RESOLUTION NO. 2017-09-13

A RESOLUTION relating to the 2015 Buildable Lands Report (BLR) for the jurisdictions within Clark County and submitting an addendum of the 2015 BLR to Washington State Department of Commerce for incorporating reasonable measures in the growth boundary expansions on the Cities of Battle Ground, Ridgefield, and La Center.

WHEREAS, the Clark County Buildable Lands Report submitted in June 2015 concluded that the Cities of Battle Ground, La Center, and Ridgefield had a lower density range than that outlined in the county-wide planning policy and that all had more vacant, buildable residential land than was needed for the 2035 planning horizon; and

WHEREAS, as part of the county’s 2016 Comprehensive Plan update, the cities of Battle Ground, La Center and Ridgefield requested small expansions to the urban growth areas (UGAs); and

WHEREAS, the UGA expansions were challenged as part of the appeals of the Comprehensive Plan update; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Growth Management Hearings Board Case No. 16-2-0005c Final Decision and Order that determined the urban growth expansions were noncompliant and invalid, the cities of Battle Ground, La Center, and Ridgefield have provided additional information about their reasonable measures including changes made to their Comprehensive Growth Management Plans and development regulations; and

WHEREAS, the BLR describes the actions identified as necessary revisions to local development regulations, and the addendum to the June 2015 BLR notes each city’s adopted changes in regulations to gradually allow for higher density development within the planning horizon, and that to date have allowed for higher density development;

BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS OF CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

The BLR is hereby amended to include new Appendix E, which sets forth the summaries of reasonable measures taken, and updated information regarding the density of urban development, within the UGA’s of the Cities of Battle Ground, Ridgefield and La Center.

ADOPTED this 26th day of September, 2017.

Attest:

By:

Clerk to the Board

Marc Boldt, Chair
Approved as to Form Only:

Anthony F. Golik
Prosecuting Attorney

By: ____________________________
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