Tacoma Permit Advisory Task Force

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January 14, 2021
Meeting
OVERVIEW

• Thank you for being here
• What happened in 2020?
• In the works for 2021
What happened in 2020?

• COVID
• Building and Fire Code Updates
• Land Use Code Updates
• Permit Process Improvements
What happened in 2020? - COVID

- Coronavirus, first discussed seriously in meetings in Feb
- Closed PDS office to the public on March 18, 2020
- Continued processing permits, payments, inspections
- Online everything, staff mobile numbers published
- Budgets, Furloughs, and Hiring Freeze
What happened in 2020? – Building and Fire code updates

• Title 2 administrative changes, adopted
• Title 2 and Title 3 (Building and Fire Codes), delayed
  • Last minute changes to State Building Code effective dates, will communicate as soon as we know
• Stormwater Management Manual
  • Public Review complete July 31, 2020
  • Will adopt on July 1, 2021
What happened in 2020? – Land Use

• Infill Pilot Program, Phase 2
  • Currently Accepting Applications
  • Requires a Conditional Use Permit (CUP)
• View Sensitive District, New 20’ Height Limit
What happened in 2020? - Permit Process Improvements

- Language Translation
- Financial Reconciliation Process
- Project Signs *
- Escalation Process *
- Violation Investigation and Processing
- Curbside Restaurants *
- Temporary Shelters
In the works for 2021

• Anti-Racist Systems Transformation - Racial Equity Action Plan

• Planning and Development Services Work
  • Return to Offices
  • Safety Program
  • Technology upgrades

• Other Department Lead Work
In the works for 2021 – Planning

Each project has a separate forum for involvement

• Tideflats Interim Regulations
• Tideflats Subarea Plan
• Urban Design Studies/Design Review Program
• Home in Tacoma
• 2020 Amendments to the Comp Plan and LU Code
• Cushman and Adams Substations
• Residential Infill Pilot Program
In the works for 2021 – Dev. Svcs.

- Board of Appeals membership
- Adoption of 2018 Building Codes
- Pierce County 2023 Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan
- Online coaching meeting scheduler
- Stormwater Management Manual
- Affordable Housing Support
- Site Development and Work Order Coord.
In the works for 2021 – Other Depts

• Impact Fees
  • Beginning Phase 2 of 3 phase process, phase 1 in 2018
  • TPATF members are stakeholders, See 9/15/20 email from Daniel Pike
  • Schedule is delayed, and underway
  • Transportation Commission engagement opportunity in February

• Affordable Housing Action Strategy
  • One part is the Home in Tacoma project
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