2014 ANNUAL AMENDMENTS: POINT DEFIANCE PARK POLICY AND CODE

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Point Defiance Park zoning
Lay groundwork for implementation of Pt. Defiance Park plans

Proposal:

• Add policy to Open Space Element recognizing Point Defiance Park plans

• Reference DRAs in the Parks, Rec and Open Space Code

Intent:

• Recognize unique function and planning efforts

• Clarify review process

• Prepare for imminent submittals for City review
Clarify review process for “Destination Point Defiance”

- Plans include commercial, recreation, education and other features
- Park Code defines “destination facilities”, but stops short of Point Defiance scope
- Potential review paths – CUPs, Rezones or DRA
- DRAs…
  - Intended for large, key sites
  - Appropriate for broad scope and scale
  - Provide flexibility within full public process
Policy consistency

- Destination Point Defiance vision is consistent with Comp Plan policies
- Open Space Element
- Generalized Land Use Element
- Neighborhood Element

- Builds on Open Space Element, Parks code, DRA code
Proposed changes

- Add policy to Open Space Element
  - New section for Specific Area Plans
- Add note in Parks, Rec and Open Space Code
  - DRAs, in addition to CUPs, are a potential review process

- Discussion to date:
  - General support for Destination Point Defiance
  - Questions on the Planning Commission’s role in development review
Next steps

• Request Commission direction
• Recommend releasing for public review