



ISLAND COUNTY PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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RE: CPA 155/04 Population and Urban Growth Areas

Summary:

CPA 155/04 consists of the 2005 periodic review and update of the population projections and urban growth area boundaries as required by the Growth Management Act. The Board of Island County Commissioners has rejected and revised the 2007 Planning Commission recommendation. Pursuant to RCW 36.70.430, the revised CPA 155/04 has been forwarded to the Planning Commission for report and recommendation.

Findings:

1. CPA 155/04, as revised by the Board of Island County Commissioners on October 11, 2010, was routed to the Island County Planning Commission for a report and recommendation following a public hearing, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 36.70.430 RCW.
2. Following the public hearing held on November 9, 2010, the Island County Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of CPA 155/04, as revised by the BICC.
3. During deliberations, the Planning Commission noted that there may be a future need to expand the Oak Harbor UGA boundary, and doesn't want to foreclose that opportunity.
4. The Planning Commission finds that by limiting the size of the UGA, more creative infill type development will be encouraged.
5. Based on the stated UGA capacity by the City of Oak Harbor, the Planning Commission finds that the existing UGA has enough capacity to support development beyond the next GMA mandated update.
6. If it is determined that there is a need for more land within the UGA during the next periodic Comprehensive Plan update, the Planning Commission finds that the properties which have been removed from CPA155/04, should be considered for future expansion.

Conclusions:

The Island County Planning Commission has reviewed the revised CPA 155/04 and hereby recommends that the Board of Island County Commissioners adopt the proposed amendments as revised by the Board.

Respectfully submitted through the Island County Planning Department to the Board of Island County Commissioners, pursuant to RCW 36.70.430, this 30th day of December 2010 by,

Terry Reynolds
Island County Planning Commission, Chairperson