Adoption of amendments to the Land Services

WHEREAS, Douglas County has adopted a Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the Growth Management Act (GMA), RCW Chapter 36.70A, which covers all unincorporated areas within Douglas County, through a series of planning area Comprehensive Plans which were found to be consistent with each other and with the adopted GMA plans of adjoining jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County and the City of Rock Island have agreed to plan jointly within the unincorporated area of the Rock Island Urban Growth Boundary consistent with the GMA and Douglas County Regional Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2013 the City of Rock Island passed Ordinance 13-127, adopting amendments to the Rock Island Municipal Code;

WHEREAS, the Douglas County Planning Commission transmitted a recommendation to this Board regarding the adoption of amendments of the Rock Island Municipal Code effective on unincorporated lands of the County inside the Rock Island Urban Growth Boundary; and

WHEREAS, notice of all public hearings and public meetings on this matter have been published according to law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners hereby accepts the Findings of Fact and Conclusions adopted by the Douglas County Planning Commission, entering those findings into the record as their own as set forth in Exhibit A and incorporating them in this ordinance by this reference as though fully set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER, hereby resolved and ordained that the recommendation of the Douglas County Planning Commission is accepted and the amendments to the Rock Island Municipal Code attached as Exhibit B are adopted, effective immediately.

Dated this 10th day of December 2013 in East Wenatchee, Washington.
EXHIBIT A

Findings of Fact:

1. Douglas County has adopted the Comprehensive Plans and implementing development regulations for the City of Rock Island for use within unincorporated areas of the Urban Growth Boundary of Rock Island.
3. The Notice of Public hearing before the Planning Commission was published on October 31, 2013.
4. The Douglas County Planning Commission conducted an advertised public hearing on November 13, 2013. The Planning Commission entered into the record the files on this amendment, accepted public testimony, and deliberated the merits of the proposal.
5. The Douglas County Planning Commission has reviewed the record as it relates to the development regulations adopted by the City of Rock Island.
6. The procedural requirements of the Douglas County Regional Policy Plan have been met.
7. The Douglas County Planning Commission finds that the amendments are consistent with the City’s Comprehensive Plan and Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A.

CONCLUSIONS

1. The proposed text amendment is consistent with and implements the goals and policies in the comprehensive plan and the Growth Management Act.
2. Proper legal requirements of RCW 36.70A.106, Rock Island Municipal Code, and Douglas County Title 14 were met and the community was given the opportunity to comment on the proposal at a duly noticed public hearing.
3. Approval of the proposal will not be detrimental to the public health, safety, and general welfare.
4. The procedural and substantive requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act have been complied with.
EXHIBIT B

SECTION 17.40.020

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