

RESOLUTION NO. 1238 (2009)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOTHELL,
WASHINGTON, INCORPORATING A COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY IN
THE BOTHELL VISION STATEMENT

WHEREAS, the Bothell Vision Statement is a component of the *Imagine Bothell...* Comprehensive Plan, which plan is required by and complies with RCW 36.70A, also known as the Growth Management Act; and

WHEREAS, the Bothell Vision Statement expresses a common vision for the future of Bothell, which vision articulates central community values and the activities and philosophies that implement those values; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to modify the Bothell Vision Statement to incorporate language expressing the community's commitment to sustainability, to ensure that actions of any one generation do not impinge on the choices of future generations; and

WHEREAS, such language would establish a clear policy basis for regulations providing incentives for green building, which regulations the Council is considering concurrently; and

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act allows comprehensive plans to be amended no more often than once each year, with certain exceptions, and the first opportunity to formally amend the *Imagine Bothell...* Comprehensive Plan to incorporate a sustainability statement in the Bothell Vision Statement would not be until 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt a guiding principle for sustainability concurrent with Code amendments providing incentives for green building; and

WHEREAS, the resolution provides an appropriate mechanism for expressing the community's commitment to sustainability until the Comprehensive Plan can be formally amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOTHELL,
WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Bothell Vision Statement is hereby revised to read as follows (new language in underline; repealed language in ~~strike through~~; unchanged language omitted, except for first section of Vision Statement which is included for context):

Bothell Vision Statement

WE THE PEOPLE OF BOTHELL

hereby set forth and pledge our commitment to achieve a common vision for the future of the Bothell community.

Our vision is drawn from scores of hopes and dreams offered by interested citizens responding to an open invitation from the City of Bothell to imagine our community in the

future. From these hopes and dreams emerge the central values which we as a community hold in common:

- We believe that the essence of a prosperous and vibrant city is found not in its structures but in the collective spirit of those who live and who work within the community. We hold that the built aspects of a community—its transportation network, utilities system, buildings and other facilities—should not be considered as ends in themselves, but as means for enhancing the quality of life and enriching the human spirit.
- We believe that certain controls on the choices of individual action are appropriate to ensure that the community's best interests are realized.
- We believe that human activities should be considered as one component of a complex system of relationships among living things and their environment and that we have a responsibility to ourselves and to future generations to seek a mutually supportive balance within this system.

OUR VISION FOR BOTHELL,
based on the above values, is of a community which:

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3. Demonstrates a commitment to sustainability ~~the conservation of scarce resources~~ through the actions of residents, businesses and public institutions, by living and working in ways that meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs;

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Section 2. The *Imagine Bothell...* Comprehensive Plan will be formally amended as part of the 2010 Plan Amendment Docket to incorporate the revision to the Bothell Vision Statement approved in Section 1.

Section 3. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, resolution numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

PASSED this 21st day of July, 2009.

APPROVED:



MARK LAMB
MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



JOANNE TRUDEL
CITY CLERK

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