



September 5, 2023

Dave Osaki, AICP
Washington State Department of Commerce
1011 Plum Street SE
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Recipient:

I, Debbie Sullivan, Mayor of Tumwater, authorize the City to propose the attached scope of work and budget request for grant funding to prepare and adopt development regulation amendments to implement the requirements of HB 1110 related to middle housing in our community.

We understand we are required under the Growth Management Act to adopt policies related to moderate density housing options including, but not limited to, duplexes, triplexes, and townhomes. These policies will be considered and adopted as part of our scheduled periodic review update to our Comprehensive Plan, which is due June 30, 2025 and we acknowledge this precedes the deadline for compliance with HB 1110.

The City intends to use the funds provided by the Middle Housing Grant to offset the costs of consultants needed to assist City staff with the update of the City's development code.

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 addressing housing, climate change, and other topics.

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 1110. Please feel free to

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contact me at (360) 754-5855 or by emailing dsullivan@ci.tumwater.wa.us if you have questions regarding my comments and support.

Warm regards,

Debbie Sullivan
Mayor, City of Tumwater

Cc: Tumwater City Council
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