RESOLUTION R-5208

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AMENDING THE TIMELINE OF RESOLUTION R-5067 RELATING TO PLANNING AND LAND USE AND ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE KIRKLAND PLANNING COMMISSION TO DEFER ACTION ON THE HOUGHTON/EVEREST NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER CITIZEN AMENDMENT REQUESTS UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (FILE CAM13-00465, #14).

 WHEREAS, in December of 2015, the City completed the update of its Comprehensive Plan, the guiding policy document to direct growth and development in Kirkland over the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the City accepted Citizen Amendment Requests that proposed property-specific changes to the land use map/zoning map, existing Plan goals and policies and/or zoning regulations as part of the Plan update process; and

WHEREAS, following additional review at its August 14, 2014, meeting, the Planning Commission recommended that action be deferred on the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center Citizen Amendment Requests until the completion of the Comprehensive Plan update when the Everest Neighborhood Plan could be updated; and

WHEREAS, The Houghton Community Council met on August 25, 2014, to discuss the process options for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center Citizen Amendment Requests and agreed with the recommendation of the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, accepting the recommendations of the Houghton Community Council and the Planning Commission to defer the Central Houghton Neighborhood Citizen Amendment requests would allow for the update of the Everest Neighborhood Plan except for the areas of Everest that are included in the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide certainty and predictability in land use, the City Council wished to work with the Houghton Community Council, property owners and residents of Central Houghton and Everest to consider the entire Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center following the completion of the Comprehensive Plan update; and

WHEREAS, action was deferred on the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center Citizen Amendment Requests by Resolution R-5067, and

WHEREAS, Resolution R-5067 also stated that the Houghton/Everest update process would result in recommendations to the Planning Commission for the Comprehensive Plan amendments and

36 zoning regulations for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center no later than July 15, 2016; and 37 WHEREAS, Resolution R-5067 also stated the Planning 38 Commission shall consider and hold a public hearing on the 39 40 Comprehensive Plan amendments and zoning regulations and shall 41 make final recommendations to the City Council no later than October 31, 2016; and 42 43 WHEREAS, additional time will be necessary to solicit further 44 public input and complete the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center 45 update process, but a fixed completion date is helpful to all stakeholders. 46 47 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City 48 of Kirkland as follows: 49 Section 1. The Planning Commission shall consider and hold a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan amendments and zoning 50 regulations for the Houghton Everest Neighborhood Center and shall 51 52 make final recommendations to the City Council no later than January 53 31, 2017. Section 2. The Kirkland City Council may accept, modify or 54 reject the Comprehensive Plan amendments and zoning regulations. 55 Both the Everest and Central Houghton Neighborhood Plans will be 56 57 updated as necessary to reflect any final Council action on the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center. 58 59 Section 3. The existing Comprehensive Plan language and 60 zoning regulations affecting the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Plan 61 and the Central Houghton Neighborhood Plan shall remain unchanged 62 until the process is completed. 63 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open 64 meeting on the 20th day of September, 2016. 65 66 Signed in authentication thereof this 20th day of September, 2016. 67 MAYOR hy wake Attest: