

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-18

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Bainbridge Island, Washington, relating to historic preservation; amending and restating the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element Introduction (Historic Preservation), repealing Historic Preservation Goals 1-3 and Policies HP 1.1-1.5, 2.1-2.7 and 3.1-3.2; and adopting Historic Preservation Goals 1-4 and Policies HP 1.1-1.4, 2.1-2.5, 3.1-3.6 and 4.1-4.4 in their place.

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized to modify the City's Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Washington State laws; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission has recommended revising the Historic Preservation Element (a) to reflect the existence of the Historic Preservation Commission and the fact that the City is a Certified Local Government and (b) to add a public participation goal to promote and recognize historic resources; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission conducted a study session on the proposed language on May 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on June 27, 2013, considered the decision criteria for the amendment request, and forwarded their recommendation to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted a public hearing on this proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment on November 25, 2013 and considered the decision criteria; and

WHEREAS, notice was give on September 4, 2013 to the Office of Community Development in conformance with RCW 36.70A.106; and

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council finds that this Comprehensive Plan amendment is in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan and all applicable laws in effect at the time of approval.

Section 2. The Historic Preservation introduction on page 4 of the Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

Historic Preservation

Historic Preservation Goals and Policies recognize the importance of archaeological, cultural and historic resources on the island. Bainbridge Island is a Certified Local Government (CLG) with a Historic Preservation Commission (HPC). Responsibilities of a CLG, and its HPC, include

establishing an historic preservation commission, surveying local historic properties, enforcing state or local preservation laws, reviewing nominations for the state and national historic registers, maintaining a Local Historic Register and providing resources and advocacy for historic preservation.

The City is committed to the preservation and enhancement of Bainbridge Island's historic character. Historic resources, including archaeological sites, cultural places, pastoral landscapes and historic structures are important community assets. The City recognizes that these places are an essential part of Bainbridge Island's character and shall be identified, evaluated, and preserved.

Section 3. The Historic Preservation Goals 1-3 and Policies HP 1.1-1.5, 2.1-2.7 and 3.1-3.2 of the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan (pages 34-36) are hereby repealed and the Historic Preservation Goals and Policies set forth below are adopted in their place:

Historic Preservation

GOAL 1

Maintain and Support a Historic Preservation Program – A successful historic preservation program requires on-going support of the community, as well as the City government and its designated department.

HP 1.1

The City shall maintain its status as a Certified Local Government (CLG), thereby promoting collaboration among City departments, boards and commissions.

HP 1.2

The City and its HPC shall regularly review the local historic preservation ordinance and update where necessary to assure that it achieves the Comprehensive Plan's goals and policies.

HP 1.3

The City and the HPC shall develop the City's preferred method of project compliance review and reporting, consistent with state laws and local ordinances.

HP 1.4

The City and HPC shall coordinate with tribal communities and other interested stakeholders who have an interest in historic resources on the Island.

GOAL 2

Identification and Evaluation of Historic Resources – Historic property inventory and context statements inform planning efforts by identifying areas where resources worthy of preservation exist or are likely to occur.

HP 2.1

The City and HPC shall recognize historic resources listed on, or eligible for, the local registry as significant historic properties.

HP 2.2

The City and HPC shall continue to inventory historic resources, thereby maintaining an up-to-date site database using the latest affordable technologies available.

HP 2.3

The City and HPC shall continue to support and expand the Local Historic Register program.

HP 2.4

The City and HPC shall develop protocols for the consistent evaluation of historic resources on the Island.

HP 2.5

The City and HPC shall define and identify its “iconic” structures and sites (those intended for permanent preservation), which are deemed essential elements of the community’s character, history and identify.

GOAL 3

Preservation and Enhancement of Historic Resources – An effective historic preservation program provides meaningful practical incentives and policies for property owners and developers to preserve historic resources.

HP 3.1

The City shall encourage preservation of existing historic structures and sites as an important tool in building a sustainable and unique community.

HP 3.2

The City shall encourage the preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of existing structures through the adoption and implementation of the International Existing Building Code (IEBC).

HP 3.3

The City and HPC shall collaborate with the Design Review Board to develop design guidelines for projects within or adjacent to significant historic properties and/or neighborhoods to ensure compatible development.

HP 3.4

The City and HPC shall develop guidelines to ensure review of potential direct and indirect impacts to significant historic properties when planning and/or permitting projects.

HP 3.5

The City and HPC shall identify and support practical owner/operator economic incentives and policies to encourage the rehabilitation and preservation of significant historic resources.

HP 3.6

The City shall engage in cooperative efforts with owners to encourage the preservation of historic resources.

GOAL 4

Public Participation – Establishing a broad base of support from citizens and their city government will strengthen the community’s commitment to historic preservation.

HP 4.1

The City and HPC shall support an on-going education program to increase awareness of the historic resources on the Island.

HP 4.2

The City and HPC shall support efforts to publicly recognize preservation efforts within the Island community.

HP 4.3

The City and HPC shall collaborate with interested stakeholders to promote historic preservation on the Island.

HP 4.4

The City and HPC shall identify, and give public access to, an appropriate repository for curating historic preservation records and documentation.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 25th day of November, 2013.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 25th day of November, 2013.


Steven Bonkowski, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATE


Rosalind D. Lassoff, City Clerk

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