

RESOLUTION NO. 1049

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AMENDMENT OF THE CITY'S ALLOCATED GROWTH TARGETS UNDER PIERCE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2011-36S, PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR REGIONAL PLANNING PURPOSES TO OTHER SMALL CITIES WITHIN PIERCE COUNTY, AND REQUESTING PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL TO PROCESS AMENDMENTS TO THE 2030 ALLOCATED GROWTH TARGETS.

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1990, the Growth Management Act (GMA) became effective (Chapter 36.70A Revised Code of Washington); and

WHEREAS, GMA requires Pierce County and cities and towns within Pierce County to plan for projected needs, based upon projected population growth, in the Land Use, Housing, Capital Facilities, and Transportation elements of a jurisdiction's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (RCW 36.70A070); and

WHEREAS, the GMA directs the Puget Sound region to adopt multi-county planning policies; and

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) membership is comprised of central Puget Sound counties (King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap), cities and towns, ports, tribes, and transit agencies and serves as the regional authority to adopt multi-county planning policies; and

WHEREAS, in April 2008 the PSRC adopted VISION 2040 as a regional strategy to establish a common vision integrating growth management, environmental, economic and transportation strategy; and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive plans of Pierce County and Pierce County cities and towns must be consistent with VISION 2040; and

WHEREAS, VISION 2040 requires Pierce County and Pierce County cities and towns to adopt housing unit and employment targets; and

WHEREAS, VISION 2040's Regional Growth Strategy categorizes jurisdictions into one of six regional geographies; and

WHEREAS, VISION 2040's Regional Growth Strategy identifies a growth share for population and employment per regional geography; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Regional Council is a multi-jurisdictional group comprised of elected officials who represent the County and Pierce County cities and

towns; and

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

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Council adopted Ordinance 2011-36s on July 19, 2011 establishing the 2030 Pierce County Population, Housing unit, and Employment targets for GMA Planning purposes; and

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2015 the City of Gig Harbor adopted its 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update, pursuant to the GMA, VISION 2040, and the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2016 the PSRC Executive Board conditionally certified the City's Comprehensive Plan with a requirement to address inconsistencies identified in the PSRC Staff report relating to the City's pipeline employment growth identified in the Transportation Element; and

WHEREAS, other small cities in Pierce County received conditional certification from PSRC related to their 2015 Periodic Review surrounding a variety of issues, largely related to planning associated with the adopted growth targets of Ordinance 2011-36s, Pierce County Buildable Lands Report, and market growth trends since adoption of VISION; and

WHEREAS, a subcommittee of the Pierce County Growth Management Coordinating Committee was formed of all small cities in Pierce County to discuss in detail reallocating adopted growth targets under Pierce County Ordinance 2011-36s; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Small Cities Reallocation Meetings occurred on June 12, August 11 and September 19th, 2016 with representatives from Bonney Lake, Carbonado, Dupont, Edgewood, Fircrest, Gig Harbor, Pacific, Pierce County, PSRC, Ruston, Roy, South Prairie, Steilacoom, Sumner, and Wilkeson; and

WHEREAS, the subcommittee established the following parameters on reallocating adopted growth targets that included keeping the target year at 2030, shifting employment and/or population targets between small cities as desired, and requesting the Pierce County Regional Council and Pierce County Council to update Ordinance 2011-36s; and

WHEREAS, future updates to the City's functional and comprehensive plans may be necessary for regional planning consistency; and

WHEREAS, the total growth allocation for small cities allocations identified in Pierce County Ordinance 2011-36s was not amended; and

WHEREAS, amending the cities' employment growth targets will assist in meeting the

Regional Growth Strategy identified in VISION 2040; and

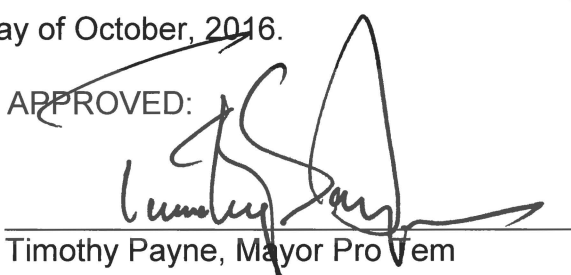
WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor proposes securing a total of 235 Employment Growth targets to add to the previously adopted targets under Pierce County Ordinance 2011-36s; Now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Growth Target Reallocation. The City of Gig Harbor hereby accepts an additional 235 Employment Growth Targets, amending the 2030 allocated growth targets under Pierce County Ordinance 2011-36s, and supports Pierce County Council in processing a final amendment to Pierce County Ordinance 2011-36s.

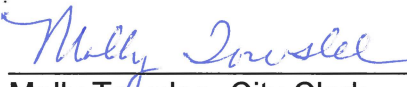
PASSED by the City Council this 10th day of October, 2016.

APPROVED:



Timothy Payne, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Molly Towslee, City Clerk

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