

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY OF KITTITAS  
STATE OF WASHINGTON**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2016-\_\_\_\_\_**

An Ordinance revising Kittitas Countywide Planning Policies based on current conditions throughout the County and cities as well as for consistency with Washington State Growth Management Act's 14 required planning goals.

- WHEREAS,** As per RCW 36.70A.210(1), Countywide Planning Policies are written statements used solely for establishing a countywide framework for developing and adopting county and city comprehensive plans; and
- WHEREAS,** The role of the Countywide Planning Policies is to coordinate comprehensive plans for jurisdictions in the same county for regional issues affecting common borders and provide a countywide framework that ensures consistency between city and county comprehensive plans as required by RCW 36.70A.100; and
- WHEREAS,** Kittitas Countywide Planning Policies were last amended by Ordinance 2013-005 in April 2013 but have not been comprehensively updated since Ordinance 1998-020 in September 1998; and
- WHEREAS,** As per RCW 36.70A.130, Kittitas County and all cities/town shall take action to review and if needed, revise their comprehensive plans and development regulations to ensure the plan and regulations comply with the Growth Management Act on or before June 30, 2017 ; and
- WHEREAS,** The Kittitas Conference of Governments have held regular monthly meetings that are open to the public from August 2015 through June 2016 to consider amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies; and
- WHEREAS,** In a public meeting held on June 22, 2016 the Kittitas Conference of Governments deliberated and adopted the amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies and recommended for approval by the Kittitas Board of County Commissioners the amendments shown in Attachment A to this Ordinance; and
- WHEREAS,** On June 14 and July 5, 2016 the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners held continuations of the April 19, 2016 public hearing to consider the approval of proposed amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies as recommended by the Kittitas County Conference of Governments;

**WHEREAS,** Due notice and publication was placed upon the official County website and in the Ellensburg Daily Record on April 5 and April 14, and in the Northern Kittitas County Tribune on April 14, 2016; and

**WHEREAS,** After due public notice and publication, the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners held an open public hearing on April 19, 2016 during which public testimony was taken from those persons wishing to be heard regarding amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies. The hearing was continued on June 14, 2016 giving the Conference of Governments time to address the Board of County Commissioners recommendations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners, after due deliberation, hereby approves amendments to the Countywide Planning Policies as recommended by the Kittitas County Conference of Governments. Attachment A of this Ordinance is the revised Countywide Planning Policies.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Obie O'Brien, Chairman

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Laura Osiadacz, Commissioner

ATTEST  
CLERK OF THE BOARD

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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