ORDINANCE NO. 15-007

AN ORDINANCE adopting limited amendments to the Camas Shoreline Master Program to comply with new mandates from the Department of Ecology.

The Council of the City of Camas do ordain as follows:

Section I

The Council makes the following findings:

A. The City of Camas has heretofore adopted a document entitled "Camas Shoreline Master Program" pursuant to Ordinance No. 2643 as the master program for regulations within the City, as required by Chapter 90.58, Revised Code of Washington.

B. The Washington State Department of Ecology has updated its Wetland Guidance Manuals and method of scoring for consistency with revised federal standards. The proposed amendments relate to Appendix C, Chapter 16.53 Wetlands, of the Camas Shoreline Master Program.

C. City staff received guidance from the Washington State Department of Ecology specific to the City's Master Program update, to ensure compliance with state and federal laws and consistency with the Shoreline Management Act's goals and policies.

D. The City has held public hearings before the Planning Commission and before the City Council, to consider the limited amendments to the Camas Shoreline Master Program and to allow public comment.

E. The limited amendments to the Camas Shoreline Master Program have been forwarded to the Department of Ecology for review and comment.

F. During the Department of Ecology's 30-day comment period, the City received correspondence regarding the limited amendments, and minor revisions were made therein.

G. The City Council has modified the Camas Shoreline Master Program consistent with the recommendations of the Department of Ecology as relates to Appendix C, Chapter 16.53

Wetlands, of the Camas Shoreline Master Program.

H. The City desires to adopt the limited amendments to Appendix C, Chapter 16.53 Wetlands, of the Camas Shoreline Master Program.

Section II

Appendix C, Chapter 16.53 Wetlands, of the Camas Shoreline Master Program is hereby amended, as set forth in the attached Exhibit "A".

Section III

Upon the effective date of this ordinance, Appendix C of Chapter 16.53 shall supersede all prior adopted standards of Chapter 16.53 Wetlands, within Appendix C of the Camas Shoreline Master Program, adopted pursuant to Ordinance No. 2643, which shall have no further effect for any development, substantial development, conditional use, or variance, under application under the Shorelines Act made after the effective date of this Ordinance.

Section IV

This Ordinance shall take force and be in effect fourteen (14) days from the date of the Washington State Department of Ecology's written notice of final action to the City of Camas, stating the Department of Ecology has approved the proposed limited amendments, as indicated herein, to the Camas Shoreline Master Program.

PASSED BY the Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 16th day of March, 2015.

SIGNED: _____
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

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City Attorney