

RESOLUTION NO. 1037

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN INITIAL WORK PROGRAM FOR THE 2017 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION FROM THE PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor plans under the Washington State Growth Management Act, codified at chapter 36.70A RCW (GMA); and

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2015 the City adopted its 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update, pursuant to the GMA; and

WHEREAS, the update met all requirements for compliance with the Washington State Growth Management Act and State Environmental Policy Act; and

WHEREAS, no comments, appeals or compliance issues were filed during the 60 day comment period after adoption; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2016 Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) issued a "Plan Review Report and Certification Recommendation", attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, pages six and seven of Exhibit A outlines PSRC comments on the City's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2016 the PSRC Executive Board conditionally certified the City's Comprehensive Plan with a requirement to address inconsistency in the Transportation Element; and

WHEREAS, the conditional certification authorizes the City to participate in the PSRC funding process and to proceed with and submit projects into the Regional Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to address the issues raised in the PSRC conditional certification report identified on pages six and seven of Exhibit A, and as set forth in this Resolution; Now, therefore,

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

Section 1. Planning Work Program. The City Planning and Public Works Departments are directed to review and update the Comprehensive Plan consistent with VISION 2040, and the Pierce County Countywide Adopted Growth Targets. The 2017 Annual

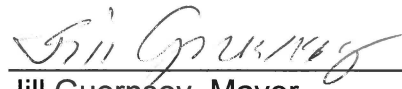
Comprehensive Plan Update will include, but is not limited to, addressing the following items:

1. Clarify policy support for the Regional Growth Strategy.
2. Update and adjust growth assumptions in the Travel Demand Model, factoring in any decline in pipeline development.
3. Identify and prioritize strategies the City will take to manage growth and work toward better alignment with the Regional Growth Strategy including:
 - a) Adding policy language directing the City to evaluate future plan and zoning amendments to ensure consistency with the regional growth strategy; and
 - b) Calling for the continuation and implementation of Goals 13.3 and 13.5 to ensure growth pays for growth and avoid incentives for additional growth above and beyond the adopted 20 year targets.
4. Continue to work with the Puget Sound Regional Council, and in coordination with other cities and Pierce County, as appropriate, to address the conditions for regional certification of the comprehensive plan described in the February 25, 2016, Certification Report.


Section 2. The City is committed to working toward fully addressing the conditions for regional certification of its comprehensive plan by December 31, 2017, including submittal of an amended comprehensive plan and supporting materials to PSRC.

PASSED by the City Council this 23rd day of May, 2016.

APPROVED:


Jill Guernsey, Mayor

ATTEST:


Molly Towslee, City Clerk

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