

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-27

A RESOLUTION of the City of Bainbridge Island, Washington, relating to the reauthorization of a technical advisory committee on environmental issues, entitled the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City to manage and protect our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor appointed the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee (ETAC) as a 90-day committee on May 9, 2001; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2001, the City Council authorized the establishment of the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee as a two-year committee with extensions of six months by the Mayor as necessary; and

WHEREAS, due to a continuing need for the service of the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee, the Mayor extended the term of said committee; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2005-03, approved by the City Council on December 14, 2005, identified the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee as a reviewing body for habitat management plans in Section 16.20.060 of the Bainbridge Island Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee provides a highly valuable resource to the City and is necessary for fulfilling the best available science requirements (WAC 365-195-900 through 365-195-925) of the procedural criteria of the Growth Management Act; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee will provide technical advice on shoreline management consistent with the science standards in the Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58) and WAC 173-26-201(2)(a); and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to make the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee a permanent committee with standardized terms; now, therefore,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND,
WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Committee establishment and authority.

An Environmental Technical Advisory Committee is established for the following purposes:

A. Serve as a technical advisory committee to the City Council, City Manager and Planning Department staff on environmental management issues; and

B. Provide technical recommendations on habitat management plans pursuant to Section 16.20.060 of the Bainbridge Island Municipal Code; and

C. Provide technical recommendations on environmental management standards for the City of Bainbridge Island Shoreline Management Master Program and Critical Areas Ordinance; and

D. Provide technical environmental review of policies and regulations proposed for the City of Bainbridge Island Shoreline Management Master Program and Critical Areas Ordinance; and

E. Conduct all items related to the Critical Areas Ordinance consistent with the best available science sections (WAC 365-195-900 through 365-195-925) of the procedural criteria of the Growth Management Act.

F. Conduct all items related to the Shoreline Management Master Program consistent with the scientific and technical standards section (WAC 173-26-201(2)(a) of the procedural criteria of the Shoreline Management Act.

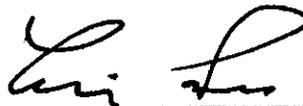
Section 2. Committee membership and terms.

The Environmental Technical Advisory Committee shall consist of local experts who are qualified as an expert pursuant to WAC 365-195-905(4), as amended, and qualified to fulfill the purposes of Section 1. The committee shall consist of seven to nine core members that should include members with expertise in wildlife management, fisheries management, geology, wetlands management and/or hydrology. Committee members shall disclose any potential conflicts of interest. The committee members shall be appointed by the Mayor, confirmed by the City Council, and shall serve without compensation. The core committee members shall serve for a term of three years from the date of their appointment. The current approved members shall be assigned staggered terms of one year, two years and three years with the longest serving members being assigned the shortest terms. There shall be no limitation on members being reappointed for additional terms.

The Committee shall develop a pool of qualified experts in the various aspects of environmental science set forth above and shall consult with these experts on issues related to their field of expertise. This pool of experts is to be used for consultation only and will not be compensated or considered a voting member of the Committee.

PASSED by the City Council this 9th day of November 2009.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 16th day November 2009.



Christopher Snow, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATE:

Rosalind D. Lassoff
Rosalind D. Lassoff, City Clerk

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