March 5, 2020

The Honorable Bill Pugh
City of Sumner
1104 Maple Street, Suite 253
Sumner, WA 98390

Re:  City of Sumner Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review – Conditional Approval, Ordinance 2692

Dear Mayor Pugh:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the City of Sumner (City) for its efforts to complete the periodic review amendment of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP).

As we have already discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has identified specific changes necessary to make the proposal approvable. Both required and recommended changes are detailed in Attachment B. The findings and conclusions that support Ecology’s decision are contained in Attachment A.

Pursuant to RCW 90.58.090 (2)(e), at this point, the City may:

- Agree to the proposed changes (required and/or recommended changes), or
- Submit an alternative proposal. Ecology will then review the alternative(s) submitted for consistency with the purpose and intent of the changes originally developed by Ecology and with the Shoreline Management Act.

Final Ecology approval will occur when the City and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and Guideline requirements.

Please provide your written response within 30 days to the Director’s Office at the following address:

WA State Department of Ecology
Attention: Director’s Office
PC Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504-6700
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Ecology appreciates the dedicated work that the City Council, City Planner Scott Waller, and the Planning Commission put into the Shoreline Master Program update.

We look forward to concluding the SMP update process in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the changes identified by Ecology, please contact our Regional Planner, Sarah Cassal, at Sarah.Cassal@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 407-7459.

Sincerely,

Laura Watson  
Director

Enclosures (3)

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