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From: Orjiako, Oliver
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:33 AM
To: Schroader, Kathy
Subject: FW: Comp Plan

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For the record. Thank you.



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From: Dickdeleis@aol.com [<mailto:Dickdeleis@aol.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:26 AM
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Subject: Re: Comp Plan

Thank you Oliver. I appreciate your perspective. I was surprised that the Board denied the expansion of the UGA's of the cities and that they denied the rural industrial land bank.. which was allowed under the legislation creating that designation in the first place.
Let's hope the Counties appeal is successful. Thanks again for the information.
Dick

In a message dated 5/24/2017 9:12:22 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time, Oliver.Orjiako@clark.wa.gov writes:

Good morning Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email. In response, you are correct. The areas of noncompliance being appealed are the rulings that (1) de-designating ag land for rural industrial land bank (Lagler property) violated GMA; (2) de-designating ag land to bring it into the La Center and Ridgefield Urban Growth Areas (UGA's) violated GMA; and (3) expanding the UGA's of La Center, Ridgefield and Battle Ground violated GMA and was invalid under GMA because those UGA's were already large enough and the expansions were not needed.

I have no idea why the Growth Management Hearings Board ruled the way they did. It appears they want to see the action of counties and cities in it to be consistent with the Growth Management Act (GMA). Please, let me know if you have questions. In advance thank you.

Best,



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Oliver - Hello. . I see you are still working hard to keep the county out of trouble. What were the 3 remanded issues that the County Councilors have decided to appeal?

The industrial land bank should be one of them, and the expansion of the city limits for Battle Ground and the other cities should be another. The limit on available land for development is causing home prices to become unaffordable, and is also driving up rent and lease costs... adding to people being unable to stay in their homes... also driving property taxes higher.. none of which is a desirable outcome.

It seems the WWGMB is making political decisions and not good land management decisions. The so called ag land that they are "preserving" is not economical to farm and the owner (such as Lagler) is stuck with paying the property tax without any derived revenue.. an untenable situation for the land owner.

You know all of this but now you have someone who totally agrees with you... as always.

Keep up the good work. Best Regards Dick

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