

CITY OF FIRCREST PLANNING COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 20-01
Case No. LU20-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF FIRCREST, WASHINGTON, RECOMMENDING
ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF FIRCREST
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Fircrest Planning Commission is authorized, under Section 23.08.110 FMC, to study, promulgate, develop and update coordinated plans, including a Comprehensive Plan, for the physical development of the city as deemed necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals and the general welfare of the community; and to such end it may make recommendations to the City Council regarding the regulation of and restrictions on the use of land, the location, construction and use of buildings, and other related matters which are or might properly be incorporated into city ordinances dealing with zoning, building, plats and subdivisions, parks and annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to periodically review and update its Comprehensive Plan, as needed, to ensure consistency with the Growth Management Act, Puget Sound Regional Council VISION 2040 Growth Strategy, and the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to address future population and employment needs of the City, County, and Region as well as the objectives of a Countywide Center designation; and

WHEREAS, Land Use Element Goal 9 of the Comprehensive Plan states that the 19th and Mildred Countywide Center should be Fircrest's priority for accommodating growth as laid out under VISION 2040 and the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies and should provide a broad mix of commercial, cultural, and residential opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Capital Facilities Element Goal 1 of the Comprehensive Plan states the City is to provide and maintain adequate public facilities to meet the needs of existing and new development, and Goal 4 states the City is to provide needed public facilities within the City's ability to fund or within the City's authority to require others to provide; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a *Notice of Intent to Adopt* to the Washington State Department of Commerce July 16, 2020, which was issued to state agencies for a 60-day comment period as required pursuant to RCW 36A.70 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a *Determination of Nonsignificance/Incorporation by Reference of Environmental Documents, Adoption of Existing Environmental Documents* for the 2020 Amendments on September 11, 2020 with a 14-day

1 comment period ending September 28, 2020, and no adverse comments were
2 received; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the City held public outreach workshops related to increased
4 development intensity and adoption of a form-based code for the Commercial
Mixed-Use designation on January 21, 22, and 23, 2020; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission held a study session on the proposed
6 amendments on June 2, 2020; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the City Council and Planning Commission held a joint public
8 meeting to consider a virtual presentation and public input related to increased
9 development intensity and adoption of a form-based code for the Commercial
Mixed-Use designation on September 1, 2020; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on October
6, 2020 to accept public testimony and comment; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission has considered the factors listed in
12 Section 23.06.070 FMC and have determined that the amendments are in the
13 public interest, comply with the Growth Management Act, and not contrary to
the public health, safety, and welfare.

14 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Planning Commission of the City of
15 Fircrest hereby adopts all of the “whereas” section of this resolution as findings
and recommends to the City Council the following:

16 **Section 1.** Adoption of the proposed amendments Fircrest Comprehensive Plan
17 by incorporating the revisions as identified in Exhibit 3.

18 **MOVED AND ADOPTED** by the Planning Commission of the City of Fircrest on
19 the 6th day of October 2020 by the following vote:

20 YES: (-)

21 NOES: (-)

22 APPROVED:

23 _____
24 Sarah Hamel
25 Chair, Fircrest Planning Commission

26 ATTEST:

27 _____ Date
28 Anglie Stahlnecker
29 Planning/Building Administrator