

RESOLUTION NO. 986

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, ACKNOWLEDGING ITS APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES FOR CONSISTENCY WITH VISION 2050 AND THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH PIERCE COUNTY AND ITS CITIES AND TOWNS THEREBY RATIFYING THE COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Regional Council was created in 1992 by interlocal agreement among the cities and towns of Pierce County and Pierce County, and charged with responsibilities, including: Serving as a local link to the Puget Sound Regional Council, promoting intergovernmental cooperation, facilitating compliance with the coordination and consistency requirements of the Growth Management Act (GMA) (Chapter 36.70A RCW) and the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (Chapter 47.80 RCW), and developing a consensus among jurisdictions regarding the development and modification of the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) are written policy statements which are to be used solely for establishing a countywide framework from which the County and municipal comprehensive plans are developed and adopted; and

WHEREAS, the framework is intended to ensure that the County and municipal comprehensive plans are consistent as required by the Growth Management Act; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 1992, the Pierce County Council adopted the initial CPPs; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Growth Management Coordinating Committee (GMCC) is a technical subcommittee to the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) and the includes staff representatives from the County and the cities and towns within Pierce County; and

WHEREAS, the PCRC, based on the recommendations from the GMCC and its own discussions, recommended approval of the proposed amendments at its December 16, 2021 meeting; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies must be adopted through amendment of the original interlocal agreement or by a new interlocal agreement ratified by sixty percent of the jurisdictions in Pierce County representing seventy-five percent of the total population; and

WHEREAS, demonstration of ratification shall be by execution of an interlocal agreement or the absence of a legislative action to disapprove a proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, an Interlocal Agreement entitled "Amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies" has been developed for this purpose, and is included as **Exhibit B** to Pierce County Ordinance No. 2022-29; and

WHEREAS, a jurisdiction shall be deemed as casting an affirmative vote if it has not taken legislative action to disapprove a proposed amendment within 180 days from the date the Pierce County Council formally authorizes the Pierce County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement; and

WHEREAS, when ratified by the necessary number of cities and towns, section 19D.240 of the Pierce County Code (PCC) "Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies" shall be amended without the need for a subsequent ordinance of the County Council; and

WHEREAS, the pursuant to 43.21C RCW the Pierce County Environmental Official issued an Addendum to the Vision 2050 Environmental Impact Statement on March 23, 2022 and;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of University Place held a study session on August 1, 2022 to consider the proposed countywide planning policy amendments to incorporate annexation policies into the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the public interest to authorize the City Manager to execute the interlocal amendments with the County and its cities and towns thereby ratifying the proposed amendments to the Pierce County CPPs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The University Place City Council acknowledges its approval of the amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies recommended by the Pierce County Regional Council and approved by the County Council, which are attached as Exhibit A to Pierce County Ordinance 2022-29 and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Authorization. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the Interlocal Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit B to Pierce County Ordinance No. 2022-29 and by this reference incorporated herein, thereby ratifying the attached amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies as recommended by the Pierce County Regional Council and approved by the County Council.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon signing.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2022.

Steve Worthington, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emelita J. Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Matthew S. Kaser, City Attorney