SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON



AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 99-120

AMENDING ORDINANCE 93-004 to ADD A NEW COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICY OD-12 PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY TOMORROW STEERING COMMITTEE AND THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT

WHEREAS, Snohomish County's General Policy Plan, adopted pursuant to the Growth Management Act, includes Policy IC 1.B.5 which states that the county will not support any proposed annexation of unincorporated lands in the county by a city or special district situated predominantly outside of Snohomish County unless and until an annexation agreement has been signed by the county and the district or city; and

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council's Vision 2020 1995 Update, adopted by elected officials, includes Policy RC-2.2 which states that proposed annexations near county borders should include collaboration and proposal review by the neighboring county in order to ensure proper expansion and interjurisdictional cooperation; and

WHEREAS, a recent proposal by a city located in King County to annex a large area of land in Snohomish County without a cross-county interlocal agreement caused Fire District No. 7 and Snohomish County to raise issues before the Boundary Review Board related to emergency medical services, fire protection, police protection, emergency radio communication, solid waste disposal, road impact mitigation, compatible land-use regulations and other documented concerns; and

WHEREAS, the GMA at RCW 36.70A.210(2) requires adoption of a countywide planning policy, which consists of written policy statements used for establishing a county-wide framework from which county and city comprehensive plans are developed and adopted under the GMA; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County has adopted countywide planning policies in Ordinance 93-004 on February 4, 1993, and later amended those policies in Ordinance 94-002 on February 2, 1994, Ordinance 95-005 on February 15, 1995, Ordinance 95-110 on December 20, 1995 and Ordinance 98-054 on July 15, 1998; and

WHEREAS, it was generally agreed by Snohomish County and its cities and towns that this recent cross-county annexation proposal highlighted the need to amend Snohomish County's Countywide Planning Policies by adding a policy regarding cross-county boundary annexations in order to protect the best interests of Snohomish County cities and residents; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) of Snohomish County Tomorrow developed a proposed amendment to the Countywide Planning Policies to add a new policy which would ensure that an interlocal agreement is in place before a

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cross-county boundary annexation can be submitted to the Boundary Review Board; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Tomorrow Steering Committee reviewed three alternative proposals (Snohomish County's version, the PAC alternative, and the City Managers and Administrators, County Executive and Council Staff Group alternative) on April 28, 1999, and accepted the County's version on May 26, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Council held a public hearing on January 19, 2000 to consider the addition of Countywide Planning Policy OD-12;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1 of Ordinance 93-004, adopted February 4, 1993, and last amended by Ordinance 98-054 on July 15, 1998, is amended to add a new Countywide Planning Policy OD-12 to the document entitled "Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County", dated February 4, 1993, which was adopted, attached to, and incorporated by reference in Section 1 of Ordinance 93-004:

An interlocal agreement between Snohomish County and any jurisdiction determined necessary by the County shall be in place for proposed annexation of unincorporated lands in Snohomish County by a city or special district situated predominately outside of Snohomish County. This agreement shall address and substantially resolve issues of land use, applicable development regulations, permit processing, public service delivery, facilities financing, transportation, concurrency management, mitigation payments, public infrastructure maintenance/improvement shortfalls and any other similar jurisdictional issues identified by the County, the city or district proposing the annexation, and any jurisdiction affected by the proposed annexation. Such agreement shall be approved prior to the city or district submitting a Notice of Intention to Annex to the County Boundary Review Board or, if not subject to Boundary Review Board review, prior to approval of the annexation to the city or special district.

<u>Section 2</u> 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 19TH day of January, 2000.

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