

RESOLUTION NO. 1591

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FIFE, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH PIERCE COUNTY, THERE BY RATIFYING THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the State of Washington Growth Management Act, Pierce County adopted Countywide Planning Policies in 1992; and

WHEREAS, since that time the Countywide Planning Policies have been amended on occasion to address new and changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, in May 2008, the Puget Sound Regional Council adopted VISION 2040 at its General Assembly meeting; and

WHEREAS, VISION 2040 is the Puget Sound region's multi-county planning policies; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies are required to be consistent with VISION 2040; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies have been prepared that provide for consistency between VISION 2040, the central Puget Sound region's multi-county planning policies and the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Regional Council recommended adoption of the proposed amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies on April 21, 2011; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies must be adopted by interlocal agreement ratified by 60 percent of the jurisdictions in Pierce County representing at least 75 percent of the total Pierce County population; and

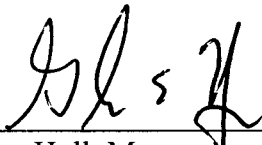
WHEREAS, an Interlocal Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A was developed for this purpose, and includes the recommended amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies as an attachment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fife City Council hereby finds that these proposed amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies of Pierce County are in the best

interests of the public, the City of Fife and Pierce County and thereby approves the proposed amendments.


BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fife City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A 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.

ADOPTED by the City Council at an open public meeting held on the 25th day of February 2014.



Glenn Hull, Mayor

Attest:



Carol Etgen, City Clerk

1 Sponsored by: Councilmembers Rick Talbert and Stan Flemming
2 Requested by: Executive/Planning and Land Services

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ORDINANCE NO. 2013-53s

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An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Acknowledging Its Approval of a Proposed Amendment to Incorporate Criteria for the Designation of Centers of Local Importance in the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies as Recommended by the Pierce County Regional Council; Authorizing the Pierce County Executive to Execute Interlocal Agreements with the Cities and Towns of Pierce County to Ratify the Proposed Amendments; and Adopting Findings of Fact.

Whereas, the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) was created in 1992 by interlocal agreement among the cities and towns of Pierce County and Pierce County Government (the 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 (Chapter 36.70A., Revised Code of Washington [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; and

Whereas, the County adopted its initial CPPs on June 30, 1992; and

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

Whereas, the PCRC, based upon the recommendation from the GMCC and its own discussions, recommended approval of the proposal at its March 21, 2013 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



1 interlocal agreement ratified by 60 percent of member jurisdictions in Pierce County
2 representing 75 percent of the total population; and

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4 **Whereas**, demonstration of ratification shall be by execution of an interlocal
5 agreement or the absence of a legislative action to disapprove a proposed amendment;
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8 **Whereas**, an Interlocal Agreement entitled "Amendments to the Pierce County
9 Countywide Planning Policies" has been developed for this purpose, and is included as
10 Exhibit B to this Ordinance; and

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

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17 **Whereas**, when ratified by the necessary number of cities and towns, Section
18 19D.240 of the Pierce County Code (PCC), "Pierce County Countywide Planning
19 Policies", shall be amended by a subsequent ordinance of the County Council to
20 incorporate the recommended proposal; and

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22 **Whereas**, the Pierce County Planning Commission, at its May 28, 2013, regular
23 public hearing, reviewed the proposed amendments to the Pierce County Countywide
24 Planning Policies and recommended denial; and

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26 **Whereas**, an environmental review of the proposed amendments to the Pierce
27 County Countywide Planning Policies was conducted pursuant to Chapter 43.21C RCW
28 and a Determination of Nonsignificance was issued on June 26, 2013; and

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30 **Whereas**, after a properly noticed public hearing, the Community Development
31 Committee of the Pierce County Council considered oral and written testimony and
32 forwarded its recommendation to the full County Council; and

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34 **Whereas**, the County Council held a public hearing on September 10, 2013,
35 where oral and written testimony was considered; and

