



Planning Commission Public Hearing

2012 Annual Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code

PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, March 7, 2012, 5:00 pm
City Council Chambers
Tacoma Municipal Building
747 Market Street, 1st Floor

INFORMATIONAL SESSION WITH STAFF

Wednesday, February 29, 2012, 5:00–7:00 pm
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The Informational Session is a question-and-answer session with staff and an opportunity before the public hearing to learn more about the proposed amendments and what they might mean for you.

HOW TO PROVIDE COMMENTS

You are welcome to provide oral testimony at the public hearing, and/or submit written comments to the Planning Commission at the return address provided on this notice, or by facsimile at (253) 591-2002, or by e-mail at planning@cityoftacoma.org. All written comments must be submitted by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 16, 2012**.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

The proposed amendments for 2012 include the following three applications. The complete text of the amendments can be found at all branches of the Tacoma Public Library, at the Community & Economic Development Department offices, and on the Planning Division's website (www.cityoftacoma.org/planning > click on "2012 Annual Amendment").

APPLICATION 2012-02: HOUSING ELEMENT

Amending the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan to (a) incorporate new Affordable Housing Policy Principles as set forth by the City Council; (b) ensure consistency with the Countywide Planning Policies specifically relating to affordable housing; and (b) update the housing needs assessment information based on the 2010 census and other recent data.

APPLICATION 2012-03: TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

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.

APPLICATION 2012-07: MINOR AMENDMENTS AND REFINEMENTS

To address inconsistencies, correct minor errors, and provide additional clarity, amending 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); and the Environmental Policy Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

The City has made a preliminary determination that this proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and has issued a preliminary Determination of Environmental Non-Significance after review of a completed environmental checklist, a copy of which is available upon request. Comments on the preliminary determination must be submitted by 5:00 pm on **Friday, March 16, 2012**. The City may reconsider or modify the preliminary determination in light of timely comments. The preliminary determination will become final on **March 23, 2012**, unless modified.

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Upon request, special accommodations will be provided within five (5) business days. Contact 253.591.5200 (voice) or 253.591.5153 (TTY).



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