

RESOLUTION 655

CITY OF LACEY

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OFFICIAL CITY POLICY RELATING TO PERMITTED DENSITIES ON SHORELINE PARCELS WITHIN THE CITY OF LACEY

WHEREAS, the City of Lacey has indicated through adoption of Resolution No. 647, dated July 28, 1989, that it intends to adopt by ordinance the revisions to the Shoreline Master Program for the Thurston Region after these revisions are reviewed and approved by the Washington State Department of Ecology; and

WHEREAS, Section XVI,C,2 of the proposed revisions addresses the issue of allowable densities for residential development on lands under the jurisdiction of the Master Program; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revision to Section XVI,C,2 specifies that the legislative body of each jurisdiction using this Master Program will adopt policies relating to whether wetlands, such as marshes, bogs, swamps, and tidelands may or may not be used to compute required lot area, lot dimensions, densities and/or required yards, and similarly will adopt policies relating to whether wetlands may be included as open space; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lacey considers wetlands and lands such as marshes, bogs, swamps, and tidelands to be valuable and fragile resources that require the maximum level of protection from possible degradation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lacey recognizes that intense development of lands bordering wetlands can cause adverse environmental impacts to such wetlands; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Lacey to provide for the maximum levels of protection for wetland areas; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, that the policy of the City shall be that wetlands, such as marshes, bogs, swamps and tidelands shall not be used to compute required lot area, lot dimensions, densities and/or required yards, but that such wetlands may be used to meet open space requirements when it can be demonstrated that such area will be usable by and available to the residents of the planned development in a manner that will not endanger or degrade such lands.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON,  
this 7th day of December, 19 89.

CITY COUNCIL

By Kay M. Boyd  
Mayor

Attest:

Charlotte M. Taylor  
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

[Signature]  
City Attorney