

TO: City Council
FROM: Brad Medrud, Planning Manager
DATE: November 19, 2024
SUBJECT: Interlocal Agreement with Cities of Lacey, Olympia and Yelm for Accessory Dwelling Unit Plans

1) Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the interlocal agreement with the cities of Lacey, Olympia, and Yelm to continue the current accessory dwelling unit pre-approved plan program. The General Government Committee had a briefing on the interlocal agreement on November 13, 2024, and recommended that the item be placed on the City Council consent calendar for their November 19, 2024, meeting.

2) Background:

In 2020, the City approved the first interlocal agreement with the cities of Lacey and Olympia to work with The Artisans Group, LLC to develop pre-approved accessory dwelling unit plans. The plans were made available to property owners in the City who wanted to build an accessory dwelling unit as a means of reducing the time and cost required to build such units.

Recent changes to the state energy code have prompted a need to update the original plans, and the purpose of this interlocal agreement is to allow that work to be completed so that the program can continue and to expand the program to include the city of Yelm.

3) Policy Support:

- Strategic Priority to Build a Community Recognized for Quality, Compassion and Humanity with the goals of
 - Support and advance intergenerational housing opportunities.
 - Implement the Tumwater Housing Action Plan.
 - Continue to streamline permitting processes for development and construction projects.
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4) Alternatives:

None.

5) Fiscal Notes:

N/A

6) Attachments:

- A. Interlocal Agreement
- B. Interlocal Agreement, Exhibit A
- C. Interlocal Agreement, Exhibit B
- D. Interlocal Agreement, Exhibit C