

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-133
CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE ADOPTING COLLABORATIVE PLANNING PRINCIPLES FOR JOINT PLANNING AGREEMENTS WITH SPOKANE COUNTY AND OTHER CITIES FOR URBAN GROWTH AREAS

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act requires the establishment of Urban Growth Areas and policies for joint county and city planning within Urban Growth Areas.

WHEREAS, a goal of the Growth Management Act is "to ensure coordination between communities and jurisdictions to reconcile conflicts" (36.70A.020(11)).

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act also requires that "the comprehensive plan of each county or city . . . shall be coordinated with, and consistent with, the comprehensive plans . . . of other counties, cities with which the county or city has, in party, common borders or related regional issues" (36.70A.100).

WHEREAS, Spokane County's adopted Countywide Planning Policies address the need for joint planning within Urban Growth Areas and define Joint Planning Areas as "areas designated as Urban Growth Areas assigned to a city or town for future urban development but located in the unincorporated county where a coordinated planning process between the cities, towns and the County will be conducted."

WHEREAS, the Countywide Planning Policies set forth the following principles regarding joint planning:

- Include all jurisdictions adjacent to the Urban Growth Area and Special Purpose Districts that will be affected by the eventual transference of governmental services.
- Recognize that Urban Growth Areas are potential annexation areas for cities.
- Ensure a smooth transition of services amongst existing municipalities and emerging communities.
- Ensure the ability to expand urban governmental services and avoid land use barriers to expansion; and
- Resolve issues regarding how zoning, subdivision and other land use approvals in designated joint planning areas will be coordinated.

WHEREAS, Spokane County and the cities of Spokane, Spokane Valley, Airway Heights, Liberty Lake, and Millwood are engaged in a collaborative planning process for the Metro Urban Growth Area;

WHEREAS, Spokane County and all of its cities and towns are committed to joint planning in the Urban Growth Areas;

WHEREAS, Spokane County and its cities and towns have agreed that long term success in the Metro Urban Growth Area would allow cities to have mechanisms to influence land use, permitting, and infrastructure impacts associated with development in the Metro Urban Growth Area and give the County a clear service delivery and revenue structure that allows fiscal sustainability.

WHEREAS, Spokane County and its cities and towns have identified the initial areas to begin to better coordinate land use development and review in the Metro Urban Growth Area which include private roads, street connectivity, design guidelines, and a notification and review process.

WHEREAS, the Spokane County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 09-0281 directing its staff to review the applicable codes and regulations and prepare a draft of possible revisions to the codes and ordinances to be applicable to the Metro Urban Growth Area to address the most immediate concerns of private roads, connectivity, design guidelines, and review coordination;

WHEREAS, the Cities support long-term fiscal sustainability for the County and its efforts to clearly define and align its regional, local, and contracted revenues and services;

WHEREAS, Spokane County and its cities and towns agree to use these guiding principles in developing interlocal agreements that carry out the provisions of the Growth Management Act and the Spokane County Countywide Planning Policies to the mutual benefit of all parties within the Urban Growth Area:

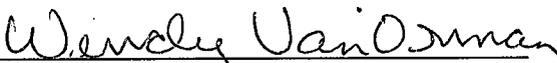
PRINCIPLES OF COLLABORATIVE PLANNING

1. A collaborative planning process between the City and the County will benefit both jurisdictions as well as citizens and property owners of the entire region.
2. Consistency between comprehensive plans and regulations together with a coordinated review process for proposed development within the unincorporated Urban Growth Area will encourage development within the Urban Growth Area and facilitate the creation of a vibrant, attractive and economically healthy urban area.
3. Joint planning for growth and development within the unincorporated Urban Growth Area will provide predictability to the City, the County, other service providers, and the citizens in these areas.
4. Efficient and cost-effective provision of urban services within the Urban Growth Area, will encourage orderly development.
5. A mutually agreed timeline and sequence for city annexations will offer predictability to cities, the County, service providers, and citizens in the unincorporated Urban Growth Area.
6. Identification of an urban growth area with the adjacent city enables cities, the County, service providers, and citizens to better plan for future development.

7. A mutually agreed upon process between the County and cities for designating and amending urban growth areas adjacent to cities encourages consistent development, efficient delivery of services, and an orderly annexation process.
8. A joint planning process that recognizes the County's responsibility and authority regarding unincorporated areas, and that is coordinated and consistent with the comprehensive plans and development regulations of the City will promote predictability within the Urban Growth Area that is compatible with future annexation by the City.
9. Commercial, industrial and residential development at urban densities within the existing Urban Growth Area boundary is beneficial to both the cities and the County by allowing more efficient provision of services.

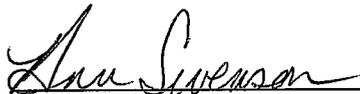
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake, Spokane County, Washington, hereby adopts the Collaborative Planning Principles for joint planning agreements with Spokane County and other cities for the urban growth areas.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 6th day of October, 2009.



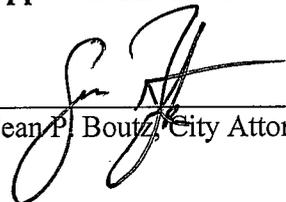
Wendy Van Orman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ann Swenson, Deputy City Clerk

Approved As To Form:



Sean P. Boutz, City Attorney

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned Deputy City Clerk of the City of Liberty Lake, of Spokane County, Washington, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 09-133 duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of said City, duly and regularly held at the regular meeting placed thereof on October 6, 2009 of which meeting all members of said City Council had due notice and at which a majority thereof were present; and that at said meeting said Resolution was adopted by the following vote: unanimous.

AYES, and in favor thereof: Mayor Pro Tem Crump, Council Members: Owens, Langford, Olander, Jenkins, Schuler, and Romney

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ASTAINED: None

CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE


DEPUTY CITY CLERK