

TO: City Council  
FROM: Brad Medrud, Planning Manager  
DATE: February 6, 2024  
SUBJECT: Contract with the State Department of Commerce for the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Climate Planning Grant

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1) Recommended Action:

Authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with the State Department of Commerce for the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update Climate Planning Grant.

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2) Background:

On a ten-year cycle, the City is required to conduct a Growth Management Act periodic update of its Comprehensive Plan and related development regulations. For the current cycle, the City is required to complete work on the periodic update by June 30, 2025.

The State Department of Commerce Climate Planning Grant allocation is \$500,000. The contract will be for \$420,000 with the remaining \$80,000 allocation available for additional climate related work from 2025 to 2029. The grant would allow the City to hire consultants to assist with the state requirement to prepare a new Climate Element as part of the 2025 Comprehensive Plan periodic update.

On January 23, 2024, at a work session the City Council placed the contract on the consent calendar for the City Council's February 6, 2024 meeting.

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3) Policy Support:

Goal LU-1: Ensure the Land Use Element is implementable and coordinated with all applicable City plans and the plans of other jurisdictions in the Thurston region.

Policy LU-1.14 Coordinate the Land Use Element with the strategies in the most recent version of the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.

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4) Alternatives:

☐ Remove from the consent calendar, amend, and approve

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5) Fiscal Notes:

The total State Department of Commerce grant allocation is \$500,000. The contract will be for \$420,000 with the remaining \$80,000 allocation available for additional climate related work from 2025 to 2029. There is no City match for this grant.

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6) Attachments:

A. Contract – Climate Planning Grant