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Summary of Findings

Intergovernmental coordination is necessary to resolve urban problems which transcend local political boundaries and which require the application of the expertise of affected state and federal agencies. Air and water pollution, drainage management, solid waste management, public facilities and services programs and mass transit planning are examples of areas of municipal concern which necessitate intergovernmental coordination. Neighboring jurisdictions, state agencies such as the Department of Environmental Quality, the Metropolitan Service District, water districts and school districts are examples of governmental units with whom the city must coordinate to resolve common problems. (Section 5.300 - Findings Document).

Policy

It is the policy of the City to maintain effective coordination with local, state and federal governments and agencies, special districts and regional governments.

Implementation Strategies

1. The city shall coordinate its plans and programs with affected governmental units in the solutions to environmental quality problems, hazardous physical conditions problems, natural resource management programs, public facilities and services programming, transportation planning, annexation proceedings and other municipal concerns with intergovernmental dimensions.
2. Affected agencies will be provided an opportunity to review and comment on the city's community development plans and programs and, likewise, the city will seek to review and comment on similar plans and programs which affect the city.
3. In accord with the Urban Planning Area Agreement with Multnomah County, the city will notify the county of significant land use changes which affect the county's responsibilities.
4. The city will solicit input from service providers as to service availability and adequacy prior to issuance of Development Permits.