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37 **Whereas**, the County Council finds that it is in the public interest to authorize the
38 Pierce County Executive to execute the interlocal agreement; **Now Therefore**,

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40 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of Pierce County:

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42 Section 1. The Pierce County Council acknowledges its approval of the
43 amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies recommended by the
44 Pierce County Regional Council as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and
45 incorporated herein by reference.
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1 Section 2. The Pierce County Council authorizes the Pierce County Executive to
2 execute Interlocal Agreements as set forth in Exhibit B, which is attached hereto and
3 incorporated herein by reference, thereby ratifying the attached amendments to the
4 Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies as recommended by the Pierce County
5 Regional Council.

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7 Section 3. The Pierce County Council adopts Findings of Fact as shown in
8 Exhibit C, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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10 PASSED this 24th day of September, 2013.

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12 ATTEST:

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL
Pierce County, Washington

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16 Denise D. Johnson
17 Denise D. Johnson
18 Clerk of the Council

Joyce McDonald
Joyce McDonald
Council Chair

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21 Pat McCarthy
22 Pat McCarthy
23 Pierce County Executive
24 Approved Vetoed , this
25 2 day of October,
26 2013.

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28 Date of Publication of

29 Notice of Public Hearing: August 14, 2013

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31 Effective Date of Ordinance: October 12, 2013

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Proposed Amendment
to the
Pierce County Countywide Planning
to
Incorporate Criteria for the Designation
of
Centers of Local Importance



1 All text shown below is new.

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4 **Centers of Local Importance (CoLI) – Page 60:**

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6 ***Introduction language***

7 CoLIs are designated for the purpose of identifying local centers and activity nodes that are
8 consistent with VISION 2040's Multi-county Planning Policies. Such areas promote compact,
9 pedestrian-oriented development with a mix of uses, proximity to diverse services, and a variety
10 of appropriate housing options, or be in an established industrial area.

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12 **Rural Areas – Page 62:**

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14 Rur-21. A CoLI may be located in a rural designated area.

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16 21.1 A CoLI within a rural area shall encompass similar design features as
17 identified in UGA-48 through UGA-52.

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19 21.2 To be officially recognized, a CoLI within a rural area shall meet the same
20 implementation strategy/process as set forth in UGA-53 through UGA-55.

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22 **Starting on Page 81:**

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24 ***Introduction language***

25 CoLIs are designated for the purpose of identifying local centers and activity nodes that are
26 consistent with VISION 2040's Multicounty Planning Policies. Such areas promote compact,
27 pedestrian-oriented development with a mix of uses, proximity to diverse services, and a variety
28 of appropriate housing options, or be in an established industrial area.

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30 **Urban Growth Areas - Page 104:**

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32 ***Centers of Local Importance (CoLI)***

33 ***Concepts and Principles***

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35 UGA-49. A CoLI may be located in either an urban or rural area, and shall include activities
36 that provide a focal point or sense of place for a community and its surrounding
37 area.

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39 ***Design Features of CoLIs***

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41 UGA-50. A CoLI is characterized by a concentration of land uses or activities that provide a
42 sense of place or gathering place for the community and neighborhood residents.
43 A CoLI should include one or more the following characteristics:

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45 50.1 Civic services
46 50.2 Commercial areas
47 50.3 Recreational areas



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- 50.4 Industrial areas
- 50.5 Cultural facilities/activities
- 50.6 Historic buildings or sites
- 50.7 Residential areas

UGA-51. The size of a CoLI and the mix and density of uses are to be locally determined to meet community goals.

UGA-52. Each jurisdiction shall define the role that the CoLI plays in supporting planned growth.

UGA-53. A variety of appropriate transportation options and pedestrian-friendly design should be available or planned within a CoLI.

Implementation Strategies

UGA-54. A CoLI shall be locally adopted; approval by the PCRC or other regional organization shall not be required.

