system and provides important information about the programs and parks the community needs and uses, guides the allocation of time and funding toward the most important priorities, and addresses goals, objectives, and other management considerations for the provision of high quality recreation opportunities to benefit residents and visitors to Covington; and

WHEREAS, the Covington City Council has reviewed the 2016 PROS Plan and finds it consistent with and in aid of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Element of the 2015-2035 Covington Comprehensive Plan, adopted on January 12, 2016; and

WHEREAS, certain portions of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Element of the 2015-2035 Covington Comprehensive Plan will be amended during the annual regular comprehensive plan amendment process later in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the updated 2016 PROS Plan has been considered by the city council in open public meeting; and

WHEREAS, a SEPA Determination of Non-Significance was issued on February 12, 2016, for the adoption of the 2016 PROS Plan;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Covington as follows:

Section 1. 2016 PROS Plan Adopted. The document entitled “Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan—2016 Update” dated March 2016, as prepared by the Covington Parks and Recreation Department and as recommended by the same and the Covington Parks and Recreation Commission, is hereby adopted.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Covington, Washington, in open and regular session this 8th day of March, 2016, and signed in authentication of its adoption.

CITY OF COVINGTON



Mayor Jeff Wagner

ATTESTED:



Sharon Scott, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:



Sara Springer, City Attorney