

RESOLUTION 2013/017

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO PLACE THE SOUTHWEST URBAN GROWTH AREA EXPANSION ON THE 2013 CITY OF MONROE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT WORK PROGRAM AND TO REQUEST INCLUSION FROM THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL INTO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY 2015 DOCKET PROCESS AND THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY 2015 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe has determined that expansion (which encompasses the SW RUTA area) of the Monroe Urban Growth Area (UGA) to include the area depicted in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full, would provide substantial, long range economic benefits to the City and land owners within the expansion area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe has determined that expansion of the Monroe UGA would provide substantial economic benefit to the City through increased property valuations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe has determined that expansion of the Monroe UGA would provide substantial economic, employment and community benefits by providing increased industrial, commercial and residential capacity within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe has recently strived to annex by election existing UGA land into the City limits and been unsuccessful; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe believes that the City needs this additional urban capacity to achieve future capacity needs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe believes that enhancing opportunities for development of new urban land for the creation of vibrant companies and jobs for the residents of Monroe is an essential element of the City of Monroe Comprehensive Plan goals and policies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe has determined that expansion of the Monroe Urban Growth Area, UGA, would provide substantial economic benefit to the City through increased collection of property tax and sales tax revenue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Monroe, Washington, authorizes City staff to work cooperatively with the Snohomish County Council and County staff in furtherance of the proposed UGA expansion identified in Exhibit A. City staff is likewise directed to prepare and submit to Snohomish County a letter demonstrating that the proposed UGA expansion satisfies all applicable criteria for approval.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Monroe hereby directs City staff to work cooperatively with landowners within the boundaries of the proposed UGA expansion area, and seek their participation and endorsement with respect to the said proposal.

Section 3. The City Council of the City of Monroe hereby directs City staff to add appropriate references to the proposed UGA expansion to the 2013 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Work Program and to prepare a budget for presentation and approval by the City Council.

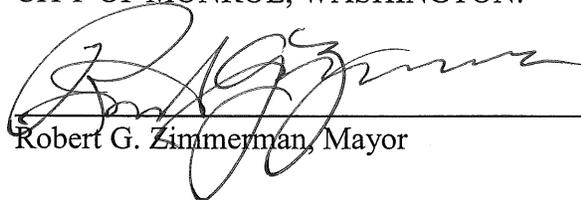
Section 4. The City Council of the City of Monroe hereby authorizes City staff to work with the property owners within the UGA expansion area determine what financial contributions, services, and/or materials can be negotiated to save time, effort, or funds.

Section 5. The City Council of the City of Monroe hereby directs City staff to transmit this resolution to the Snohomish County Council for inclusion into the legislative record for actions pertaining to the Snohomish County 2015 Docket and 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update with due haste upon the execution of this Resolution.

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediate upon passage by the City Council.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Monroe, at its regular meeting thereof and APPROVED by the Mayor this 21st day of May, 2013.

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:


Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk