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5 RESOLUTION NO. R2009-3s  
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8 **A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Initiating Amendments to the**  
9 **Comprehensive Plan for Pierce County for the 2009 Plan**  
10 **Amendment Cycle; Confirming the Initiation of Amendments**  
11 **by the County Executive, Cities and Towns; and Requesting**  
12 **the Planning and Land Services Department to Conduct an**  
13 **Environmental Review and Evaluation of the Initiated**  
14 **Amendments and Forward the Associated Reports to the**  
15 **Planning Commission and Affected Land Use Advisory**  
16 **Commissions for Review and Recommendation Back to the**  
17 **County Council.**

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19 **Whereas**, the Growth Management Act (GMA) requires Pierce County to  
20 develop, adopt, and implement a Comprehensive Plan, Revised Code of Washington  
21 (RCW) 36.70A.040; and

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23 **Whereas**, pursuant to Chapter 36.70A RCW, on November 24, 1994, the Pierce  
24 County Council adopted Ordinance No. 94-82S which enacted the Pierce County  
25 Comprehensive Plan; and

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27 **Whereas**, RCW 36.70A.130 requires the County's Comprehensive Plan to be  
28 subject to continuing review and evaluation, and that any amendment or revision to the  
29 Comprehensive Plan must conform to the requirements of the GMA; and

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31 **Whereas**, RCW 36.70A.130 states in part that "each County shall establish  
32 procedures whereby proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are considered  
33 by the governing body of the County no more frequently than once every year"; and

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35 **Whereas**, on April 18, 1995, the Pierce County Council passed Ordinance No.  
36 95-27S, which adopted "Procedures for Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan"; and

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38 **Whereas**, the Pierce County Council has since amended the "Procedures for  
39 Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan" by Ordinance Nos. 96-123, 98-16s, 2004-  
40 12s, 2005-70s, 2005-120s, 2005-121s4, 2007-91s and 2008-39; and



1           **Whereas**, according to the procedures to amend the Comprehensive Plan, the  
2 Council reviews and initiates applications for the Plan amendment cycle by April 15 of  
3 the review year; and

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5           **Whereas**, the Department of Planning and Land Services provided application  
6 materials to all parties that had suggested amending the Comprehensive Plan since the  
7 last amendment cycle and were included on the "Docket of Suggested Plan  
8 Amendments"; and

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10           **Whereas**, all applications received for Council initiation were reviewed against  
11 the acceptance criteria adopted in Chapter 19C.10 of the Pierce County Code. Those  
12 applications that did not meet the criteria were removed from consideration; and

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14           **Whereas**, the Council screened the accepted Plan Amendment applications  
15 through the public hearing process before the Community Development Committee and  
16 full Council and decided which applications to initiate for the 2009 Plan amendment  
17 cycle; **Now Therefore**,

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19           **BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Pierce County:**

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21           Section 1. The County Council hereby initiates proposed amendments to the  
22 Comprehensive Plan for the 2009 Plan amendment cycle as set forth in Exhibit A which  
23 is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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25           Section 2. The County Council hereby confirms the County Executive's initiation  
26 of proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for the 2009 Plan amendment  
27 cycle as set forth in Exhibit B which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by  
28 reference.

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30           Section 3. The County Council hereby confirms the initiation of proposed  
31 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for the 2009 Plan Amendment cycle by the  
32 cities and towns, as set forth in Exhibit C which is attached hereto and incorporated  
33 herein by reference.

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35           Section 4. The County Council requests that the Planning and Land Services  
36 Department conduct an environmental review and evaluation of the initiated  
37 amendments, and forward the associated reports to the Planning Commission for  
38 review and recommendation. The County Council requests that the Planning  
39 Commission submit its recommendations back to the Council by August 15, 2009.



1           Section 5. The County Council requests that the Planning and Land Services  
2 Department forward the relevant parts of the reports referenced in Section 4. to the  
3 affected Land Use Advisory Commissions for review and recommendation. The County  
4 Council requests that each Land Use Advisory Commission submit its  
5 recommendations to the Planning Commission for attachment to the Planning  
6 Commission's report being forwarded to the Council by August 15, 2009.

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8           **ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.**

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10 ATTEST:

**PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Pierce County, Washington

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15 **Denise D. Johnson**  
16 Clerk of the Council

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**Roger Bush**  
Council Chair

