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Winnebago County, Wisconsin

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From: Jeannette Merten, Town of Oshkosh Town Clerk

RE: AMENDMENTS TO TOWN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

This is notification of text amendments to the already adopted town comprehensive smart growth plan. The public hearing was held March 26, 2007 and approved at a regular schedule town board meeting on the same date, March 26, 2007. This information should be included with the original adopted plan sent to you of June 2003.

Should you have any questions about this issue, please contact me at 235-7771 or at townofoshkosh@new.rr.com.

Cc: Gerald Frey, Town Chairman
Carol Kaufmann, Town Supervisor
Jim Erdman, Town Supervisor
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#1 Text Amendments to Town of Oshkosh Comprehensive Smart Growth Plan Winnebago County, Wisconsin

Amendments to adopted plan are as follows:

Page 140 – Under 'Conservation Subdivisions' second paragraph. Changed to read:

Conservation subdivisions in the Town of Oshkosh are a buffer between farming areas, wildlife habitats, and important wetland/floodplain areas. Conservation subdivisions are not desired in sanitary districts.

Eliminating: The most desirable locations for. Also west of USH 45 and.

Page 147 – Under 'Farmland and Rural Residential'

This area is designed to primarily accommodate continued farming operations in the Town of Oshkosh.

While recognizing this as a developing transition zone between urban city of Oshkosh and rural town of Vinland, individual residential lots, cluster development, and conservation subdivisions would be allowed in this area.

Eliminating: Limited, single family residential development is also permitted on individual lots (Not in subdivisions) in these areas. The R-1 district of the Winnebago County zoning Ordinance would be used to permit said residential development.

Page 17 – Under 'Population Trends'

First paragraph to read:
The process to prepare population projections begins at the national level where the population of the entire United States is projected. The total is then used to determine what portion of the projected population should be allocated to each of the fifty states. The states, in turn, allocate the state's projected population among the counties in the state. In Wisconsin, the regional planning commissions prepare population projections for the cities, villages, and towns in each of the counties in their regions, based on the projected population for the county that has been provided by the state. The process becomes more difficult and the accuracy becomes less reliable as it moves from the macro (the entire United States) to the micro (a city, village, or town).

Paragraph two (2) as written: (originally was paragraph one (1))
The Town of Oshkosh has experienced erratic population gains and losses over the last three decades as demonstrated in Table 1. The reason for these significant fluctuations is annexation by the City of Oshkosh. The pattern makes population forecasting difficult. In 2001, the Town of Oshkosh lost another 462 persons due to an annexation of the land occupied by the prison facility. This population did not require services or facilities from the town. What is of

significance based on the information in Table 1 is the steady loss in the town's share of overall county population.

Paragraph Three (3)
Trends change. All methods of Town of Oshkosh population projection based on past history are invalid. Town of Oshkosh population is increasing and should continue to increase over the 20 year planning period based on the present attitudes, markets, and demand.

Town of Oshkosh
Jeannette Merten, Town Clerk
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I, Jeannette Merten, certify that amendments were approved this 26th day of March, 2007 at a regular town board meeting.

Jeannette Merten, Town Clerk