Comprehensive Plan Text Amendment Docket Request - Policy LU 10.4

Applicant: Jaclyn Hess

Policy Reference: LU 10.4

Existing Policy Text:
"Pursue PSRC Regional Growth Center designation."

Issue:
Policy LU 10.4 directs the City to pursue Regional Growth Center designation through the Puget Sound Regional Council. However, Sammamish is not currently designated and is not actively pursuing this designation. Retaining this policy may create confusion regarding the City's long term planning direction and policy priorities.

Requested Change
Remove Policy LU 10.4 from the Comprehensive Plan.

Purpose
Removing Policy LU 10.4 will improve clarity and ensure the Comprehensive Plan accurately reflects current conditions.

Project Narrative/Criteria Justification (SMC 24A.10.30):
Policy LU 10.4 directs the City to pursue Regional Growth Center designation; however, Sammamish is neither designated nor actively pursuing this status. Retaining this policy may create confusion regarding the City's long-term planning direction and could mislead residents about future density expectations, transportation planning, and infrastructure priorities.

Removing Policy LU 10.4 improves clarity, strengthens transparency, and ensures the Comprehensive Plan accurately reflects current conditions and adopted policy direction. This change benefits the community by supporting more effective environmental stewardship, aligning infrastructure planning with Sammamish's existing land use pattern, and ensuring residents can rely on the Comprehensive Plan as a clear and accurate guide for long-term decision making.