

**CITY OF LACEY RESOLUTION NO.**  
**CITY OF OLYMPIA RESOLUTION NO.**  
**CITY OF TUMWATER RESOLUTION NO.**  
**THURSTON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO.**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION** of the Cities of Lacey, Olympia and Tumwater and Thurston County accepting the recommendations of the Urban Corridors Task Force as a strategy for creating compact, walkable and transit-oriented neighborhoods along the former Highway 99 Corridor (Martin Way, Capitol Way, Capitol Boulevard).

**WHEREAS**, walkable mixed-use neighborhoods that can be served by high-frequency transit are an integral part of existing land use and transportation plans in the Cities of Lacey, Olympia and Tumwater (Cities) and Thurston County (County); and

**WHEREAS**, the Urban Corridors Task Force (Task Force) was convened by Thurston Regional Planning Council to study land use and transportation policies and strategies for achieving compact, walkable mixed-use neighborhoods on high-frequency corridors in order to help relieve development pressure on rural lands and existing neighborhoods while increasing lifestyle choices and travel alternatives for a growing share of the population; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cities and County were active members of the Task Force along with Intercity Transit, North Thurston Public Schools, and business and citizen representatives and worked together to identify strategies that can minimize barriers to corridor investment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force recommendations (published July 2012) include twelve strategies for minimizing barriers that inhibit corridor investment, consistent with County-wide Planning Policies, and which require the active participation on the part of the public and local jurisdictions to implement; and

**WHEREAS**, the studied corridor, which is the former Federal Highway 99, includes segments of Martin Way in Lacey and Thurston County, and State Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Capitol Way in Olympia, and Capitol Boulevard in Tumwater; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force recommendations envision the three Cities and County retaining their distinct and individual character while seeking ways to cooperate on implementation and working with Intercity Transit to provide premier interconnected transit service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cities and County have a history of collaboration and coordination on activities of mutual interest;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it jointly resolved by the Cities and County that:

**SECTION 1.** That the City Councils and the Board of County Commissioners accept the work of the Task Force as background information, informed strategies, and a viable template for a coordinated approach to corridor redevelopment and creation of walkable, transit-oriented and mixed use neighborhoods.

**SECTION 2.** That the Cities and County will continue to take a leadership role in the coordinated implementation of the Task Force vision and recommendations through continued partnership opportunities and local plans, policies, and regulations.

**SECTION 3.** That the Cities and County will forward the Task Force report and recommendations on to their respective Planning Commissions for consideration and integration, as appropriate, into locally-adopted Comprehensive Plans.

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon execution by the last party to sign.

**RESOLVED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

**Thurston County**

**City of Lacey**

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Cathy Wolfe, Chair of the Board

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Virgil Clarkson, Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to form:

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County Prosecuting Attorney:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

**City of Tumwater**

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Pete Kmet, Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to form:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

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**City of Olympia**

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Stephen H. Buxbaum, Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney