

ORDINANCE NO. 6 5 8 4

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF AUBURN, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE 2015 CITY
OF AUBURN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130, the City of Auburn is required to take action to review and, if needed, revise its comprehensive plan and development regulations at least every seven years; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the last two years, a substantial effort has been undertaken to engage the public, business community, service organizations, cultural communities, and other City departments to obtain feedback, thoughts, ideas, and concerns around which to develop a 20 year vision, city values, goals and objectives, policies, and actions; and

WHEREAS, this effort began with a community-wide visioning exercise at the end of 2013 which generated more than a thousand comments that have been used to help define a vision and value statement for the City; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 36.70A.106, the City of Auburn provided its draft Comprehensive Plan to the Washington State Department of Commerce on October 13, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn also provided its draft Comprehensive Plan to the Puget Sound Regional Council on October 13, 2015, in accordance with the procedural requirements outlined in the Puget Sound Regional Council Interlocal Agreement for Regional Planning in the Central Puget Sound Area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Planning Commission scheduled and held public meetings on May 21, 2014, January 6, March 17, April 7, April 14, April 21, May 5, June 2, October 20, November 4, and December 8, 2015, for the purposes of staff presentations and discussion on the various components of the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission scheduled and held public hearings on April 7, April 14, April 21, June 2, November 4, and December 8, 2015, to receive public testimony on the proposed Plan; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2015, the Planning Commission recommended to the City Council adoption of the final draft Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Auburn City Council finds it appropriate and in the best interest of the City to adopt the Auburn Comprehensive Plan, which includes the Core

Comprehensive Plan, the Land Use Element, the Housing Element, the Capital Facilities Element, the Utilities Element, the Transportation Element, the Economic Development Element, the Parks and Recreation Element, the Appendices listed within the Core Comprehensive Plan, and the referenced functional plans listed in the Capital Facilities Element; and

WHEREAS, the Auburn City Council determines that the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan meets the criteria set forth in the Auburn City Code and all other applicable legal criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Auburn City Council determines that the Comprehensive Plan is consistent with the Growth Management Act, the King County and Pierce County County-Wide Planning Policies, and the Puget Sound Regional Council's Vision 2040; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn has reviewed its development regulations for consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and the Growth Management Act, and has determined that the City's adopted development regulations are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, by adoption of this ordinance, the City of Auburn has completed the mandatory periodic comprehensive plan review process that is set forth in RCW 36.70A.130.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN as follows

Section 1. Adoption of Comprehensive Plan. The City of Auburn 2015 Comprehensive Plan on file with the office of the City Clerk is adopted and is available for inspection therein.

Section 2. Implementation. The Mayor is hereby authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directions of this legislation.

Section 3. Severability. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision,

section or portion of this ordinance, or the invalidity of the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance, or the validity of its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

FIRST READING: DEC - 7 2015
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PASSED: DEC 14 2015
APPROVED: DEC 14 2015

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NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Danielle E. Daskam
Danielle E. Daskam, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel B. Heid
Daniel B. Heid, City Attorney

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