

RESOLUTION NO. 81

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WOODINVILLE CITY COUNCIL,
WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING ITS UNANIMOUS
AND STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE POSSIBLE SITING OF A
REGIONAL AIRPORT IN NORTHEAST KING AND SOUTH
SNOHOMISH COUNTY.**

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council is currently conducting a study to identify sites for a major supplemental airport in the central Puget Sound region; and

WHEREAS, the study identifies a site east of the City of Woodinville in unincorporated King County, denoted as the Redmond Site; and

WHEREAS, the study also identifies a site northeast of the City of Woodinville in unincorporated King County, denoted as the Duvall Site; and

WHEREAS, the City of Woodinville places a high value on the process of county and region-wide planning with regard to growth management, land use, siting of regional facilities, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Woodinville strongly values environmental protection and fiscal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the Duvall Site and the Redmond Site are both highly unsuited to development as major regional airports; and

WHEREAS, such use is inconsistent with the present character of both areas and all applicable Comprehensive Plans; and

WHEREAS; developing an airport at either site is contradictory to the fundamental tenet of Growth Management that we prohibit urban development into rural areas, as both sites are outside the King and Snohomish County's Interim Urban Growth Areas; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Woodinville, Northeast King County and South Snohomish County to preserve the rural character of the areas; and

WHEREAS, there are several elementary, middle and senior high schools, many of which are newly constructed, that would be in the flight path for the tentative airport site; and

WHEREAS, the infrastructure necessary to support the regional airport facility would be destructive to the quality of life of the residents of East King County; and

~~WHEREAS, the secondary businesses associated with a major airport, such as motels and satellite parking, would negatively impact a larger area and be inconsistent with the existing character of the areas; and~~

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Authority and the Regional Transportation Plan do not provide for state highway improvements, major arterial improvements, or rail transit improvements in the areas being contemplated for the Airport east of Woodinville; and

WHEREAS, shifting these investments from other areas of the Puget Sound Region would have a substantial effect on taxpayers and regional transportation and development plans currently being considered by jurisdictions in the Puget Sound Region; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration has stated that both sites are "very impractical" for a new airport because of capacity conflicts with existing airports and impacts on air traffic safety.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council is unanimously and strongly opposed to the siting of a Regional Airport at the Redmond or Duvall site.

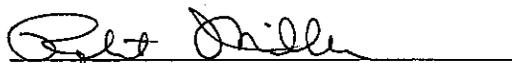
Section 2. The City of Woodinville will participate in the evaluation of the sites being considered by the Puget Sound Regional Council in order to identify an appropriate site for a Regional Airport.

Section 3. The City of Woodinville will continue to actively support and participate in regional planning efforts for transportation improvements and land use planning in the region.

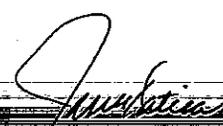
Section 4. This Resolution shall be forwarded to the Puget Sound Regional Council as a communication of the City of Woodinville City Council's strong opposition to two of the six siting options identified in the region for a Regional Airport facility AND as evidence of the City's commitment to a collaborative regional planning process.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE THIS 22ND DAY OF AUGUST, 1994.

APPROVED:


DEPUTY MAYOR, ROBERT MILLER

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


CITY CLERK/TREASURER, JIM KATICA