

RESOLUTION NO. 1124

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT FOR PIERCE COUNTY TO AMEND THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR'S ASSOCIATED URBAN GROWTH AREA BY REMOVING A PORTION OF THE EAST BAY URBAN GROWTH AREA.

WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.110 required counties to designate urban growth areas in which urban growth shall be encouraged; and

WHEREAS, under RCW 36.70A.110 an urban growth area may include territory that is located outside of a city only if such territory already is characterized by urban growth whether or not the urban growth area includes a city, or is adjacent to territory already characterized by urban growth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor adopted Pierce County's established Urban Growth Area (UGA) that included the East Bay UGA under Ordinance No. 686 on November 28, 1994; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Gig Harbor to review Urban Growth Areas every five years under Policy No. 2.1.4(b) of the comprehensive plan and to consider making adjustments as appropriate which account for projected population rate changes, available service capacity, and changes which reflect community desires or goals; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 Pierce County requested the City to work with Pierce County to address excess urban capacity in the City's associated urban growth area; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies in *Amendments and Transition*, Policy 2.4, provides in part: "any lands proposed to be removed from the urban growth area shall be rural in character and not require any urban level infrastructure or service needs"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor does not have any existing urban infrastructure or provide service to the southerly portion of the East Bay UGA shown on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, and finds that such portion of the East Bay UGA is rural in character; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor desires to request removal of the southerly portion of the East Bay UGA from the City's associated urban growth area, and further desires to work with Pierce County to support such removal; Now, therefore,

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

Section 1. Request to Process Pierce County Comprehensive Plan Amendment removing portion of the East Bay UGA from the City of Gig Harbor's Associated Urban Growth Area. The City Council of the City of Gig Harbor respectfully requests Pierce County to remove the portion of the East Bay UGA shown for removal on Exhibit A from the City's associated Urban Growth Area and further directs City Staff to work with Pierce County to process the amendment.

APPROVED by the City Council this 23rd day of July, 2018.

APPROVED:



Mayor Kit Kuhn

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



City Clerk Molly Towslee

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the City Attorney



Angela Summerfield, City Attorney

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