2020 Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code

SCOPING HEARING

Planning Commission
Public Scoping Hearing
Wednesday, June 19, 2019
5:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers
Tacoma Municipal Building
747 Market Street, 1st Floor

Informational Meeting
with Planning Staff
Wednesday, June 19, 2019
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
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How to Provide Comments?
1. Testify at the Scoping Hearing;
2. Provide written comments by Friday, June 21, 2019, 5:00 p.m.:
   E-mail: planning@cityoftacoma.org
   Or Letter: Planning Commission
   747 Market Street, Room 345
   Tacoma, WA 98402

Subjects of the Public Scoping Hearing

The subjects of the public scoping hearing are the following four applications for the 2020 Amendment to the One Tacoma Comprehensive plan and Land Use Regulatory Code:

1. Heidelberg-Davis Land Use Designation
2. West Slope Neighborhood View Sensitive Overlay District
3. Transportation Master Plan Amendments
4. Minor Plan and Code Amendments

Please see the back side of this notice for a description of each application.

Purpose of the Public Scoping Hearing

The Planning Commission is in the process of reviewing the scope of work of each application. According to the Tacoma Municipal Code, Section 13.02.045., the Planning Commission must make a determination by July 31, 2019, as to whether each application will be accepted, accepted with the scope of work modified, or denied. If an application is accepted, it will be moved into the technical analysis phase of the 2020 Amendment process; if denied, it will be returned to the applicant.

You are receiving this notice because these applications may affect your neighborhood.

The Planning Commission would like to hear from you on whether these applications should be accepted, whether the scopes of work should be modified, and what additional issues should be studied.
Description of Applications

1. **Heidelberg-Davis Land Use Designation**
   The applicant, Metro Park Tacoma, seeks to re-designate the subject site near the Cheney Stadium from the Parks and Open Space designation to Major Institutional Campus on the Future Land Use Map and in the *One Tacoma* Comprehensive Plan. The designation would allow for major campus complexes such as office, educational and healthcare facilities. Cheney Stadium and Foss High School are presently designated Major Institutional Campus.

2. **West Slope Neighborhood View Sensitive Overlay District**
   The applicant, the West Slope Neighborhood Coalition, seeks to amend the existing View Sensitive Overlay District (VSD) code requirements as it pertains to the Narrowmoor Additions, which is an approximately 349-lot subdivision within the West Slope area of Tacoma. The proposal would decrease allowed building height from 25 feet to 20 feet in the VSD within the subject area only.

3. **Transportation Master Plan Amendments**
   Public Works Department seeks to amend the Transportation Master Plan, which is the transportation element of the *One Tacoma* Comprehensive Plan, by updating policies, priority networks, project list, and performance measures; incorporating the Tacoma Mall Neighborhood Subarea Plan; making changes to support multimodal level of service, impact fees, or Vision Zero, a plan to eliminate traffic fatalities and serious injuries; and incorporating the Dome District Business Association’s request to strengthen pedestrian priorities in the Downtown Regional Growth Center.

4. **Minor Plan and Code Amendments**
   Planning and Development Services Department has compiled a list of minor, non-policy related revisions to the *One Tacoma* Comprehensive Plan and the Tacoma Municipal Code, intended to keep information current, address inconsistencies, correct minor errors, increase clarity, and improve the efficiency of implementation of the Plan and administration of the Code.

What is the 2020 Amendment?

The 2020 Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code is a process through which the City considers changes, additions, or updates to the *One Tacoma* Plan and the Code brought forward by private or public entities. The 2020 Annual Amendment process started in January 2019 when the Planning Commission began to receive applications, and is slated for completion in July-August 2020 with the City Council’s adoption of appropriate proposed amendments.

The Planning Commission is currently in the “Assessment” phase of the 2020 Amendment process, and upon making the determination on which applications to accept, will move the accepted applications into the “Analysis” phase. There will be additional opportunities for public involvement throughout the 2020 Amendment process, including public meetings, public hearings, and targeted community outreach.

Where to Get More Information?

Visit the web site of the 2020 Amendment at [www.cityoftacoma.org/2020Amendment](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/2020Amendment)

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