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To:

Whatcom County Planning & Development Services
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Attached please find Resolution 2008-001 pertaining to the Columbia Valley UGA and associated economic development policies, as public comment from the Mount Baker Foothills Chamber of Commerce

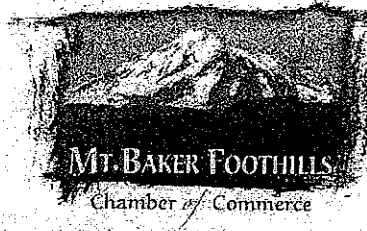
Thank you for your time,

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MT BAKER FOOTHILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

RESOLUTION (2008-001)

AUTHORITY

- WHEREAS the Board of Directors is charged with the furtherance of the Chamber's mission and business objectives, AND
- WHEREAS the Board of Directors is further charged with being advocates for community improvements that enhance the viability of businesses and the quality of life, AND
- WHEREAS the Board of Directors may, from time to time, at its discretion, submit by referendum to the entire Chamber membership resolutions of general interest and of special importance, AND

PURPOSE

- WHEREAS the Board of Directors hereby wishes to submit a resolution to the Chamber membership declaring its formal support for the retention and revitalization of the Columbia Valley UGA and the implementation of associated Economic Development Policies recommended as part of the Foothills Subarea Plan Draft, October 2007 based on the following findings:

FINDINGS

- I. The retention of the Columbia Valley UGA is vital and necessary to the Mt Baker Foothills community.
- II. The implementation of the Economic Development Policies in the Foothills Subarea Plan Draft (Policies) is vital and necessary to revitalizing the quality of life and economic viability of the Mt Baker Foothills as related to job creation, business retention and expansion and community development.



- III. The retention of the Columbia Valley UGA and the implementation of the Policies will help minimize the impacts of future development along the Mount Baker Scenic By-Way thereby preserving the rural character of the major tourism transportation corridor.
- IV. The implementation of the Policies may create additional opportunities for grants, loans and other financial incentives not currently available to the Mt Baker Foothills community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The Mt Baker Foothills Chamber of Commerce hereby declares its formal support for the retention and revitalization of the Columbia Valley UGA and the implementation of associated Economic Development Policies as presented in the Draft Foothills Subarea Plan Update, October 2007.

RATIFICATION BY THE MEMBERSHIP

The foregoing resolution (2008-001) is presented for consideration and approval by the membership at the Annual General Membership Meeting. The Membership by majority vote moved to:

APPROVE

REJECT ()

We hereby certify that the above resolution was review and legally decided by a majority vote of the membership present at the Annual General Membership Meeting of the Mount Baker Foothills Chamber of Commerce held on the 5th day of December, 2008, as prescribed in the organizations by-laws:

By:

Carole MacDonald
 Carole MacDonald, President

12/10/08
 Date

David Franklin
 David Franklin, Secretary

12/10/08
 Date

