



## **PLANNING MANAGER'S LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY**

RE: 2018 AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
AND LAND USE REGULATORY CODE

March 5, 2018

Dear Community Members:

I would like to invite you to attend and provide comments at the following functions concerning the proposed "2018 Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code":

### **Community Informational Sessions**

Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers, Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

### **Planning Commission Public Hearing**

Wednesday, April 4, 2018, 5:30 p.m.  
Council Chambers, Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

A Plan or Code Amendment is the process through which the City considers changes, additions, and updates to the *One Tacoma* Comprehensive Plan, and Land Use Regulatory Code. Periodic review and evaluation are important in order to ensure that the *One Tacoma* Plan and the implementing regulations maintain their effectiveness. The intent of the amendment process is to review all of these changes simultaneously, where appropriate, so that the cumulative effects can be considered.

The 2018 proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code include the following seven applications:

1. Car Wash Uses in Neighborhood Centers
2. Vehicle Service and Repair: Outdoor Storage
3. S 80<sup>th</sup> Street PDB Rezone
4. Commercial View Sensitive District Height Measurement
5. Transportation Master Plan – Limited Amendment
6. Open Space Corridors Project – Phase 1
7. Code Cleanup

The Tacoma Planning Commission has recently completed the initial technical analysis of the 2018 Amendment Package and would like you to weigh in on the proposals before they make a recommendation to the City Council.

Here are a few of the ways you can get involved:

- The complete text of the proposed amendments, staff reports, and environmental review is posted on the 2018 Amendment website at [www.cityoftacoma.org/2018Amendments](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/2018Amendments);
- E-mail us at [planning@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:planning@cityoftacoma.org) or call us at (253) 591-5531;
- Attend the Community Informational Meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup> to learn more about the 2018 Amendment package and provide comments;
- Testify at the Planning Commission's public hearing on April 4, 2018;
- Provide written comments by 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, via:
  - ✓ E-mail to [planning@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:planning@cityoftacoma.org);
  - ✓ Fax to (253) 591-5433; or
  - ✓ Letter to Planning Commission, 747 Market Street, Room 345, Tacoma, WA 98402;
- Request a meeting with staff. We can meet you at City Hall, or would be happy to come to your meetings to provide a short briefing and solicit your comments, concerns and suggestions; or
- Get on the Planning Commission's E-mail Distribution List to receive the Commission's meeting agendas twice a month and other announcements.
- Additional information regarding the One Tacoma Plan can be found at [www.cityoftacoma.org/onetacoma](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/onetacoma) and visit our homepage at [www.cityoftacoma.org/planning](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/planning) to learn more about the many initiatives currently underway.

We in the Planning Division appreciate your active involvement in this important work. We look forward to your continued support and shared efforts to realize the City of Tacoma's vision and our goal to guide community growth and development in a manner that protects environmental resources, enhances quality of life, promotes distinctive neighborhoods and a vibrant downtown, and involves citizens in the decisions that affect us.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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