## **RESOLUTION NO. 260**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, ENDORSING THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CASCADE AGENDA, OBSERVING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL GOALS FOR 2007-2008 REFLECT THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CASCADE AGENDA CITIES PROGRAM, AND DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "CASCADE AGENDA CITY" AND "GREEN CITY PARTNERSHIP" PROGRAMS.

**WHEREAS**, the Cascade Agenda is a century-long vision for the Central Cascade region of King, Pierce, Snohomish and Kittitas counties, and sets forth goals and strategies to conserve this region's natural character, create vibrant cities and towns, and ensure a strong economy, and

**WHEREAS**, the Cascade Land Conservancy has launched both the "Cascade Agenda City Program" and the "Green City Partnership Program" to recognize the relationship between the creation of great communities and the conservation of this region's ecology and working landscapes, and

**WHEREAS**, the population of the Central Puget Sound region is forecasted to grow from 3.3 million today to 5 million by the year 2040, with a corresponding increase in the population in central cities such as Shoreline, and

**WHEREAS**, in the face of significant long-term growth, the City of Shoreline's choices are not whether to grow or how much to grow, but rather how to manage growth in a way that maintains and enhances Shoreline's quality of life, and

**WHEREAS**, the core principles and objectives of the Cascade Agenda City Program are reflected in the City Council's adopted goals for 2007-2008, including:

- Goal 1 Complete the projects approved in the 2006 Parks Bond
- Goal 2 Implement the Economic Development Strategic Plan
- Goal 3 Implement an affordable civic center/city hall project
- Goal 4 Complete the Aurora improvements from N.165<sup>th</sup> Street to N. 205<sup>th</sup> Street, including, but not limited to, sidewalks, drainage, and transit
- Goal 5 Develop a comprehensive housing strategy
- Goal 6 Create an "environmentally sustainable community"
- Goal 7 Provide safe and affordable transportation options to support land use Plans including walking, bicycling, transit and vehicular options
- Goal 8 Develop a Fircrest Master Plan in partnership with the State

and.

**WHEREAS**, the Shoreline Planning Commission and Parks Board received a presentation on the Cascade Agenda on September 7, 2006 and the City Council received

presentations regarding the Cascade Agenda and the Cascade Agenda City and Green City Partnership programs on March 19, 2007, and May 21, 2007, and

**WHEREAS**, the long-term economic vitality, environmental health and natural beauty of the Central Cascades region is a vital interest to the citizens of Shoreline.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Shoreline endorses the vision articulated in the Cascade Agenda and shall pursue partnership with the Cascade Land Conservancy in both the "Cascade Agenda City" and "Green City Partnership" programs as a strategy to increase public awareness of and support for the implementation of Shoreline City Council Goals 1 through 8.

<u>Section 2.</u> The City of Shoreline will seek to align its policies and programs on community development, housing, transportation, parks, and open space with the strategies and approaches of the Cascade Agenda.

<u>Section 3.</u> The City Manager shall appoint a staff representative to act as the City's primary liaison with respect to Cascade Agenda related activities and shall provide periodic reports to the City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 11, 2007.