



October 17, 2023

Sara Fox, Climate Planning Manager
Washington State Department of Commerce
1011 Plum Street SE
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Dear Recipient:

I, Debbie Sullivan, Mayor of the City of Tumwater, authorize the City to propose the attached scope of work and budget request for grant funding to prepare and adopt amendments to implement the requirements of HB 1181 related to climate planning.

We understand that the City is required under the Growth Management Act to adopt goals and policies related to addressing climate change. These goals and policies will be considered and adopted as part of our scheduled periodic review update to our Comprehensive Plan, which is due June 30, 2025.

The City intends to use the funds provided by the grant to offset the costs of consultants needed to assist City staff with the update of the City's Comprehensive Plan and supporting implementation work. The City will use any remaining funds from the allocation to conduct implementation activities related to the adopted Plan after 2025.

Work on the City's Growth Management Act periodic update started last fall. The updated Comprehensive Plan will address diversity, equity, and inclusion throughout the Plan and incorporate a number of state required changes.

I urge the State Department of Commerce to support the City's Comprehensive Plan update by providing funds to support our work on the requirements of HB 1181. Please feel free to contact me at (360) 754-5855 or by emailing dsullivan@ci.tumwater.wa.us if you have questions regarding my comments and support.

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Warm regards,

Debbie Sullivan
Mayor, City of Tumwater

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