BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING
AMENDMENTS TO THE ISLAND
COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
FOR INTERNAL CONSISTENCY WITH
THE 2010 FREELAND SUBAREA PLAN

ORDINANCE NO. C- PLG-017-11 -11

WHEREAS, Island County conducts planning activities in accordance with Chapter 36.70 RCW, the Planning Enabling Act; and

WHEREAS, the planning process and the Island County Comprehensive Plan are further governed by Chapter 36.70A RCW, the Growth Management Act (GMA); and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with Chapters 36.70 and 36.70A RCW, Island County adopted its GMA Comprehensive Plan on September 29, 1998 by Ordinance C-123-98, with an effective date of December 1, 1998; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement the Island County GMA Comprehensive Plan, a system of zoning and development regulations were also adopted on September 29, 1998 by Ordinance C-123-98, with an effective date of December 1, 1998, thereby establishing Chapter 17.03 ICC, the Island County Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 16.26 ICC establishes the review and amendment procedures for the Island County Comprehensive Plan and development regulations; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.130 requires consistency between comprehensive plans and subarea plans; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Island County Commissioners adopted Ordinance C-129-07 on December 10, 2007 which designated Freeland as a Non-Municipal Urban Growth Area and incorporated the Freeland Subarea Plan into the Island County Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Island County commissioners adopted Ordinance C-12-08 on February 11, 2008, which adopted the Findings of Fact for the designation of Freeland as a Non-Municipal Urban Growth Area and incorporation of the Freeland Subarea Plan into the Island County Comprehensive Plan. These Findings acknowledge that the Board of Island County Commissioners only adopted the Land Use Element of the Freeland Subarea Plan by Ordinance C-129-07; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance C-12-08 recognized that other comprehensive plan elements including housing, capital facilities, utilities, transportation, economic development and, parks and recreation were still needed; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance C-12-08 also recognized that other elements of the Island County Comprehensive Plan would need to be amended so that they are internally consistent with the Freeland Subarea Plan; and
WHEREAS, the 2010 and 2011 Annual Review Dockets included work on the remaining elements of the Freeland Subarea Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Island County Commissioners adopted Ordinance C-32-11 on March 21, 2011, which adopted the 2010 Freeland subarea Plan, an amendment and update of the 2007 Freeland Subarea Plan; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance C-32-11 and the accompanying staff report recognized that work on the 2010 Freeland Subarea Plan was not yet complete; specifically, that the Transportation Element, the Capital Facilities Element, and companion amendments to the Island County Comprehensive Plan for internal consistency required further work, public review, and public hearings; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance C-32-11 recognizes the Capital Facilities Element of the Freeland Subarea Plan as not effective and merely a placeholder until further amendments to the Freeland Subarea Plan Capital Facilities Element are proposed and adopted by the Board of Island County Commissioners in compliance with RCW 36.70A.070(3); and

WHEREAS, as part of the 2011 Annual Review Docket the Island County Planning and Community Development Department prepared amendments to Island County Comprehensive Plan Elements 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 to be consistent with the recently adopted Freeland Subarea Plan; and

WHEREAS, the draft amendments were transmitted to the Department of Commerce for the 60 day state agency review required by Chapter 36.70A RCW on November 4, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to Island County Comprehensive Plan (attached as Exhibit A) have been reviewed by the Island County Planning Commission in a public hearing held on November 22, 2011 and the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed revisions; NOW, THEREFORE,

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED that the Board of Island County Commissioners adopts the amendments to the ICCP attached hereto as Exhibit A (Within Exhibit A, material stricken through is deleted and material underlined is added), and the Findings of Fact approved by the Planning Commission, attached hereto as Exhibit B; however, the adoption of Exhibits A and B shall become effective only after reaffirmation of adoption of the amendments to the ICCP for internal consistency with the 2010 Freeland Subarea Plan on the future date that the Board adopts the 2011 annual review amendments to the Island County Comprehensive Plan so that the BICC takes into account the cumulative impact of the various 2011 Comprehensive Plan amendment proposals in accordance with RCW 36.70A.130(2) and finds the impact acceptable.
ADOPTED this ___day of ______________, 2011 following public hearing.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Angie Homola, Chair

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Helen Price Johnson, Member

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Kelly Emerson, Member

ATTEST:

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Elaine Marlow
Clerk of the Board