

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

NO. 2014-056B

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator: Matt W. Aamot	M.A.	2/12/2014	<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; letter-spacing: 0.5em;">RECEIVED</div> <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">FEB 18 2014</div> <div style="font-size: 1.1em; font-weight: bold;">WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL</div>	2/25/2014	Planning & Development Comm.
Division Head: Mark Personius	MP	2-12-14		2/25/2014	Introduction
Dept. Head: Sam Ryan	RS FOR SER	2-13-14		3/11/2014	Council Hearing
Prosecutor: Royce Buckingham	R.B.	2-13-14			
Purchasing/Budget:					
Executive: Jack Louws	JL/ad	2/13/14			

TITLE OF DOCUMENT:

Multi-jurisdictional resolution relating to population and employment growth allocations.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Cover letter
2. Draft Resolution

SEPA review required? () Yes (X¹) NO
 SEPA review completed? () Yes (X) NO

Should Clerk schedule a hearing? (X) Yes () NO
 Requested Date: March 11, 2014

¹ SEPA review is not required for this resolution. However, it will be required in order to revise growth projections in the comprehensive plan.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE: (If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

Under the Growth Management Act, Whatcom County and the seven cities within the County must complete the periodic update of their comprehensive plans and review urban growth areas by June 30, 2016 (RCW 36.70A.130). County and city comprehensive plans must be coordinated and consistent. As part of the coordination effort, the County Council will consider a non-binding multi-jurisdictional resolution relating to preliminary population and employment growth allocations. This resolution would assist the County and cities in conducting environmental review, developing draft land use planning proposals, transportation modelling and developing draft capital facility plans. Final growth allocations would be adopted in the 2016 Comprehensive Plan update.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

2/25/2014: Amended and forwarded to Council for approval

COUNCIL ACTION:

2/25/2014: Substitute Introduced
 3/11/2014: Council Approved 6-1, Crawford opposed Res. 2014-013

Related County Contract #:

Related File Numbers:

AB2013-127, AB2013-251,
 AB2013-303, AB2014-056,
 AB2014-056A

Ordinance or Resolution Number:

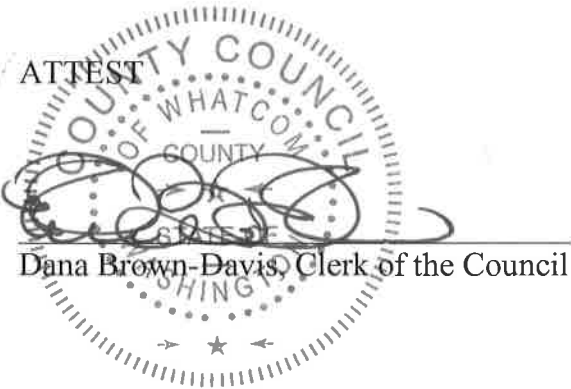
Res. 2014-013

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Whatcom County Council hereby agrees to utilize the population and employment growth allocations shown on Exhibit A as the preliminary allocations for initial review of urban growth areas by the County and cities. It is acknowledged that a range of population and employment allocations will also be studied in the UGA review process and that the formal city proposals and the final UGA growth allocations may be different than set forth in this Resolution.

APPROVED this 11th day of March 2014.

ATTEST



Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Carl Weimer, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Exhibit A

UGA	Population Growth Allocation	Employment Growth Allocation
Bellingham	35,918	22,641
Birch Bay	5,500	545
Blaine	4,414	2,097
Cherry Point	0	890
Columbia Valley	1,345	359
Everson	1,242	602
Ferndale	6,833	2,802
Lynden	6,403	2,157
Nooksack	1,035	290
Sumas	874	445
Non-UGA	11,217	3,201
TOTAL	74,781	36,029

Notes:

1. *The population allocation represents, for preliminary planning purposes, the additional population growth anticipated between 2013 and 2036.*
2. *The employment allocation represents, for preliminary planning purposes, the additional employment growth anticipated between 2013 and 2036.*