ORDINANCE NO. 1302

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE CITY OF SNOQUALMIE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2044 PERIODIC UPDATE

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie is required to plan under RCW Chapter 36.70A, the Growth Management Act, which contains fifteen goals intended to guide the development and contents of comprehensive plans for jurisdictions planning under GMA in order to manage population growth and the use of natural resources in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie is categorized as a fully-planning jurisdiction by the Growth Management Act and is required to prepare and keep current a comprehensive plan incorporating the various required elements specified by RCW 36.70A; and

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie developed and facilitated a Public Involvement Plan, (PIP) which generated over 400 public comments and over 40 separate interactions with the Washington State Departments of Commerce, Fish and Wildlife, and Transportation, the Puget Sound Regional Government, the Snoqualmie Tribe, Snoqualmie Valley Transportation, Snoqualmie Valley Mobility Coalition, the Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Forum, the Snoqualmie Downtown Association, the Snoqualmie Ridge Merchants Association and other Community Partners which were used to help inform the development of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie invited members of the Public and Community Partners to Open Houses on April 6, 2023, at Snoqualmie City Hall and October 18, 2023, at the Snoqualmie Library Meeting Room to facilitate public participation in the planning process to provide for an opportunity for early and continuous public participation during the comprehensive plan amendment process as required by RCW 36.70A.140; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Snoqualmie invited members of the public to public meetings on July 17, 2023, August 7, 2023, August 21, 2023 (Land Use), September 5, 2023, September 18, 2023, October 2, 2023 (Housing), October 2, 2023, October 16, 2023, November 6, 2023, November 11, 2023 (Transportation), November 6, 2023, November 20, 2023, December 4, 2023 (Capital Facilities and Utilities), August 21, 2023, September 20, 2023, October 2, 2023 (Economic Development), December 4, 2023, January 16, 2024, February 5, 2024, February 20, 2024, and March 18, 2024 (Environment) and made recommendations to the Snoqualmie City Council regarding the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Committees of the City of Snoqualmie invited the public to City Council Committee meetings open to members of the public on November 6, 2023, November 20, 2023 (Land Use), October 16, 2023, November 11, 2023, November 20, 2023, December 4, 2023, February 5, 2024 (Housing), December 5, 2023, February 6, 2024 (Transportation), January 3, 2024 (Capital Facilities and Utilities), October 16, 2023; November 6, 2023; November 20, 2023 (Economic Development); and April 1, 2024 (Environmental) regarding the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie invited the public to City Council meetings open to members of the public on February 12, 2024 (Land Use) February 26, 2024, March 11, 2024, and March 25, 2024 (Transportation), March 25, 2024 (Capital Facilities and Utilities), April 8, 2024, April 22, 2024, May 13, 2024 (Economic Development and Environment) regarding the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie held a public hearing at the Snoqualmie City Hall on December 9, 2024, to hear public testimony on the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie has prepared the Comprehensive Plan 2044 Periodic Update consistent with the requirements of RCW 36.70A and in pursuit of the fifteen goals of the Growth Management Act and has also considered, evaluated, and where appropriate incorporated the feedback and information gathered during various public participation opportunities, and

WHEREAS, to ensure the adoption of the City of Snoqualmie 2044 Comprehensive Plan is consistent with the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act, the City of Snoqualmie on June 3, 2024 issued a Determination of Non-significance Adoption and Addendum, adopting prior environmental analysis prepared for the Snoqualmie 2023 Comprehensive Plan and adding new information based on environmental studies finding that the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan 2044 Periodic Update is unlikely to result in significant environmental impacts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Snoqualmie as follows:

Section 1. Adoption of Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update. Volumes 1 and 2 of the 2024 City of Snoqualmie Comprehensive Plan periodic update, attached hereto, are hereby adopted.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective five days after its passage and publication, as provided by law.

Section 3. Severability. If any portion of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, such finding shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other section of this ordinance.

Section 4. Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and Code Reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations, or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof this 9th day of December 2024.

Katherine Ross, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Deana Dean, City Clerk

David Linehan, Interim City Attorney