



## KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1 **FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE KITSAP COUNTY**  
2 **PLANNING COMMISSION, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, REGARDING**  
3 **THIRTY-THREE PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENTS TO KITSAP COUNTY CODE TITLE 12**  
4 **'STORMWATER DRAINAGE, TITLE 16 'LAND DIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT', TITLE 17 'ZONING',**  
5 **AND TITLE 21 'LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURES'**

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7 The Kitsap County Planning Commission finds as follows:

8 1) Kitsap County is subject to the requirements of the Washington State Growth Management  
9 Act (GMA), Chapter 36.70A RCW.

10 2) The GMA, RCW 36.70A.130(5), mandates that Kitsap County's Comprehensive Plan and  
11 development regulations be reviewed and, if needed, revised at least every 8-years. The  
12 most recent Kitsap County 8-year update concluded with the adoption of the 2016 Kitsap  
13 County Comprehensive Plan on June 27, 2016 by Ordinance 534-2016.

14 3) The GMA, RCW 36.70A.130(1), also mandates that Kitsap County's Comprehensive Plan and  
15 development regulations be subject to continuing review and evaluation.

16 4) The Department of Community Development proposed thirty-three amendments to Kitsap  
17 County Code intended to increase internal consistency and simplify the code.

18 5) The amendment process began on October 4, 2017 with a briefing between the Board of  
19 County Commissioners and the Department of Community Development.

20 6) A public comment period on the proposed amendments to Kitsap County Code was open  
21 October 19, 2017 through November 14, 2017. Seven written comments were received.

22 7) Public outreach regarding the proposed amendments to Kitsap County Code was conducted  
23 through a dedicated and up-to-date web page, direct notification to over 22,000 subscribers  
24 to various Kitsap County notification lists (GovDelivery & NextDoor), and meetings with  
25 various interested parties.

26 8) On October 17, 2017, the Kitsap County Planning Commission held a regularly scheduled  
27 and properly noticed work study session to review the proposed amendments to Kitsap  
28 County Code.

29 9) On November 14, 2017, following effective and timely legal notice, the Kitsap County  
30 Planning Commission held a public hearing to accept testimony on the proposed  
31 amendments to Kitsap County Code.

32 10) The Kitsap County Planning Commission considered the proposed amendments to Kitsap  
33 County Code on November 21, 2017, a regularly scheduled meeting properly noticed, and  
34 recommended approval as revised via approved motions during deliberations.



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1 11) The proposed amendments to Kitsap County Code are consistent with GMA, Kitsap County-  
2 wide Planning Polices, the Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan, and other applicable  
3 requirements.

4 12) The proposed amendments to Kitsap County Code promote the public interest and welfare  
5 of the citizens of Kitsap County, and should be approved.

6 **NOW THEREFORE**, the Kitsap County Planning Commission recommends to the Department of  
7 Community Development as follows:

8 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the proposed amendments to Kitsap County Code attached  
9 hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by this reference:

10 **APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF KITSAP COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR**  
11 **MEETING THEREOF, HELD THIS 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2017.**

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13 BY \_\_\_\_\_  
14 **ROBERT BAGLIO, CHAIR**