

# Charge to the Michigan Land Use Leadership Council

(SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2003-4)

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## **The Council is advisory in nature and shall:**

1. Identify the trends, causes, and consequences of unmanaged growth and development
2. Provide recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature designed to
  - a) Minimize the negative economic, environmental, and social impacts of current land use trends;
  - b) Promote urban revitalization and reinvestment; foster intergovernmental and public-private land use partnerships;
  - c) Identify new growth and development opportunities;
  - d) Protect Michigan's natural resources, including farmland and open space; and
  - e) Better manage the cost of public investments in infrastructure to support growth

## **In exercising its duties the Council may:**

1. Evaluate the effectiveness of current land use laws
2. Seek input by surveying a broad spectrum of stakeholders
3. Stimulate statewide discussion on solutions
4. Review model legislation and studies on land use from other states
5. Identify any state programs or regulations that encourage low-density development and outward migration from urban areas
6. Identify public information, training, and technical assistance needed
7. Identify methods for
  - a) Sharing the benefits of economic growth;
  - b) Minimizing fiscal competition among local units of government; and
  - c) Fostering intergovernmental cooperation
8. Propose innovative and cooperative land use approaches that will
  - a) Accommodate and guide growth and development through cooperation and partnerships on a local and regional basis;
  - b) Ensure the construction of adequate supporting services and infrastructure, including utilities, stormwater management systems, and transportation;
  - c) Provide opportunities for affordable housing;
  - d) Protect the environment and historic and scenic resources;
  - e) Enhance community livability;
  - f) Preserve farmland; and
  - g) Minimize negative impacts on natural resources

**The Council shall complete its work and issue a final report and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Governor, the Clerk of the Michigan House of Representatives, and the Secretary of the Michigan Senate by August 15, 2003.**