- 54.1 A jurisdiction shall document how an area meets the Design Features (UGA-48 through UGA-52) of a CoLI in its comprehensive plan.
- 54.2 The documentation should include examples, plans, or other information that supports the designation of a CoLI.
- 54.3 An area adopted as a CoLI shall be definitively delineated on a map within a jurisdiction's comprehensive plan.
- 54.4 A CoLI shall have appropriate land use designations, zoning regulations, and infrastructure plans for existing and planned development.
- 54.5 A comprehensive plan that utilizes an alternative label to refer to a CoLI shall be accompanied with adopted findings of fact that recognizes the area as a CoLI per the Pierce County CPPs.

UGA-55. A jurisdiction shall provide the PCRC notice of its intention to locally adopt a CoLI or recognize formally adopted CoLIs that meet the criteria.

- 55.1 The notice shall be provided to the PCRC 60 days (minimum) prior to the expected dated of adoption.
- 55.2 The notice shall provide information that identifies the location of the proposed CoLI and documents how the location meets the CoLI policies.

UGA-56. A locally adopted CoLI shall be recognized in Appendix B of the CPPs.

- 56.1 Jurisdictions shall forward a map of locally adopted CoLIs together with the comprehensive plan citations to the PCRC for inclusion into Appendix B. The adopted CoLIs shall be attached to the CPP publications as Appendix B for ease of reference. Appendix B shall not be considered a component of the CPPs and, accordingly, an update to Appendix B shall not constitute an amendment to the CPPs requiring ratification by Pierce County jurisdictions.



INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

**AMENDMENTS TO THE PIERCE COUNTY
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES**

This agreement is entered into by and among the cities and towns of Pierce County and Pierce County. This agreement is made pursuant to the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1967, Chapter 39.34 RCW. This agreement has been authorized by the legislative body of each jurisdiction pursuant to formal action and evidenced by execution of the signature page of this agreement.

BACKGROUND:

- A. The Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) was created in 1992 by interlocal agreement among the cities and towns of Pierce County and Pierce County. The organization is 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 (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 Countywide Planning Policies.
- B. The Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies provide for amendments to be adopted through amendment of the original interlocal agreement, or by a new interlocal agreement. The Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies may be amended upon the adoption of amendments by the Pierce County Council and ratification by 60 percent of the jurisdictions in Pierce County representing 75 percent of the total Pierce County population as designated by the State Office of Financial Management at the time of the proposed ratification.
- C. A demonstration of ratification shall be by execution of an interlocal agreement or the absence of a legislative action to disapprove a proposed amendment.
- D. 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.
- E. The amendment incorporates new policies that set criteria and a process for the formal recognition of areas that serve as important centers within Pierce County communities. This formal recognition may be used in future countywide project evaluations.
- F. The Pierce County Regional Council recommended adoption of the proposed amendment on March 21, 2013.



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PURPOSE:

This agreement is entered into by the cities and towns of Pierce County and Pierce County for the purpose of ratifying and approving the attached amendment to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies (Attachment).

DURATION:

This agreement shall become effective upon execution by 60 percent of the jurisdictions in Pierce County, representing 75 percent of the total Pierce County population as designated by the State Office of Financial Management at the time of the proposed ratification. This agreement will remain in effect until subsequently amended or repealed as provided by the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies.

SEVERABILITY:

If any of the provisions of this agreement are held illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

FILING:

A copy of this agreement shall be filed with the Secretary of State, Washington Department of Commerce, the Pierce County Auditor, and each city and town clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this agreement has been executed by each member jurisdiction as evidenced by the signature page affixed to this agreement.

