

## ORDINANCE NO. 619-2023

### RELATING TO THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT AND AMENDING THE KITSAP COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES

**Be it Ordained:**

**Section 1. The Kitsap County Board of Commissioners makes the following findings:**

1. Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.210 of the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA), the Kitsap Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) are intended to establish a countywide planning framework from which the County and the cities of Bainbridge Island, Poulsbo, Bremerton, and Port Orchard (Cities) develop their respective comprehensive plans.
2. The Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC) is established by an inter-local agreement as a regional body comprised of members from Kitsap County and the cities of Bainbridge Island, Poulsbo, Bremerton, Port Orchard, as well as the Suquamish Tribe, Port Gamble/S'Klallam Tribe, Port of Bremerton, Port of Kingston, Naval Base Kitsap, and Kitsap Transit. One function of KRCC is to facilitate the review and proposed updates to the CPPs.
3. The CPPs address topics such as Countywide Growth Patterns; Urban Growth Areas; Centers of Growth; Rural Land Use and Development Patterns; the Natural Environment; Contiguous, Compatible and Orderly Development; Public Capital Facilities and Essential Public Facilities; Transportation; Housing; Economic Development; Coordination with Tribal and the Federal Governments and much more.
4. Appendix A of the adopted CPPs outline the process for adoption and ratification by KRCC member jurisdictions.
5. Kitsap County and the Cities are member jurisdictions of Puget Sound Regional Coordinating Council (PSRC) along with King, Pierce and Snohomish counties and cities. PSRC is a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO). Per PSRC's inter-local agreement, Kitsap's CPPs must be certified by PSRC to ensure consistency with multi-county planning policies as well as local comprehensive plans which must also receive certification including local transportation elements.
6. In October 2020, PSRC adopted Vision 2050 as the multi-county planning policies pursuant to RCW 36.70A.210 (7). In accordance with MPP-RC-13 the Kitsap County Board of County Commissioners adopted updated CPPs in October of 2021 under KC Ordinance No. 601-2021.

**Section 2. General Procedural Findings. The Kitsap County Board of Commissioners makes the following findings regarding process and public participation:**

1. In October of 2021, the Board of County Commissioners adopted updates to the Countywide Planning Policies under KC Ordinance No. 601-2021. These CPPs were developed by the KRCC consistent with Vision 2050 and with state law changes that occurred since the CPPs were last updated in 2015. Proposed revisions were reviewed by several technical and policy committees within KRCC.
2. In 2022, KRCC embarked on a process to review and revise the Growth Targets, which are found in Appendixes B-1 and B-2 of the CPPs.
3. KRCC, following proper public notice, hosted a public and agency comment period on the proposed draft Growth Targets.
4. In June of 2022 the KRCC Board, following proper public notice, held a public hearing on the proposed CPPs revisions. The KRCC Board deliberated and recommended changes to the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners consistent with CPP Policy UR-3 and Appendix A. Following this hearing, KRCC formally transmitted the recommended CPPs revisions to the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners.
5. Following the initial KRCC Hearing, a minor error was found in the population numbers for Bainbridge Island. This error was corrected and another hearing was held with the KRCC on October 4, 2022. Following this hearing, KRCC formally transmitted the recommended CPPs revisions to the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners.
6. A State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist was prepared and submitted to the Kitsap County SEPA Official who is the lead agency for CPP SEPA review pursuant to Appendix A of the CPPs.
7. On October 20, 2022, the Kitsap County SEPA Official issued a SEPA Addendum to the Programmatic Determination of Nonsignificance for the Update to the Countywide Planning Policies. A SEPA Addendum does not require a comment period.
8. On November 1, 2022, following timely and effective notice, the Kitsap County Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed adopting ordinance and KRCCs recommended revisions on the population and employment growth targets.
9. On November 15, 2022, the Kitsap County Planning Commission held a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting to consider and deliberate on the proposed amendments to the CPPs.

10. On January 23, 2023, the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the proposed adopting ordinance and KRCCs recommended revisions on the population and employment growth targets.

**Section 3. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners find that the following proposed revisions to the CPPs are consistent with Vision 2050 and the GMA and adopts Appendixes B-1 and B-2.

**Section 4. Typographical/Clerical Errors.** Should any amendment made to this that was passed by the Board of Commissioners during its deliberation be inadvertently left out of the final printed version, the explicit action of the Commissioners as discussed and passed shall prevail upon subsequent review and verification by the Commissioners and shall be corrected.

**Section 5. Effective date.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately pursuant to Appendix A of the adopted CPPs.

**Section 6. Severability.** If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person, entity or circumstance is for any reason held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance, or the application of the provision to other persons, entities or circumstances is not affected.

ADOPTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2023.



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