



KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

Ordinance 20096

Proposed No. 2026-0023.1

Sponsors Dunn

1 AN ORDINANCE adopting and ratifying amendments to
2 the 2021 King County Countywide Planning Policies.

3 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

4 **SECTION 1. Findings:**

5 A. The 2021 King County Countywide Planning Policies were adopted by King
6 County via Ordinance 19384, which established 2019-2044 growth targets for King
7 County jurisdictions in Table DP-1.

8 B. On November 19, 2025, the King County Growth Management Planning
9 Council approved Motion 25-3, which recommended revised growth targets for the Black
10 Diamond Potential Annexation Area and the Unaffiliated Urban Unincorporated area.

11 **SECTION 2.** The amendments to the 2021 King County Countywide Planning
12 Policies, as shown in Attachment A to this ordinance, are hereby adopted by King County
13 and ratified on behalf of the population of unincorporated King County.

14 **SECTION 3. Severability.** If any provision of this ordinance or its application to

Ordinance 20096

- 15 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the
- 16 application of the provision to persons or circumstances is not affected.

Ordinance 20096 was introduced on 5/26/2026 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/7/2026, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis,
Mosqueda, Perry and von Reichbauer

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Signed by:

Sarah Perry

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Sarah Perry, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Hay

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Melani Hay, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this ____ day of 7/20/2026, ____.

Signed by:

Girmay Zahilay

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Girmay Zahilay, County Executive

Attachments: A. GMPC Motion 25-3

11/19/2025

Sponsored By:

ATTACHMENT A
Executive Committee**GMPC MOTION 25-3**

A MOTION to amend the King County Countywide Planning Policies,
amending growth targets for Potential Annexation Areas in urban
unincorporated King County.

WHEREAS, the King County Countywide Planning Policies were adopted and ratified by the
King County Council by Ordinance 19384 on December 21, 2021, and ratified by the cities in King
County on April 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the King County Countywide Planning Policies adopted new housing unit and
employment growth targets for unincorporated King County and all cities within King County in Table
DP-1; and

WHEREAS, the housing growth target adopted for the Black Diamond Potential Annexation
Area is 328 units; and

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Planning Council followed Development Patterns policy
12g ("DP-12g") within the King County Countywide Planning Policies, allocating growth to Potential
Annexation Areas within the urban unincorporated area proportionate to each Potential Annexation
Area's the share of total urban unincorporated residential capacity; and

WHEREAS, the allocation to Potential Annexation Areas within urban unincorporated King
County used capacity data from the 2021 Urban Growth Capacity Report, which was the latest analysis
available at the time; and

WHEREAS, a separate land capacity analysis was performed for urban unincorporated King
County in support of the 2024 King County Comprehensive Plan, establishing that urban unincorporated
King County had sufficient residential capacity to collectively accommodate its growth targets; and

WHEREAS, further analysis of residential capacity in each Potential Annexation Area indicated
that the Black Diamond Potential Annexation Area had capacity for 200 units, 128 units less than its
target; and

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27 WHEREAS, the 2024 King County Comprehensive Plan acknowledged this deficiency and
28 committed the County to working with the Growth Management Planning Council to resolve the capacity
29 deficit; and

30 WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board certified King County's 2024
31 Comprehensive Plan on July 24, 2025; and

32 WHEREAS, in its certification report, the Puget Sound Regional Council encouraged King
33 County to work promptly with the Growth Management Planning Council to resolve the capacity deficit;
34 and

35 WHEREAS, Development Patterns policy 13 ("DP-13") within the King County Countywide
36 Planning Policies commits the Growth Management Planning Council to updating housing and
37 employment targets periodically to provide growth allocations to be used as land use assumptions in
38 comprehensive plans; and

39 WHEREAS, the Interjurisdictional Team proposes to resolve this issue by redistributing 128
40 housing units of the growth allocated to urban unincorporated King County in the growth targets,
41 reducing the Black Diamond Potential Annexation Area housing target to 200 units and increasing the
42 Unaffiliated Urban Unincorporated housing target to 576 units; and

