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SECOND SUBSTITUTE MOTION NO. 08-4

A MOTION by the Growth Management Planning Council of King County recommending the amendment of the Countywide Planning Policies by revising existing policies LU-31 and LU-32 to provide a mechanism for a city to move forward with the annexation of all or a portion of North Highline.

WHEREAS, Countywide Planning Policies LU-31 and LU-32 anticipate the collaborative designation of Potential Annexation Areas (PAA) and the eventual annexation of these areas by cities; and

WHEREAS, the unincorporated urban area known as North Highline has been designated a PAA by more than one city; and

WHEREAS, a mechanism is needed to resolve this PAA overlap.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY HEREBY MOVES AS FOLLOWS:

Amend Sections III, C-3, (Joint Planning and Urban Growth Areas around Cities) of the King County Countywide Planning Policies as follows:

LU-31 In collaboration with adjacent counties and cities and King County, and in consultation with ~~residential groups~~ residents, businesses, and other organizations in affected areas, each city shall designate a potential annexation area in the city's comprehensive plan. After recommendation by the GMPC and ratification pursuant to policy FW-1, Step 9, the Interim Potential Annexation Area Map shown in Appendix 2 shall be amended to show each city's approved PAA. Each potential annexation area shall be specific to each city. Potential annexation areas shall not overlap, except as allowed under policy LU-32. Within the potential annexation area, the city shall adopt criteria for annexation, including conformance with Countywide Planning Policies, and a schedule for providing urban services and facilities within the potential annexation area. This process shall ensure that unincorporated urban islands of King County are not created between cities and strive to eliminate existing islands between cities.

1 LU-32 A city may annex territory only within its designated potential annexation area as
2 shown on Appendix 2, the Interim Potential Annexation Area Map. All cities
3 shall phase annexations to coincide with the ability for the city to coordinate the
4 provision of a full range of urban services to areas to be annexed.
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6 The following applies only within the North Highline unincorporated area.
7 Where PAAs overlap prior to January 1, 2009, the cities with the PAA overlap
8 and the county should attempt to establish alternative non-overlapping PAA
9 boundaries through a process of negotiation. Absent a negotiated resolution, a
10 city may file a Notice of Intent to Annex with the Boundary Review Board for
11 King County for territory within its designated portion of a PAA overlap as
12 shown on the Interim Potential Annexation Area Map and detailed in the city's
13 comprehensive plan after the following steps have been taken:
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- 15 1. The city proposing annexation has, at least 30 days prior to filing
16 a Notice of Intent to annex with the Boundary Review Board,
17 contacted in writing the cities with the PAA overlap and the
18 county to provide notification of the city's intent to annex and to
19 request a meeting or formal mediation to discuss boundary
20 alternatives, and;
- 21 2. The cities with the PAA overlap and the county have either:
 - 22 a. Agreed to meet but failed to develop a negotiated
23 settlement to the overlap within 60 days of receipt of the
24 notice, or;
 - 25 b. Declined to meet or failed to respond in writing within 30
26 days of receipt of the notice.

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30 ADOPTED by the Growth Management Planning Council of King County on June 18,
31 2008 in open session.
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Ron Sims, Chair, Growth Management Planning Council