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MEMORANDUM

To: Economic Development Commission
From: Emily Arteche, Director CD
Date: September 20, 2023
Subject: Economic Development Element

BACKGROUND:

The Washington Growth Management Act (GMA) requires King County and cities within King County to update their comprehensive plans on or before December 31, 2024. The Economic Development Element was reviewed and edited by the Economic Development Commission. The Commission reviewed the draft vision, goals, and policies to their satisfaction.

On August 16, 2023, the Chair of the Economic Development Commission, Bobbi Harrison, signed the recommendation of the draft element presented in the attachment. The attachment shows the evolution of the edits. At the August 21, 2023, Planning Commission meeting, staff presented draft goals and policies of the Economic Development Element of the Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission recommended one additional policy be created to address support for the Woodman restaurant as a key draw/anchor to the City's downtown tourism.

NEXT STEPS:

Discuss recommendation of a new draft policy to respond to the Planning Commission request.