

SULTAN CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date: December 10, 2009
Agenda Item #: C- 9
SUBJECT: GMA Comprehensive Plan Update Grant
CONTACT PERSON: Donna Murphy Grants and Economic Development Coordinator



ISSUE:

The issue before the Council is to submit a grant application for \$16,975 to the State of Washington Department of Commerce to update the City's Comprehensive Plan.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Direct Staff to complete and submit a GMA Comprehensive Plan Update Grant in the amount of \$16,975 and authorize Mayor Eslick to sign the necessary documents for submittal.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The State Legislature appropriated approximately \$6.4 million in grants for Growth Management programs. A portion of these funds will be targeted toward jurisdictions that are required to review and revise their comprehensive plans and development regulations on or before December 1, 2011. Sixteen thousand nine hundred seventy five dollars (\$16,975) has been allocated to the City of Sultan as a grant to assist in completing this work. The amount allocated has been adjusted according to Sultan's population.

The funds have been allocated to the City of Sultan, but an application process is still required. There is not a definite deadline, but the agency is requesting the applications be submitted in December 2009.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

There is no match requirement for this grant, the only fiscal impacts will be staff time.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

I move to authorize Mayor Eslick to direct Staff to submit a grant application in the amount of \$16,975 to the State of Washington Department of Commerce for a GMA Comprehensive Plan Update Grant.

Attachment:

Notification Letter dated October 19, 2009



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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October 19, 2009

Ms. Donna Murphy
Grants and Economic Development Coordinator
Post Office Box 1199
Sultan, Washington 98294

Subject: 2011 Growth Management Act (GMA) Periodic Update Grants

Dear Ms. Murphy:

The State Legislature appropriated approximately \$6.4 million in grants for Growth Management programs. A portion of this grant funding will be targeted toward jurisdictions that are required to review and, if necessary, revise their comprehensive plans and development regulations on or before December 1, 2011, (per RCW 36.70A.130). Sixteen thousand nine hundred seventy five dollars (\$16,975) has been reserved for the City of Sultan as a grant to assist in completing this work. Please note that this amount has been adjusted for all cities and counties due to population changes resulting from recent annexations. A portion of your grant, (\$6,250) is available now until June 30, 2010, and (\$10,725) will be available from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. Please be aware that if funding to the Washington State Department of Commerce (Commerce) is reduced before the completion of your contract then your grant amount will be reduced accordingly.

If your jurisdiction is required to complete its GMA update work by December 1, 2011, and is eligible for this grant, (see grant application overview for eligibility requirements), please complete the application in order to receive this funding. Applications are processed as soon as they are received in our office. Funding will be available upon execution of a grant contract.

Attached to this e-mail are the following Growth Management Grant Application materials:

- Grant Application Overview
- Grant Application

To assist in completing your grant application, we are also including the Periodic Update Checklists for cities and counties. While not required, we recommend completing the Periodic Update Checklist first, so you can use it to help complete the Scope of Work portion of your grant application. If you do complete the checklist, please send a completed copy to Commerce with your grant application to help us better focus our assistance to you during the periodic update process.

If you need help with completing the application, especially with developing your scope of work, please contact the Commerce planner assigned to your region. (A list of Commerce planner assignments is enclosed.) If you have any questions regarding our grant programs, please call our office at 360.725.3000.

Sincerely,

Leonard Bauer, AICP
Managing Director
Growth Management Services