43 WHEREAS, the Potential Annexation Areas within Unaffiliated Urban Unincorporated
44 collectively have the greatest share of residential capacity within urban unincorporated King County and
45 have capacity to accommodate the target increase, particularly in southern King County, maintaining
46 growth allocated to that portion of the Urban Growth Area in the growth targets;

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED that the Growth Management Planning Council:
48 recommends approval of amendments to the King County Countywide Planning Policies amending

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49 growth targets for the Black Diamond and Unaffiliated Urban Unincorporated Potential Annexation
50 Areas, included with this motion as Attachment A.

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Shannon Braddock, Chair, Growth Management Planning Council

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55 Attachments

56 A: Amendments to 2021 King County Countywide Planning Policies – Urban Unincorporated King
57 County Growth Targets.

Attachment A: Amendments to 2021 King County Countywide Planning Policies – Urban Unincorporated King County Growth Targets

In the Countywide Planning Policies Development Patterns Chapter, starting on page 23, amend as follows:

Table DP-1: King County Jurisdiction Growth Targets 2019-2044			
Net New Units and Jobs			
Jurisdiction		2019-2044 Housing Target	2019-2044 Job Target
Metro Cities	Bellevue	35,000	70,000
	Seattle	112,000	169,500
Metropolitan Cities Subtotal		147,000	239,500
Core Cities	Auburn	12,000	19,520
	Bothell	5,800	9,500
	Burien	7,500	4,770
	Federal Way	11,260	20,460
	Issaquah	3,500	7,950
	Kent	10,200	32,000
	Kirkland	13,200	26,490
	Redmond	20,000	24,000
	Renton	17,000	31,780
	SeaTac	5,900	14,810
	Tukwila	6,500	15,890
Core Cities Subtotal		112,860	207,170
High Capacity Transit Communities	Des Moines	3,800	2,380
	Federal Way PAA	1,020	720
	Kenmore	3,070	3,200
	Lake Forest Park	870	550
	Mercer Island	1,239	1,300
	Newcastle	1,480	500
	North Highline PAA	1,420	1,220
	Renton PAA - East Renton	170	0
	Renton PAA - Fairwood	840	100
	Renton PAA - Skyway/West Hill	670	600
	Shoreline	13,330	10,000
	Woodinville	2,033	5,000
High Capacity Transit Communities Subtotal		29,942	25,570

Table DP-1: King County Jurisdiction Growth Targets 2019-2044			
Net New Units and Jobs			
Jurisdiction		2019-2044 Housing Target	2019-2044 Job Target
Cities and Towns	Algona	170	325
	Beaux Arts	1	0
	Black Diamond	2,900	680
	Carnation	350	450
	Clyde Hill	10	10
	Covington	4,310	4,496
	Duvall	890	990
	Enumclaw	1,057	989
	Hunts Point	1	0
	Maple Valley	1,720	1,570
	Medina	19	0
	Milton	50	900
	Normandy Park	153	35
	North Bend	1,748	2,218
	Pacific	135	75
	Sammamish	2,100	728
	Skykomish	10	0
	Snoqualmie	719	4,425
	Yarrow Point	10	0
Cities and Towns Subtotal		16,353	17,891
Urban Unincorporated	Auburn PAA	12	0
	Bellevue PAA	17	0
	Black Diamond PAA	((328)) <u>200</u>	0
	Issaquah PAA	35	0
	Kent PAA	3	300
	Newcastle PAA	1	0
	Pacific PAA	134	0
	Redmond PAA	120	0
	Sammamish PAA	194	0
	Unaffiliated Urban Unincorporated	((448)) <u>576</u>	400
Urban Unincorporated Subtotal		1,292	700
Urban Growth Area Total		307,447	490,831

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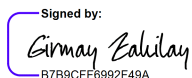
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