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AN ACT

To amend chapter 64, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to county planning commissions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 64, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 64.1000 and 64.1003, to read as follows:

- 64.1000. 1. The planning commission of any county created under this chapter, which by August 8, 2005, has not adopted a comprehensive plan for the county, shall prepare, adopt, and from time to time, amend, a comprehensive plan for the county consistent with the provisions of this section and section 64.1003.
- 2. The purpose of such a plan is to guide and accomplish the coordinated, efficient, and orderly physical development of the county and its environs in a manner that will best promote the general welfare.
- 64.1003. 1. In preparing the plan required under section 64.1000 the planning commission shall consider land use, transportation systems, community or urban design, housing, community facilities, economic development, natural, cultural, or historic resource preservation, sustainability of the plan, human services, and the social and physical welfare of the citizens of the county. Studies and plans for incorporated jurisdictions in the county or any adjoining county may be considered in the findings and analysis, and may be factored into the recommendation of the comprehensive plan for unincorporated areas of the county. In addition, the planning commission may consider

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9 plans for specific areas. In addition, the planning commission shall allow public comment
10 during its preparation of the plan.

- 2. The plan required under section 64.1000 may contain policies regarding any of the following, addressing all unincorporated areas of the county, or addressing any infrastructure, or services the county provides to incorporated jurisdictions of the county:
- (1) Policies regarding the future use of land to guide development and redevelopment of all unincorporated areas of the county. Such policies shall be accompanied by a future land use map or maps generally identifying distinct future land use classifications or distinct future development characteristics. Such policies may address future development by land use category or development characteristics, and may include descriptions of the mix of land use and specific goals for land use;
- (2) Policies regarding future transportation systems to guide future development. Such policies shall be accompanied by a future transportation map or maps identifying existing, planned, or potential transportation facilities and a description of these facilities. In addition, policies may include an inventory of existing and future facilities;
- (3) Policies regarding the three-dimensional form and aesthetic qualities of public and private development in unincorporated areas of the county, considering the function, impact, and interrelationship of the design of public and private spaces and buildings. Such policies may include recommendations on streetscape designs, designs for common open space, and desired buildings. Such policies may also include county-wide recommendations or land area recommendations, land use recommendations, or development patterns;
- (4) Policies to provide adequate housing quality and supply to meet forecasted population needs. Such policies may address characteristics of housing stock, may include an analysis of housing supply and demand, and may recommend strategies for direct government assistance or indirect government support in achieving an adequate housing supply;
- (5) Policies for community facilities to guide future development. Such policies may address waste management, storm water management, utilities, public safety, recreational facilities, and other governmental or quasi-governmental services, and may include an analysis of the desired levels of service. In addition, policies may include an analysis of desired levels of service in coordination with policies created under subdivision (1) of this subsection. Service levels recommended under the analysis need not be uniform throughout the county, and may vary based on existing and recommended future land uses or development characteristics;

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(6) Policies to promote the stabilization, retention, or expansion of the economic base, and employment opportunities in the county. Such policies may include analysis and forecasts of labor forces, land and consumer markets, and business sectors applicable to the county. In addition, such policies may include recommendations for public and private actions independent of or in coordination with state or local economic development entities;

- (7) Policies for the identification, management, and conservation of scarce, threatened, or nonrenewable natural and man-made resources in the county. Such policies may include the identification and analysis of the importance of valued resources, analysis of actions to reduce the viability of those resources, and may also consider competing interests regarding future resource management, and recommendations to curtail the impacts on those resources or strengthen those resources;
- (8) Policies regarding the cumulative impact of short-range and long-range decisions and actions that may occur over the course of the plan. Such policies shall provide a comprehensive, long-range analysis, based on a county-wide ecosystem, or other similarly comprehensive basis. In addition, policies may recommend strategies and sustainable practices, and may address:
- 61 (a) Environmental impacts of development scenarios, land use patterns, and 62 building practices;
 - (b) Forecasted energy consumption and transportation habits;
 - (c) Impacts of future development and redevelopment on critical and sensitive resources; and
 - (d) The risk, magnitude, or severity of natural hazards;
 - (9) Policies to ensure the social and physical welfare of the citizens of the county. Such policies may identify population sectors needing special services, training, facilities, or treatment, and may also recommend programs and entities that can address those needs, and may summarize the role of the county government in providing for those needs;
 - (10) Specific area plans containing more specific policies relating to a specific land area. Such policies may include any studies, information, or data the planning commissions determines are consistent with the purpose outlined in subsection 2 of section 64.1000 and relevant to the future development of the county.

When a comprehensive plan is prepared for the first time all policies included in the plan shall be prepared on a county-wide basis for all unincorporated areas of the county.

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Policies established under this subsection shall include an analysis of existing conditions, a statement of issues and goals, reasonable projections or forecasts of anticipated future

conditions or impacts, and implementation strategies which prioritize issues in the plan

82 and identify how goals may be achieved.

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84 Policies established under any subdivision of this subsection shall be made in coordination

85 with policies established under all other subdivisions of this subsection.