Snohomish County 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update

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County Council
Planning Committee Briefing
Interjurisdictional Coordination Element

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Three Things You Should Know

There are eight total updates to the Interjurisdictional Coordination policies.

Four of the updates are made solely to address word choices such as "stakeholder," which has been changed to "parties" or "residents."

The other four updates were made to give the County more discretion over development regulations and interlocal agreements, and to incorporate minimum residential density standards within the annexation process, and to adjust language for the Snohomish Health District.



Details

Amendments	Reason
1. IC Policy 1.B.6: The county should consider interlocal agreements with cities to coordinate county and municipal planning under GMA within UGAs. These planning processes should emphasize public participation and the role of elected officials in local decision-making. Such interlocal agreements may address the following interjurisdictional issues: Subsection (h) Minimum residential density standards.	1. IC Policy 1.B.6 Added a minimum residential density requirement to the list of interjurisdictional issues that may be addressed in interlocal agreements.
2. IC Objective 1.C: ((Ensure that)) The county should collaborate with cities and towns on ((and city)) development regulations ((are consistent)) within UGAs.	2. IC Objective 1.C Modified word choice so that the coordination of county and city regulations is optional, as County discretion and design will be needed for certain projects.
3. IC Policy 1.C.1: The county ((shall)) may seek interlocal agreements with the cities which identify development standards for each UGA.	3. IC POLICY 1.C.1 See above reason with Objective 1.C

Purpose of the Interjurisdictional Coordination Element

The Interjurisdictional Coordination element's goal is to promote the coordination of planning, financing, and implementation programs between the county and local jurisdictions, including tribal governments.





Questions

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