



City of Tacoma

Notice of Public Hearing

May 2, 2012

On Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at approximately 5:30 p.m., the City Council will conduct a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code for the year 2012, as recommended by the Planning Commission. **For additional details, please see the reverse side of this notice.**

This hearing will take place in the City Council Chambers on the first floor of the Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington. All persons will have an opportunity to present their oral comments at the meeting. Those wishing to submit written comments may do so at the public hearing, or may submit them to the City Clerk's Office at 747 Market Street, Room 220, Tacoma, WA 98402, by 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

Resolution No. 38475, which set the public hearing date, can be viewed in its entirety on the City's website at www.cityoftacoma.org/recentlegis by clicking on the link for May 1, 2012, or by requesting a copy from the City Clerk's Office at (253) 591-5505.

For more information, please contact Mr. Lihuang Wung, Senior Planner, at (253) 591-5682, or via email at lwung@cityoftacoma.org.


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CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

May 22, 2012

Subject

Proposed Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code for 2012 (or "2012 Annual Amendment")

Summary

The 2012 Annual Amendment, as recommended by the Planning Commission, includes the following three proposals:

1. **Housing Element Amendments** – Amending the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan to (a) incorporate new Affordable Housing Policy Principles as set forth by the City Council; and (b) update the housing needs assessment information based on the 2010 census and other recent data.
2. **Transportation Element Amendments** – Amending the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan to (a) reprioritize bicycle, sidewalk and intersection improvement projects, and to keep information current and address consistency among text, maps and project lists in the Mobility Master Plan section; and (b) update the Unfunded Project List in the General Plan Implementation section, to include a number of new projects, suggested largely by Neighborhood Councils.
3. **Minor Amendments and Refinements** – Amending the Environmental Policy Element of the Comprehensive Plan as well as the following chapters of the Tacoma Municipal Code: 13.04 (Platting and Subdivisions), 13.05 (Land Use Permit Procedures), 13.06 (Zoning), and 13.07 (Landmarks and Historic Special Review Districts), for the purposes of addressing inconsistencies, correcting minor errors, and providing additional clarity.

How to Provide Comments

Citizens may testify at the public hearing or provide written comments by 4:00 p.m. by Tuesday, May 22, 2012, addressed to the City Clerk's Office, 747 Market Street, Room 220, Tacoma, WA 98402, provide them by facsimile at (253) 591-5300, or via e-mail using the following link: <http://cityoftacoma.org/citycouncil>.

Additional Information

The complete text of the proposed amendments, the Planning Commission's Findings and Recommendations Report, and other background information, are available from the Community and Economic Development Department (address shown on the letterhead), and on the Long-Range Planning Division's website at www.cityoftacoma.org/planning (and click on "2012 Annual Amendment").

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