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

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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 Comprehensive plan and Land Use Regulatory Code:

1. Heidelberg-Davis Land Use Designation (You are within the notice area for this item)*
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 this 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 received 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 Application

1. Heidelberg-Davis Land Use Designation
The applicant, Metro Parks Tacoma, seeks to re-designate the subject site 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.

- The site is located at the SW corner of S Tyler Street and S 19th Street.
- An approximately 16 acre parcel with 5 softball/baseball fields and a shared parking lot.
- Metro Parks has possible future plans to develop a soccer stadium with ancillary medical/sports medicine facility on the site.

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 (fall of 2019 through early summer of 2020), including public meetings, public hearings, and targeted community outreach. The applicant’s future plans for development of the site may also require additional actions, such as additional separate applications, public outreach and approvals at a later time as a separate action from this application.

Where to Get More Information?
Visit the web site of the 2020 Amendment at www.cityoftacoma.org/2020Amendment
Contact project staff:
- For 2020 Amendment – Steve Atkinson, satkinson@cityoftacoma.org, (253) 591-5531
- For Applications #1 and #2 – Larry Harala, lharala@cityoftacoma.org, (253) 591-5640
- For Application #3 – Jennifer Kammerzell, jkammerzell@cityoftacoma.org, (253) 591-5511
- For Application #4 – Lihuang Wung, lwung@cityoftacoma.org, (253) 591-5682