MEMORANDUM

TO: Thurston County Planning Commission

FROM: Jeremy Davis, Associate Planner

DATE: January 6, 2010

SUBJECT: Proposed Joint Plan Amendments

There are several proposed amendments to the joint comprehensive plans the County has with the Cities of Tumwater, Olympia, Yelm, and Lacey. These were first presented to the Planning Commission during the summer and fall of 2009. These amendments will be the subject of upcoming public hearings in the next two months. The first public hearing is for the proposed amendments to the Thurston County/Tumwater Joint Plan scheduled for January 13, 2010.

City of Tumwater Joint Plan

The proposed amendments to the Tumwater/Thurston County Joint Plan include the following:

- 1-E City of Tumwater 2025 Transportation Plan Update. The City of Tumwater made an initial presentation on June 17, 2009. The Planning Commission directed staff to make several changes to the proposed amendment. The attached memorandum from the City of Tumwater addresses the direction given by the Planning Commission. For more information, including the staff report and supporting documents, please go to:
  
  http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#1ETumwater

- 3-E City of Tumwater Southwest UGA Resizing and Land Use Analysis. Several worksessions have been held for both the City of Tumwater Planning Commission and the Thurston County Planning Commission since August 2009. For more information, including the staff report and supporting documents, please go to:
  
  http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/tumwater-uga-analysis/index.htm
• **4-E Zorad - Site Specific Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezoning.** This item was first presented to the Tumwater Planning Commission on December 8, 2009 and the Thurston County Planning Commission on December 16, 2009. No questions were raised by the Planning Commission at the meeting. For more information, including the staff report and supporting documents, please go to:

[http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#4EZorad](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#4EZorad)

**City of Olympia Joint Plan**

• **3-A City of Olympia Parks and Open Space Chapter Update.** This is a minor amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Olympia and the Olympia UGA on how park impact fees are calculated. This item was first presented to the Planning Commission on June 17, 2009. No issues or questions were raised at that time. For more information, including the staff report and supporting documents, please go to:

[http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#3AOlympia](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#3AOlympia)

**City of Lacey Joint Plan**

• **3-D City of Lacey Updates – Land Use, Housing, and Utilities Elements.** There are several amendments to the City of Lacey Land Use, Housing and Utilities Elements that affect the unincorporated portion of the Lacey Urban Growth Area. These amendments were first presented to the Planning Commission on September 16, 2009. Two minor issues were raised during the worksession including the location of a gas line along Carpenter Road outside of the Urban Growth Area, and a source citation. The City of Lacey has submitted the attached letter and corrected page for the proposed amendment. For more information, including the staff report and supporting documents, please go to:

[http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#3DLacey](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#3DLacey)

**City of Yelm**

• **3-B Yelm Transportation Plan Update.** The update to the transportation plan was introduced to the Planning Commission on September 16, 2009. Staff sent the proposed amendment to the Thurston County Public Works Department, no comments have been noted. There are no further updates at this time. For more information, including the staff report and supporting documents, please go to:

[http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#3BYelm](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/permitting/jointplanamendment/index.htm#3BYelm)
As requested, all information previously presented to the Planning Commission has been placed on the Thurston County website. Please let me know at the meeting if there are any further questions on the proposed joint plan amendments, and please bring the staff reports for each of the items to the meeting. If you do not have a copy, please let me know. New packets will be made for the new Planning Commission members.

**Attachments:**
City of Tumwater Memorandum and Attachments
City of Lacey Letter and Attachment