

# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

<b>Meeting Date:</b> May 25, 2010	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading _____ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading _____	<b>Legal Review:</b>	<b>Work Plan #</b> 228	<b>Agenda Location:</b> Public Hearing	<b>Agenda Item:</b> 9A
<b>Subject:</b> A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2007 THORNTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO INCLUDE APPENDIX C, A MAP OF FUTURE SCHOOL SITES AND FACILITY LOCATIONS, AND TO UPDATE FIGURE 3-3, FUTURE LAND USE MAP.					
<b>Prepared by:</b> Robert Larsen		<b>Approved by:</b> Jack Ethredge		<b>Ordinance previously introduced by:</b> _____	
<b>Reviewed by:</b> Jeff Coder		<b>Presented by:</b> Glenda Lainis Policy Planning Manager			

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The addition of Appendix C, a map entitled “School Districts – Future School and Facility Locations,” (Exhibit A) meets City obligations detailed in the February 23, 2010 Intergovernmental Agreement with Adams County School District 12 (C.D. No. 2010-034).
- Comprehensive Plan Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map (Exhibit B), has been updated to reflect two parcels purchased by the City as “Parks and Open Space.” These are:
  - Grandview Ponds Open Space and Prairie Dog Habitat in 2008 (southwest corner of East 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Riverdale Road).
  - Big Dry Creek Open Space – Ehler Property in 2009 (north of East 152<sup>nd</sup> and York Street).
- Comprehensive Plan Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map, has been updated to reflect changes in land use designation for parcels outside the City but within Thornton’s Future Growth Area, where another government entity has designated a new land use, in particular Open Space parcels purchased by Adams County.
- Comprehensive Plan Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map, has been updated to reflect other minor changes including an updated municipal boundary and a revised Future Growth Boundary along the Platte River near East 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Page vii of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan, Table of Contents, will be updated to reflect the addition of Appendix C.
- Page ES.6 of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan, Plan Content and Organization, will be updated to reflect the addition of Appendix C.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the Resolution because:

- The addition of Appendix C brings the City into compliance with obligations set forth in C.D. No. 2010-034, the Intergovernmental Agreement with Adams County School District 12.
- Revisions to Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map, will reflect the most accurate vision of the City’s future land uses, municipal boundary and future growth boundary.

**HISTORY:** (includes previous City Council action)

- The 2007 Thornton Comprehensive Plan was approved and adopted on September 11, 2007.
- Since its adoption, specific land use changes have been approved by Council via individual Comprehensive Plan amendments.

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

- A public notice of the hearing was advertised in the Northglenn-Thornton Sentinel on May 13, 2010.

## RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2007 THORNTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO INCLUDE APPENDIX C, A MAP OF FUTURE SCHOOL SITES AND FACILITY LOCATIONS, AND TO UPDATE FIGURE 3-3, FUTURE LAND USE MAP.

WHEREAS, the Thornton City Council adopted the 2007 Thornton Comprehensive Plan on September 11, 2007; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2010, the City entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Adams County School District 12 (C.D. No. 2010-034) requiring the City to include in the 2007 Comprehensive Plan future school and facility locations to foster collaborative planning for school sites; and

WHEREAS, the City has created a map entitled "School Districts – Future School Sites and Facility Locations" to be included in the 2007 Comprehensive Plan as Appendix C and attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit "B", is amended to reflect the City's 2008 acquisition and designation of the Grandview Ponds Open Space and Prairie Dog Habitat as Parks and Open Space; and

WHEREAS, Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan is amended to reflect the City's 2009 acquisition and designation of the Big Dry Creek Open Space – Ehler Property as Parks and Open Space; and

WHEREAS, Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan is updated to reflect changes in land use designation for parcels outside the City, but within Thornton's Future Growth Area, where another government entity has designated a new land use; and

WHEREAS, Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan is updated to reflect the City's current municipal boundary and the City's most accurate Future Growth Area Boundary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

That the 2007 Thornton Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended as follows:

1. Text on page vii of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan, Table of Contents and text on page ES.6, Plan Content and Organization, shall be amended to reference Exhibit A, attached to this Resolution.
2. Exhibit A shall be added to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan.

3. Figure 3-3, Future Land Use Map, of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan shall be amended as described above and shown in Exhibit B, attached to this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Thornton, Colorado, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO

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Erik Hansen, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Nancy A. Vincent, City Clerk