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Interim Wetlands Ord.

ORDINANCE NO. 1649

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON,  
ADOPTING AN INTERIM SEPA POLICY PROTECTING  
WETLANDS PENDING COMPLETION OF THE CITY'S  
SENSITIVE AREAS ORDINANCE.

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WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act requires that all cities designate their critical areas, including wetlands, and take steps to protect those areas from development, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is currently holding hearings on a sensitive areas ordinance for the City which would offer protection for the City's critical areas, including wetlands, and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the destruction of wetlands may occur pending adoption of the sensitive areas ordinance, based upon the City's current development regulations, and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it to be in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare to adopt an interim amendment to the Community Development Guide in order to protect wetlands until the sensitive areas ordinance can be finalized and adopted, and

WHEREAS, although the Community Development Guide provides that the Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing on all Development Guide amendments, the City Council has determined that, in view of the immediacy of the need for protection in order to comply with the Growth Management Act, the requirement for a Planning Commission hearing should not apply in

this case and that the City Council should act after holding its own public hearing, and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on the proposed interim regulation set forth in this ordinance on September 24, 1991, and has determined to adopt the regulation, now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Wetland Protection. A new Section 20B.10.030 is hereby added to the Redmond Municipal Code and Community Development Guide to read as follows:

20B.10.030(105) Policy. Retain and protect the important biological and hydrological functions of wetlands through conditions on new development to assure no net loss of wetland acreage, function, and value in the Redmond Planning area.

Section 2. Effective Date - Interim Nature. This ordinance, being the exercise of a power specifically delegated to the legislative body, shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication of the attached summary, which is hereby approved. This ordinance shall remain in effect until adoption of a sensitive areas ordinance by the City Council and shall thereupon be automatically repealed and of no further effect.

APPROVED:

  
MAYOR, DOREEN MARCHIONE

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Doris A. Schauble  
CITY CLERK, DORIS SCHAUBLE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY Sam E. Jey

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