RESOLUTION No. R2016-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SEQUIM ADOPTING THE STORM AND SURFACE WATER MASTER PLAN ESTABLISHING A TIERED APPROACH TO IMPLEMENTING A SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND ASSOCIATED FUNDING MECHANISMS, AND ASSISTING IN THE PRIORITIZATION OF CAPITAL PLANNING NEEDS

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature directed all jurisdictions planning under the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A) to plan in a coordinated and comprehensive manner to maintain and enhance the quality of life enjoyed by state residents; and,

WHEREAS, the planning goals established under the Act address the retention of open space, conservation of fish and wildlife habitat, increased access to natural resource lands and water, and the development of parks and recreation facilities, (RCW 36.70A020(9); and,

WHEREAS, there are multiple federal and state regulations that apply to water bodies and storm drainage in the City of Sequim, in particular state water quality standards for surface and groundwater (WAC 173-201A and 173-200, respectively) and the federal endangered species act; and,

WHEREAS, the Sequim Municipal Code Chapter 13 requires up-to-date designs for stormwater management systems using the state's latest Storm Water Management Manual for Western Washington and careful oversight of stormwater facility maintenance; and,

WHEREAS, the adopted Comprehensive Plan Update for 2015-2035 calls for several relevant activities including preserving and protecting water supplies and water quality, managing long-term risk and costs through sustainable practices, and working with regional water management partners; and,

WHEREAS, the City could avoid additional regulations related to Phase II municipal stormwater NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permitting by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) if it has an active program to prevent and minimize pollutant runoff; and,

WHEREAS, Ecology prefers that a community-wide master plan be adopted to enhance eligibility for grant funds; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Sequim staff has completed the Storm and Surface Water Master Plan including all appropriate elements; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan has been extensively reviewed by the Planning Commission, City Council and City Staff; and,

WHEREAS, in conformance with Title 20, Sequim Municipal Code, the plan has been available for public review and comment;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEQUIM, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Sequim City Council hereby adopts the Storm and Surface Water Master Plan as set forth in Exhibit "A.".

Adopted by the Sequim City Council on this 14th day of April, 2016.

Dennis Smith
Mayor

Karen Kuznek-Reese, MMC
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Craig Ritchie
City Attorney