RESOLUTION NO. 254

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING DIRECTION REGARDING THE CITY'S PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Shoreline City Council and Planning Commission met jointly on October 30, 2006 to discuss implementation of the City's Planning Work Program, City Council Goals for 2007-2008, various means for public participation and citizen outreach, and other issues of mutual concern; and

WHEREAS, it was a productive meeting, many ideas were discussed, and the City Council offered direction on a number of items; and

WHEREAS, it is the best interests of the public, the Planning Commission, and the City staff that the City Council give clear direction regarding priorities for the Planning Work Program and public participation, affirm the important role of the Planning Commission as the City's land use hearing body, and provide for ongoing communication and coordination between the Council and the Planning Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

The Shoreline Planning Commission work program for 2007 shall include the following tasks, direction, and understandings:

Section 1. The City Council commits to meeting at least twice annually with the Planning Commission in joint meetings, prior to the City Council's retreat, and prior to the City's budget process.

Section 2. The City Council affirms that the Planning Commission is the hearing body for both quasi-judicial and legislative rezones. When appropriate, a representative of the Commission will participate in presenting its recommendation to the City Council.

Section 3. The City Council approves the concept of sponsoring a Speaker Series (community conversation) in 2007, directs that these be televised on the City's cable access channel, and that the community at large be alerted to this opportunity through Currents, the City website and other appropriate media.

Section 4. The City Council agrees that three members of the Planning Commission shall serve on the Comprehensive Housing Strategy Citizen Advisory Committee as it helps implement Council Goal 5, which is to "Develop a Comprehensive Housing Strategy."
Section 5. The City Council requests that the Planning Commission and Parks Board periodically meet in joint session to provide a sounding board to review and critique the City’s progress in implementing Council Goal 6, which is “To Create an Environmentally Sustainable Community.”

Section 6. The City Council supports the concepts of legislative rezones and form-base codes in order to implement adopted comprehensive plan policies and to improve the timeliness and predictability of the City’s development review process, and asks that the City staff and Planning Commission prepare for Council review a schedule and strategy for utilizing these land use tools.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JANUARY 8, 2007.

Robert L. Ransom, Mayor

ATTEST:

Scott Passey
City Clerk