

RESOLUTION No. 2499

A RESOLUTION CLARIFYING THE STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR REQUIRING NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS ASSOCIATED WITH APPLICATIONS FOR PRELIMINARY PLATS AND SUBDIVISIONS

WHEREAS, Warrenton Comprehensive Plan Policy 7.330(1) calls for increasing recreational opportunities in the city; and

WHEREAS, Warrenton Comprehensive Plan Policy 7.330(6) calls for thought to be given to requiring new residential subdivisions to dedicate land for parks, pay fees in lieu of giving land or establishing privately owned and maintained recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Warrenton Parks Master Plan Community Vision states “We envision a parks system that enhances the livability of Warrenton while building our community’s health, wellness, and quality of life. Our parks system will promote social, cultural and historical activities while providing a natural environment for the enjoyment of all residents and visitors. The city of Warrenton recognizes the boost in human and social capital parks improvement and maintenance projects will provide its residents;” and

WHEREAS, these policies and vision are partially implemented by the general requirements of the Land Divisions and Lot Line Adjustments chapter of the city’s development code, specifically Warrenton Municipal Code 16.216.020.I which requires neighborhood parks be included in an easily accessible location within proposed subdivisions exceeding 50 lots “and is more than one mile of an existing park...” which is ambiguous in the manner of measuring that distance; and

WHEREAS, WMC 16.216.020.I is silent of the timing of such park development in subdivisions with multiple phases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF WARRENTON, OREGON, AS FOLLOWS:

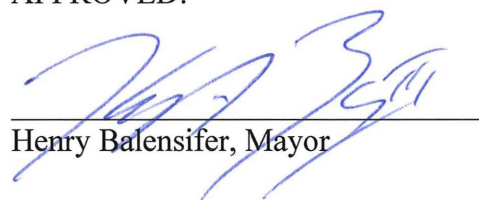
Section 1. Henceforth, the method of determining the proximity of a proposed subdivision to an existing park relative to WMC 16.216.020.I shall be from the approximate center of the proposed development by the shortest route to the edge of the existing park using an established or proposed street, road or pedestrian path.

Section 2. For subdivision applications that planned to be completed in phases, when the threshold for providing a neighborhood park is met, development of said park shall be


completed prior to the recordation the final plat of the second phase. Any additional required park development shall be completed prior to the recordation of the final plat of the last phase.

25th Passed by the City Commission and signed by me in authentication of its passage this day of July, 2017.

APPROVED:


Henry Balensifer, Mayor

ATTEST:


Dawne Shaw, Deputy City Recorder