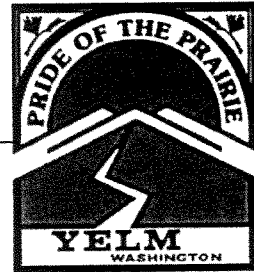


City of Yelm



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN JOINT PLAN WITH THURSTON COUNTY

*Adopted pursuant to the Growth
Management Act of 1990 by:*

Yelm City Council: February 22, 1995

Thurston County Board of Commissioners: February 27, 1995

*Kathryn M. Wolf, Mayor
Shelly Badger, City Administrator*

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VIII. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Note: A list of the goals and policies applicable to the unincorporated portion of the Yelm Growth Area is located in Exhibit G.

The City of Yelm recognizes that a vital city requires an adequate local job base providing family-wage jobs to support the community and its population.

Presently, the City is principally a bedroom or service community supporting jobs principally in Pierce County and the urban areas of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater. To reverse this trend, the City is committed to providing adequately zoned land, properly served, and suitable for industrial development. Present constraints include lack of roads, local power connections, and utilities, which are being addressed and will continue to be a focus in capital facilities planning.

Expenditure of public facility funds for public works, public safety, and public administration can be used to enhance the existing light industrial capability. Partnerships with the Port of Olympia, the Thurston County Economic Development Council, and the Washington State Department of General Administration and Office of Financial Management can be used to facilitate appropriate and timely development.

The City participated in an economic development summit in 1988, the proceedings of which are incorporated herein (see Volume 5/Appendix E), and shall constitute the economic development focus and vision for the City of Yelm. The document is entitled Economic Development Summit (Participants' Report), March 29, 1988.

The recommendations of the Economic Summit for transportation, housing, business development, education, public works, and local development are adopted as policies and goals within the City of Yelm.

The City of Yelm supports the County-Wide Planning Policies on economic development (Policies 6.1 - 6.8) and believes the Comprehensive Plan sets forth the best plan to accomplish those goals within the Urban Growth Area.