

**CITY OF STANWOOD
Stanwood, Washington**

ORDINANCE 1395

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STANWOOD,
WASHINGTON RELATING TO THE TRANSPORTATION
SYSTEM; AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF STANWOOD'S
2015 TRANSPORTATION PLAN AS AN ELEMENT OF
THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Transportation Plan provides the framework to guide the growth and development of the City's transportation infrastructure. It also integrates land use and the transportation network by ensuring that all existing and future developments are adequately served by the system; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Transportation Plan establishes the City's goals and policies for developing the transportation system within the City and UGA; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Transportation Plan is based on a 2014 study of Stanwood's existing transportation network, combined with projections of future growth and transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, under the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A.070), the Transportation Plan is required to assess the needs of a community and determine how to provide appropriate transportation facilities for current and future residents; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Plan must contain: an inventory of existing facilities; assessment of future facility needs to meet current and future demands; multi-year plan for financing proposed transportation improvements; forecasts of traffic for at least 10 years based on adopted land use plan; level of service (LOS) standards for arterials and public transportation, including actions to bring deficient facilities into compliance; Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies, and; identification of intergovernmental coordination efforts; and

WHEREAS, in 2008 VISION 2040 was adopted as the central Puget Sound region's long-range strategy for growth management, the environment, economic development, and transportation. While VISION 2040 builds on previous regional plans for the four county region including the VISION 2020 and VISION 2030 updates, it also introduces new provisions to guide and coordinate regional and local planning in King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish counties. Successful implementation of VISION 2040 relies on successful implementation of local comprehensive plans; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) require that local jurisdictions develop a balanced transportation plan that is consistent with VISION 2040 and proposed regional mobility (i.e. autos, transit, bicycle, pedestrian, air, etc). The CPPs promote high capacity transit, non-motorized transportation, high-occupancy vehicle travel, mode-split goals, preservation and maintenance of existing

transportation facilities, and development of financing strategies to meet future needs. Each comprehensive plan should include timelines for improvements, focusing on preservation and maintenance of existing infrastructure with additions as necessary to accommodate future growth; and

WHEREAS, the City issued an Addendum No. 1 to the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the City of Stanwood 2004 Comprehensive Plan GMA Update on March 3, 2015, which included analysis of the Transportation Plan Element; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Transportation Plan is incorporated by reference and is considered to be the Transportation Element of the City of Stanwood 2015 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City's Determination of Non-Significance on the Transportation Plan, pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act was issued on March 3, 2015 and no comments were received and no appeals were filed; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the 2015 Comprehensive Plan (including the Transportation Plan Element) on March 23, 2015 and allowed members of the public to comment both orally and in writing; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission closed the public hearing on March 23, 2015 and began deliberations on April 13, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission made a recommendation of approval to the City Council on the 2015 Comprehensive Plan as well as the Transportation Element on April 13, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City Council provided the general public opportunity to comment on the Transportation Plan on March 26, 2015 and approval of the Transportation Plan subject final edits from Puget Sound Regional Council and city staff; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, having considered the Transportation Plan and any comment thereon, determines it appropriate to adopt the 2015 Transportation Plan as an element of the City's Comprehensive Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Stanwood City Council hereby finds that the adoption of the 2015 Transportation Plan is consistent with the requirements of Washington law, and serves and advances public health, safety and welfare of the greater community;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANWOOD DO HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adoption. The City of Stanwood hereby adopts the City of Stanwood 2015 Transportation Plan as an element of the City's Comprehensive Plan a copy of which is attached hereto.

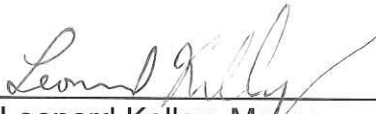
Section 2. Final Plan. A copy of the City of Stanwood 2015 Transportation Plan approved by the City Council and referenced in the Comprehensive Plan as the Transportation Element shall be sent to Puget Sound Regional Council for final certification. A copy of the final 2015 Transportation Plan shall be on file and shall be made available to the public at the Office of the City Clerk.

Section 3. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Ordinance of Plan adopted herein, or their application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order or judgment shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remainder of any part of this Ordinance or Plan. To this end, provisions of each clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Ordinance and Plan are declared severable.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after five (5) days after its passage and publication as required by law.

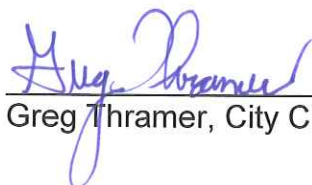
ADOPTED by the City Council and **APPROVED** by the Mayor this 14th day of May, 2015.

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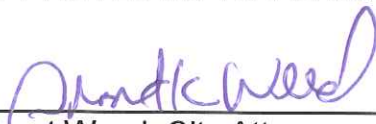
Leonard Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 

Greg Thramer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Grant Weed, City Attorney

Date of Publication: May 21, 2015

Effective Date: May 26, 2015