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6 ORDINANCE NO. 2008-38s  
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9 **An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Repealing Chapter 19D.160 of the**  
10 **Pierce County Code, "Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan";**  
11 **Adopting a New Chapter 19D.160, "Park, Recreation and Open**  
12 **Space Plan"; Setting an Effective Date; and Adopting Findings of**  
13 **Fact.**  
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15 **Whereas**, the Growth Management Act (GMA) required Pierce County to  
16 develop, adopt, and implement a Comprehensive Plan, Revised Code of Washington  
17 (RCW) 36.70A.040; and  
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19 **Whereas**, pursuant to Chapter 36.70A RCW, Pierce County adopted Ordinance  
20 No. 94-82s on November 29, 1994, which enacted the 1994 Pierce County  
21 Comprehensive Plan; and  
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23 **Whereas**, RCW 36.70A.130 requires that the Pierce County Comprehensive  
24 Plan be subject to continuing review and evaluation and that any amendment or revision  
25 to the Comprehensive Plan must conform to the requirements of the GMA; and  
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27 **Whereas**, the Comprehensive Plan for Pierce County has been subsequently  
28 amended in 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007;  
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31 **Whereas**, RCW 36.70A.080 allows local jurisdictions to develop optional  
32 elements within comprehensive plans that may include subarea plans which are  
33 consistent with the comprehensive plan; and  
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35 **Whereas**, on June 13, 2002, the County Council adopted the "Pierce County  
36 Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan," codified as Chapter 19.90 of the Pierce  
37 County Code; and  
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1       **Whereas**, RCW 36.70A.130 allows consideration of Comprehensive Plan  
2 amendments more than once each year under the following circumstances: initial  
3 adoption of subarea plans, adoption or amendment of a shoreline master program, the  
4 amendment of the Capital Facilities Element of a Comprehensive Plan, which is heard  
5 concurrently with the Budget when an emergency exists, or to resolve an appeal of a  
6 Comprehensive Plan to the Growth Management Hearings Board; and  
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8       **Whereas**, the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO),  
9 which funds park, recreation and open space projects, requires jurisdictional applicants  
10 to have a current park, recreation and open space plan as a requisite to grant  
11 applications; and  
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13       **Whereas**, the Pierce County Parks and Recreation Citizens Advisory Board  
14 passed a Resolution on April 15, 2008, recommending approval of the "Park,  
15 Recreation and Open Space Plan for Pierce County", draft document dated April 2008,  
16 which updates and replaces the existing "Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan"; and  
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18       **Whereas**, Pierce County Code 2.78.020 requires that proposed plans related to  
19 the Comprehensive Plan, such as the "Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan for  
20 Pierce County," are reviewed by the Planning Commission in public hearings, and  
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22       **Whereas**, the Pierce County Planning Commission at its April 22, 2008, meeting  
23 unanimously approved a recommendation to approve the "Park, Recreation and Open  
24 Space Plan", draft document dated April 2008; and  
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26       **Whereas**, the Pierce County Council has determined that adopting the "Park,  
27 Recreation and Open Space Plan", will aid the community in developing new park sites,  
28 improving the quality of life, promoting health and fitness, preserving open space,  
29 promoting economic development through tourism, and protecting the public health,  
30 safety, and public interests; **Now Therefore**,

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32       **BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Pierce County:**  
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34       Section 1. The Pierce County Council hereby repeals Chapter 19D.160 of the  
35 Pierce County Code, "Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan".  
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37       Section 2. The Pierce County Council hereby adopts a new Chapter 19D.160,  
38 "Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan", as shown in Exhibit A, which is attached  
39 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.  
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1 Section 3. The Pierce County "Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan," as  
2 shown in Exhibit B, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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4 Section 4. Findings of Fact are hereby adopted as shown in Exhibit C, which is  
5 attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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7 Section 5. Appendix A: Existing Resources Section Maps, Appendix B: Park and  
8 Facility Inventory, Appendix C: Park and Facility Condition Assessment and Appendix  
9 D: Proposed Park System Classification are hereby adopted as shown in Exhibit D,  
10 which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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12 Section 6. If any provisions of this Ordinance or the amendments to Title 19D  
13 are found to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this  
14 Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

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16 Section 7. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be August 4, 2008.

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18 **PASSED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

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20 ATTEST:

**PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Pierce County, Washington

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25 **Denise D. Johnson**  
26 Clerk of the Council

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**Terry Lee**  
Council Chair

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30 **John W. Ladenburg**  
31 Pierce County Executive  
32 Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Vetoed \_\_\_\_\_, this  
33 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

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36 Date of Publication of  
37 Notice of Public Hearing: \_\_\_\_\_

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39 Effective Date of Ordinance: August 4, 2008

