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- Policy 2.1.1 Accommodate a variety of land uses to support population and employment growth, consistent with the city's responsibilities under the Growth Management Act, Regional Growth Strategy, and Countywide Planning Policies
- Policy 2.1.4 Direct growth to area where infrastructure and services are available or planned to ensure growth occurs in a fiscally responsible manner to support a variety of land uses.
- Goal 6.8 Support businesses and job creation, investing in all people, sustaining environmental quality, and creating great central places, diverse communities and high quality of life.
- Policy 6.8.1 Promote economic activity and employment growth that created widely shared prosperity and sustains a diversity of family-wage jobs for the city's residents.
- Policy 6.8.2 Support business startups, small businesses and locally owned businesses to help them continue to prosper.

2. The amendment is consistent with the Growth Management Act (GMA) as follows:

Although the GMA does not directly address the location of marijuana related uses, in general the following goals of the GMA are principally served through the adoption of this amendment:

- (1) Urban growth. Encourage development in urban areas where adequate public facilities and services exist or can be provided in an efficient manner.
- (2) Reduce sprawl. Reduce the inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land into sprawling, low-density development.
- (5) Economic development. Encourage economic development throughout the state that is consistent with adopted comprehensive plans, promote economic opportunity for all citizens of this state, especially for unemployed and for disadvantaged persons, promote the retention and expansion of existing businesses and recruitment of new businesses, recognize regional differences impacting economic development opportunities, and encourage growth in areas experiencing insufficient economic growth, all within the capacities of the state's natural resources, public services, and public facilities.

3. The amendment serves to advance the public health, safety, and welfare as follows:

The proposed amendment is consistent with RCW 69.50.331(8)(b) and is very distinct because it only applies to processing facilities to be located closer to a Child care center than under the existing code. The amendment would require that a processing facility be not less than 1,000 feet walking distance (by way of public walkway) from a Child care center and it would not apply to retail marijuana locations. In conjunction with the requirements of LSMC 14.44.097 that require processing to be fully indoors and fully secure, the proposed amendment would not negatively impact the public health, safety or welfare.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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