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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 03-070

RELATING TO GROWTH MANAGEMENT, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 93-004 TO  
AMEND COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICY UG-15 PURSUANT TO THE SNOHOMISH  
COUNTY TOMORROW STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION, AND  
AMENDING SCC 30.10.050

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council's Vision 2020 1995 Update, adopted by elected officials, includes Policy RG-1 on urban growth, which encourages locating development in UGAs to conserve natural resources and enable efficient provision of services and facilities; and

WHEREAS the Growth Management Act (GMA) at RCW 36.70A.210(2) requires adoption of countywide planning policies that consist of written policy statements used for establishing a countywide framework from which county and city comprehensive plans are developed and adopted under the GMA; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.210 also requires that countywide planning policies govern interjurisdictional collaboration between counties and cities that plan under the GMA; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County has adopted countywide planning policies in Ordinance No. 93-004 on February 4, 1993, and later amended those policies in Ordinance No. 94-002 on February 2, 1994; Ordinance No. 95-005 on February 15, 1995; Ordinance No. 95-110 on December 20, 1995; Ordinance No. 98-054 on July 15, 1998; Ordinance No. 99-120 on January 19, 2000; and Amended Ordinance No. 99-121 on February 16, 2000; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.350 authorizes jurisdictions to establish a process for reviewing proposals to create new fully contained communities located outside of urban growth areas; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County's countywide planning policies contain criteria for consideration of fully contained communities in Policy UG-15; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) of Snohomish County Tomorrow reviewed the proposal to amend Countywide Planning Policy UG-15 on April 17, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Tomorrow Steering Committee reviewed and recommended the PAC's recommendation on May 28, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Council held a public hearing on July 2, 2003, July 9, 2003 and August 13, 2003, and approved the proposed amendments to Policy UG-15, as recommended by SCT;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. The County Council makes the following findings and conclusions:

A. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

B. The amendment to UG-15 provided for in this ordinance is consistent with RG-1 of the Vision 2020 1995 Update and the requirements of the GMA, including but not limited to provisions relating to interjurisdictional coordination and adoption of countywide planning policies.

C. The amendment to the countywide planning policies is consistent with Vision 2020 and the Vision 2020 1995 Update.

D. Appropriate public participation has been provided through the SCT process and through a public hearing on this ordinance held after public notice on July 9 and August 13, 2003.

E. Requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act have been met through the issuance of Addendum No. 5 to the Vision 2020 Final Environmental Impact Statement on July 16, 2003.

Section 2. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 93-004, adopted February 4, 1993, is amended by amending UG-15 contained in the document entitled "Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County" dated February 4, 1993, and last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 99-121 on February 16, 2000, as follows:

UG-15      ~~Consider now, fully contained communities only if densities, availability of developable land, and capital facilities indicate that existing cities, towns, and their designated urban growth areas cannot accommodate the 20-year growth forecast. Allow consideration of a Fully Contained Community so long as the population allocation to cities, towns, and UGA's plus the FCC does not exceed the high range of the 20 year urban allocated growth forecast.~~

a. The County may amend its comprehensive plan to incorporate criteria, not inconsistent with RCW 36.70A.350 for considering and acting upon individual FCC proposals. These criteria shall include as a minimum, but need not be limited to:

(1) New infrastructure is provided for and impact fees are established.

(2) Transit-oriented site planning and traffic demand management programs are implemented.

(3) Buffers are provided between the new fully contained communities and adjacent urban development.

(4) A mix of uses is provided to offer jobs, housing, and services to the residents of the new community.

(5) Affordable housing is provided within the new community for a broad range of income levels.

(6) Environmental protection has been addressed and provided.

(7) Development regulations are established to ensure urban growth will not occur in adjacent nonurban areas.

(8) Provision is made to mitigate impacts on designated agricultural lands, forest lands, and mineral resource lands.

(9) The plan for the new fully contained community is consistent with the county's development regulations established for the protection of critical areas.

b. The County will notify the appropriate city (cities) when an FCC will be considered and consult with the city (cities) during the consideration of the FCC.

Section 3. Snohomish County Code Section 30.10.050, adopted by Amended Ordinance 02-064 on November 9, 2002, is amended to read:

30.10.050 Countywide and multi-county planning policies.

(1) Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.210(2), Snohomish County has adopted countywide planning policies (CPPs) that establish the framework for county and city comprehensive plans as follows:

- (a) Ordinance No. 93-004, adopted on February 4, 1993 (adopting CPPs);
- (b) Ordinance No. 94-002, adopted on February 2, 1994 (amending Policies UG-4, HO-7, OD-2);
- (c) Amended Ordinance No. 95-005, adopted on February 15, 1995 (amending Policy UG-2);
- (d) Ordinance No. 95-110, adopted on December 20, 1995 (amending Policy UG-2, Appendix B);
- (e) Ordinance No. 98-054, adopted July 15, 1998 (amending Policy TR-12, adding Policy TR-13);

(f) Amended Ordinance No. 99-120, adopted on January 19, 2000 (adding Policy OD-12); and

(g) Amended Ordinance No. 99-121, adopted on February 16, 2000 (amending Policies UG-14, HO-9, and ED-3); and

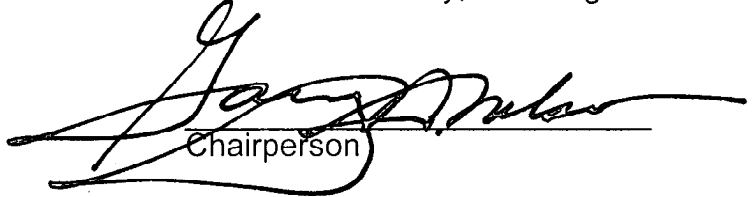
(h) Amended Ordinance No. 03-070, adopted on December 10, 2003 (amending UG-15).

(2) Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.210(7), Snohomish County participated with King, Pierce, and Kitsap counties in the development and adoption of multi-county planning policies. These policies were adopted by the Puget Sound Regional Council on March 11, 1993 by Resolution A-93-02 and were updated by Resolution PSRC-A-95-02 on May 25, 1995.

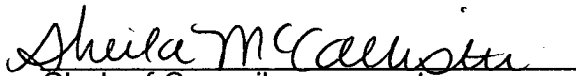
Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

PASSED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
Snohomish County, Washington

  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of Council asst.

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County Executive

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