



Department Source: Community Development - Planning

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: October 19, 2020

Re: Resolution Establishing a Growth Impact Study Working Group

Executive Summary

Attached for Council consideration is a Resolution Establishing a Growth Impact Study Working Group. The Working Group ("Steering Committee" in a previous memo) is charged with assisting the City's consultant in the preparation of a Growth Impact Study during FY 2021.

Discussion

The Resolution provides that a seven member Working Group be created. The Working Group will assist the consultant in the areas of research; public education and involvement; set-up of the consultant's analytical model to adapt it to Columbia; and review and comment on the consultant's work as it progresses. The Working Group is not expected to prepare and produce its own report; rather it will function as a sounding board for the professional consultant, contributing local perspective. Their work should be no longer than seven to nine months in duration.

At the October 5, 2020 City Council meeting, members expressed an interest in a committee that would be manageable size and would be representative of several areas of interest, without specifying qualifications for each individual member. Therefore the structure of the resolution calls for seven members, and offers some areas of interest Council may look for in an applicant pool without strictly prescribing them. The citation of the City policy to "Plan for fiscally sustainable growth" is drawn from the City's comprehensive plan.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The Study is budgeted for \$75,000 in FY 2021.

Long-Term Impact: The recommendations of the completed study have the potential to save the City costs over the long term.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Economy, Tertiary Impact: Social Equity

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Land Use & Growth Management, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development



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Legislative History

Date	Action
October 5, 2020	Report on a proposed Growth Impact Study Steering Committee

Suggested Council Action

Approval of the resolution