

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	November 21, 2022	
Name of Agenda Item:	Resolution 1058 - Interlocal Agreement regarding Countywide Planning Policies	
Section of Agenda:	New Business	
Department:	Planning Department	
Council Committee Review:	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
	Legal Review: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required	
Attachments:		
Resolution 1058 with Exhibit A - Interlocal Agreement regarding amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies (CWPP), Memo summarizing proposed changes to the CWPP		
Summary Statement:		
<p>The Growth Management Act (GMA) requires the adoption countywide planning policies in cooperation with Whatcom County and its cities (RCW 36.70A.040(4) and RCW 36.70A.210). Countywide planning policies establish a framework for developing city and county comprehensive plans and ensuring these plans are consistent. The Council originally adopted countywide planning policies in 1993 and these have been periodically amended.</p> <p>As the City/County Planner Group drafted the Buildable Lands Report (also on tonight’s agenda) it became necessary to amend the countywide planning policies with an interim interlocal agreement. This was signed by the County and Whatcom cities and became effective on July 14, 2020. The City/County Planner Group is now proposing a long-term Interlocal Agreement establishing procedures for amending countywide planning policies, to replace the Interim Interlocal Agreement. Main differences between the approved Interim Interlocal Agreement and the proposed long-term Interlocal Agreement are summarized in the attached memo.</p> <p>Staff is requesting that Council review the revisions and approve if they see fit.</p>		
Recommended Action:		
Motion to approve Resolution 1058 - Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lynden, the Whatcom County cities and Whatcom County Concerning procedures for amending the countywide planning policies and to authorize the Mayor’s signature on the resolution and agreement documents.		