

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<u>Meeting Date:</u>	May 17, 2023
<u>Name of Agenda Item:</u>	Schedule for the Review of UGAs within Whatcom County
<u>Section of Agenda:</u>	Discussion
<u>Department:</u>	Community Development Department
<u>Attachments:</u>	
Draft Schedule for the Review of UGAs within Whatcom County	
<u>Summary Statement:</u>	
<p>In the 2016 Comp Plan update process, the County and cities adopted a joint schedule for UGA review (e.g. see County Resolution 2013-028). The new interlocal agreements also address a schedule for joint County/City review of UGAs for the next comp plan updates.</p> <p>County and city planners have developed a draft resolution format and schedule for consideration by each jurisdiction in order to facilitate coordination of the UGA review. The draft Resolution sets forth main tasks for 2023 – 2025 to guide coordinated planning efforts. It seeks to address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any changes to the GMA made by the State Legislature in the 2023 session;• Any changes needed based upon the State's Housing Guidance documents that address the requirements of HB 1220;• To consider the use of UGA Reserves or UGA study areas, and• Any other changes needed to address the 2025 Comp Plan updates. <p>However, because timelines may change over the span of this multi-year project, the schedule is general in nature and the Resolution recognizes the possibility of departing from the schedule. The County Council approved the attached resolution on May 11th and the City of Lynden will likewise be asked to approve the schedule by a similar resolution at the June 19th meeting.</p> <p>The Community Development Committee is now asked to review the proposed schedule for the review of UGA areas before it moves to full Council.</p>	
<u>Recommended Action:</u>	
Review and discuss.	