

RESOLUTION NO. 29-2004

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ESTABLISHING A COUNTY WIDE PLANNING PARTNERSHIP IN OKANOGAN
COUNTY

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OMAK, Washington do hereby resolve that the Memorandum of Understanding attached hereto between the **CITY OF OMAK AND OKANOGAN COUNTY** under the laws of the State of Washington, is hereby approved. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the same for and on behalf of the CITY and the City Clerk/Treasurer is authorized and directed to attest his signature.

INTRODUCED and passed this 4th day of October ~~June~~ 2004.

APPROVED:

Dale Sparber
Dale Sparber, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trish Butler
Trish Butler, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael D. Howe
Michael D. Howe, City Attorney

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ESTABLISHING A COUNTY-WIDE PLANNING PARTNERSHIP
IN OKANOGAN COUNTY**

Whereas, Okanogan County is in the process of updating the County Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

Whereas, it is the intent of the County to establish goals and policies that are consistent with local customs, cultures, and traditions; and

Whereas, the County recognizes that communities within the County are unique and that goals and policies should be prepared in cooperation and coordination with these communities that reflect their locally determined priorities; and

Whereas, Methow Valley communities have already prepared a sub-area plan that reflects their unique circumstances and community values; and

Whereas, Okanogan County is initiating a sub-area planning process for the Lake Osoyoos sub-area in conjunction with the City of Oroville to address economic development opportunities in the vicinity of Lake Osoyoos; and

Whereas, the county would like to identify additional sub-areas in the County and establish a special sub-area planning process to address those communities' unique circumstances and values; and

Whereas, the County in conjunction with each of the cities and towns in the County, as appropriate, would like to establish a planning boundary around each city that is consistent with each city's ability to serve those areas with urban services; and

Whereas, upon establishing these planning area boundaries, the Cities and County will prepare plans for these future growth or annexation areas that will address the future extension of sewer and water services, plans for future road improvements, and designate future land uses so that property owners can plan for the future use and development of their property; and

Whereas, the County wishes to actively support Comprehensive Planning on the Colville Reservation by the Colville Confederated Tribes and promote joint planning activities between the County and the Tribes; and

Whereas, the County recognizes that economic development activities that support existing businesses and traditional industries and that promotes new job-generating private investment is a goal of fundamental importance to the entire County.

Now, therefore be it resolved that a County-wide Planning partnership is established to coordinate local community planning efforts to update the County's Comprehensive plan in a timely and cost-effective manner and in order to support local economic development priorities, to promote land use planning that recognizes the differences between communities within the County, and to recognize and preserve private property rights. Parties to this agreement hereby agree to participate and support the following planning activities:

1. Sub-area Planning

The County will identify and support the preparation of sub-area plans in order to update the County Comprehensive Plan.

- a. Support the on-going community based planning efforts in the Methow Valley and implementation of the Methow Sub-area plan. This shall include incorporation of this sub-area plan, and potential revisions/updates into the County Comprehensive Plan;
- b. Initiate and support a sub-area planning process in the Lake Osoyoos sub-area with an emphasis on supporting economic development opportunities in the vicinity of Oroville, the Oroville Airport/Industrial Park;
- c. The County shall identify and implement additional sub-area planning processes. The designation of sub-areas may be based on such factors as:
 - local school district, fire district, and/or ambulance district boundaries;
 - watershed boundaries and/or geographic considerations;
 - areas where new development activities are concentrated;
 - community interest and support.

2. Tribal Planning

The County will seek to initiate a joint planning process with the Colville Confederated Tribes to promote the integration of tribal and County Comprehensive Planning and policies.

3. Urban Growth Areas

The County, in consultation with each city will establish an Urban Growth Area (UGA) for each city that reflects the logical outer boundary for the extension of municipal water and sewer services.

- a. It is the intent of the County to incorporate plans prepared by the respective cities for their Urban Growth Areas into the county Comprehensive Plan;

- b. It is the further intent of the County to execute, as applicable and mutually desirable, planning agreement(s) that will govern how future land use decisions are made in each UGA on a case-by-case basis.

4. Joint Responsibilities

The County and the Cities/Towns each recognize a participation requirement is necessary to insure effective sub-area plans. Each sub-area planning program will be enabled by an agreement by and between the County, Cities/Towns, and other jurisdictions or districts as applicable and specific to the sub-area and its issues. Participation may be in the form of the financial sharing of costs, staff, joint public meetings, joint effort grant applications, etc. The County will act as the lead agency for all sub-area plans and will coordinate its work programs and activities with its planning partners. Sub-area plans will be integrated into the County's Comprehensive Plan update process and document(s).

This agreement dated the ____ day of ____, 2004 shall be effective upon signature by the respective parties and shall remain in effect as long as it is in the public benefit and in the interest of the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners, that Okanogan County agrees to and supports this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING as presented herein and will do all possible diligence to insure the effectiveness of the Sub-Area planning process and its integration into the County's Comprehensive Plan.

DATED at Okanogan, Washington this ____ day of _____ 2004.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON**

Craig L. Vejraska, Chairman

ATTEST:

Mary Lou Peterson, Member

Brenda J. Crowell, Clerk of the Board

Dave Schulz, Member

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Omak City Council that The City agrees to and supports this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING as presented herein and will do all possible diligence to insure the effectiveness of the Sub-Area planning process and its integration into the County's Comprehensive Plan.

DATED at Omak, Washington this 4 day of October 2004.

Mayor

X Bob Spahr

City of Omak

ATTEST:

Irish Butler