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INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
AMENDMENTS TO THE PIERCE COUNTY
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES

Signature Page

The legislative body of the undersigned jurisdiction has authorized execution of the Interlocal Agreement, Amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

This agreement has been executed by _____
(Name of City/Town/County)

BY: _____
(Mayor/Executive)

DATE: _____

Approved:

BY: _____
(Director/Manager/Chair of County Council)

Approved as to Form:

BY: _____
(City Attorney/Prosecutor)

Approved:

BY: _____
(Pierce County Executive)

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Pierce County Council finds that:

- 1. The Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) was created in 1992 by interlocal agreement among the cities and towns of Pierce County and Pierce County Government (the County), and charged with responsibilities, including: Serving as a local link to the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), 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 Countywide Planning Policies.
- 2. The GMA required the County to adopt a countywide planning policy in cooperation with the cities and towns located within Pierce County.
- 3. The Countywide Planning Policies are to be used for establishing a county-wide framework from which the comprehensive plans for Pierce County and the cities and towns within Pierce County are developed and adopted.
- 4. On June 30, 1992, the Pierce County Council passed No. Ordinance 92-74 adopting the initial Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies.
- 5. The GMA requires the central Puget Sound region to adopt multi-county planning policies.
- 6. The PSRC membership is comprised of central Puget Sound counties (King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap), cities and towns, ports, tribes, and transit agencies.
- 7. The PSRC is the regional authority to adopt multi-county planning policies.
- 8. The PSRC adopted VISION 2040 at its May 2008 General Assembly meeting.
- 9. VISION 2040 is the central Puget Sound region's multi-county planning policies.
- 10. VISION 2040 recognizes "many secondary hubs and concentrations of development also serve important roles as places for concentrating jobs, housing, shopping, and recreational opportunities."
- 11. VISION 2040 recognizes "small neighborhood centers and even activity hubs that serve as the crossroads in cities and communities of all sizes are also key in implementing a centers-based approach to development in the region."
- 12. VISION 2040 policy MPP-DP-13 "directs subregional funding, especially county-level and local funds, to centers designated through countywide processes, as well as town centers, and other activity nodes."
- 13. The PCRC directed the Growth Management Coordinating Committee to recommend policies to designate Centers of Local Importance (CoLI).

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- 14. The GMCC recommended new policies that set criteria and a process for the formal recognition of areas that serve as important centers within Pierce County communities.
- 15. This formal recognition may be used in future countywide project evaluations.
- 16. Designated CoLI may be incorporated into scoring criteria for the future distribution of subregional funding.
- 17. The PCRC based upon the recommendation from the GMCC, and its own discussions, recommended approval of the proposal at their March 21, 2013 meeting.
- 18. The Pierce County Planning Commission recommended denial of the proposal at its May 28, 2013 meeting.
- 19. The Pierce County Planning Commission recommendation to disapprove the proposal was the result of a tie vote (2-2).
- 20. An environmental review of the proposed amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies was conducted pursuant to Chapter 43.21C RCW, and a Determination of Nonsignificance was issued on June 26, 2013.
- 21. The Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies include provisions addressing procedures for amending the Countywide Planning Policies.
- 22. The Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies require amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies to be adopted through an amendment of the original Interlocal Agreement or by a new interlocal agreement. The amendment will become effective when 60 percent of the cities, towns, and the County, representing 75 percent of the total population as designated by the State Office of Financial Management at the time of the proposed ratification become signatories to the agreement.
- 23. A demonstration of ratification shall be by execution of an interlocal agreement or the absence of a legislative action to disapprove a proposed amendment.
- 24. 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.
- 25. The Community Development Committee of the County Council, after a properly noticed public hearing, considered oral and written testimony, and forwarded its recommendation to the full Council.
- 26. The County Council held a public hearing on September 10, 2013, where oral and written testimony was considered.
- 27. It is in support of the amendment for providing consistency between the Pierce Countywide Planning Policies and VISION 2040.

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28. A subsequent ordinance of the County Council shall be necessary to acknowledge the ratification process and amend Section 19D.240 PCC, "Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies".
29. It is in the public interest to authorize the Pierce County Executive to execute the interlocal agreements.

