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MOTION NO. 09-1

A MOTION to adopt a work plan and schedule to address the policy framework for allocation of regional services and facilities.

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Planning Council has directed staff to develop recommendations for a major update of the Countywide Planning Policies in 2010 to bring those policies into consistency with Vision 2040.

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Planning Council has developed proposed growth targets for housing and employment, that implement the Regional Growth Strategy contained in Vision 2040 while providing 20-year targets for cities to use in the next round of GMA comprehensive plan updates.

WHEREAS, since the Countywide Planning Policies were first adopted in 1992, significant amounts of growth have occurred inside the urban growth area, within cities and unincorporated King County, and particularly inside cities with designated urban centers, where pending growth targets would direct even greater amounts of growth .

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY HEREBY MOVES AS FOLLOWS:

Direct staff to pursue a work plan for phase I of an update of the Countywide Planning Policies.

Goal of Work Program:

The GMPC will update the Countywide Planning Policies to ensure consistency with the Multi-County Planning Policies contained within Vision 2040, to ensure consistency with the State Growth Management Act, to reflect current terminology and relevant references, and to establish the policy framework for advancing the Regional Growth Strategy through prioritized allocation of regional services and facilities. Phase One of the work plan is focused on establishing one or more Framework policies that will advance the Regional Growth Strategy through prioritized allocation of regional services and facilities, while continuing to serve all communities in King County

Context:

With the adoption of the new growth targets, King County is facing an increased amount of growth countywide and a pattern of growth that concentrates housing and employment in cities with Urban Centers. Communities throughout the county recognize that their ability to accommodate growth depends on adequate provision of services and facilities. Further, a number of cities are concerned that the existing provision of services and facilities are inadequate to meet current needs. The first priority in developing the work program will be to define the regional services and facilities that are necessary to support growth.

Direct staff to develop options for new CPP policy language that will prioritize regional service delivery in ways that promote the regional growth strategy. In developing that policy, staff should address these issues according to the schedule shown below:

- Define what constitutes the "regional services" affected by this policy;
- Identify the existing policy basis for delivering regional services;
- Draft new policy options that address regional service delivery for GMPC consideration by the end of the first quarter of 2010.

Schedule for further work on proposed policy options:

| Task | Due Date |
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| Define regional services and facilities that are tied to growth | 4 th Qtr, 2009 |
| Identify existing policy basis for future delivery of services and facilities | 4 th Qtr, 2009 |
| Draft policy options for guidance on delivering regional services and facilities | March 1, 2010 |
| Present policy options to GMPC for first reading and discussion | End of 1 st Qtr, 2010 |
| Revise policy options as directed by GMPC | Mid-April, 2010 |
| Approval of policy amendment(s) and direction of next steps by GMPC | Late April, 2010 |

Adopted by the Growth Management Planning Council of King County on October 28, 2009 in open session, and signed by the chair of the GMPC.

Kurt Triplett, Chair, Growth Management Planning Council