

ORDINANCE NO. 3118

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON AMENDING THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADDING A TECHNOLOGY ELEMENT.

WHEREAS, Chapter 36.70A RCW, the Growth Management Act ("GMA"), mandates that the City of Mount Vernon develop a Comprehensive Plan, which is a generalized, coordinated land use policy statement of the City; and

WHEREAS, the GMA requires that the Comprehensive Plan and development regulations be subject to continuing review and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, any revision to the Comprehensive Plan must conform with RCW 36.70A, and all proposed revisions or amendments to the Comprehensive Plan shall be considered concurrently and generally no more frequently than once per year, except as allowed pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Growth Management Act requires plans and development regulations to be consistent; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, the City wishes to promote the availability of high-quality telecommunications infrastructure to serve the City residents, businesses, and County; and

WHEREAS, the amendment implements the goals specified in the OEDP Appendix "G"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon has worked towards the financing and development of Telecommunication Infrastructure links within our community; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing on October 15, 2002 to consider the proposed comprehensive plan amendments and additional Technology planning materials, and recommended that the City Council adopt the proposed amendments, copies of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to receive as much public input in this process as possible to make this a community generated plan and a reflection of community values and long range goals, and therefore the Council conducted a duly noticed public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting on October 23rd, 2002, pursuant to the laws of the state of Washington and the ordinances of the City of Mount Vernon, and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the recommendations of the Planning Commission, and the comments made by interested citizens, the City Council hereby finds that the Comprehensive Plan Amendment and the Technology Planning comports with the spirit or intent of the GMA, and that the recommendation of the Planning commission should be adopted, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON:

Section 1. That the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Mount Vernon, is hereby revised by the adoption of the Amendments on file in the office of the City Clerk, creating a Technology Element of the Comprehensive Plan to include the Technology Planning components titled “Technology Strategy,” and “Northwest Regional Technology Alliance” as recommended by the findings and conclusions of the Planning Commission.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 23rd day of October, 2002.

MARK S. KNOWLES, Finance Director

SIGNED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of October, 2002.

SKYE K. RICHENDRFER, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Scott Thomas, City Attorney

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