

RESOLUTION NO. R-2015-

A RESOLUTION

authorizing the City Manager to execute a Master Interlocal Agreement between the City of Yakima and Yakima County which updates and continues to provide a management structure for growth and development that is coordinated and meets the goals and policies of the Growth Management Act for development occurring within the City's Urban Growth Area.

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature in 1991 changed the way comprehensive land use planning is carried out in the state, requiring that counties and cities update their comprehensive land use plans to be consistent with state wide goals, and to coordinate their planning efforts with one another; and

WHEREAS, also in 1990, the legislature passed RCW 36.70A.210 requiring counties and cities to coordinate the development of local comprehensive plans through as set of mutually developed County Wide Planning Policies; and

WHEREAS, in 1993 Yakima County and the City of Yakima jointly developed their county wide planning policies titled Master Interlocal Agreement For Growth Management Act Implementation in Yakima County; and

WHEREAS, both the City and County updated the Yakima County-wide Planning Policies in 2003; and

WHEREAS, over the past twelve years there have been significant changes in state law, the City's Urban Growth Area which includes the adoption of the West Valley Neighborhood Plan, Terrace Heights Neighborhood Plan, and the continued coordination towards of the development of the City of Yakima's 2040 Horizon Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, both City and County staff have held multiple meetings to cooperatively review and revised the County Wide Policies to meet the needs of both the City and County; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that approval of such interlocal agreement is in the best interests of residents of the City of Yakima and will promote interlocal cooperation, and continue to provide a management structure for growth and development that is coordinated and meets the goals and policies of the Growth Management Act; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

The “Master Interlocal Agreement For Growth Management Act Implementation in Yakima County” between City of Yakima and Yakima County for management of growth and development within the City of Yakima's Urban Growth Area,” a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby

approved; and the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute and administer such agreement; now, therefore,

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 17th day of November, 2015.

ATTEST:

Micah Cawley, Mayor

City Clerk