Notice of Public Hearing
City of Tacoma

October 10, 2011

On Tuesday, October 25, 2011, at approximately 5:30 p.m., the City Council will conduct a public hearing on the six-month moratorium on the acceptance of applications for new building or other development permits associated with the establishment, location, or permitting of retail establishments that exceed 65,000 square feet in the aggregate. For additional details, please see the reverse side of this notice.

This hearing will take place in the City Council Chambers on the first floor of the Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington. All persons will have an opportunity to present their oral comments at the meeting. Those wishing to submit written comments may do so at the public hearing or may submit them to the City Clerk's Office at 747 Market Street, Room 220, Tacoma, WA 98402, by 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 25, 2011.

Ordinance No. 28014, which set the public hearing date, can be viewed in its entirety on the City's website at www.cityoftacoma.org/recentlegis by clicking on the link for August 30, 2011, or by requesting a copy from the City Clerk's Office at (253) 591-5505.

For more information, please call Mr. Brian Boudet at (253) 573-2389.

Wendy Fowler
Acting City Clerk

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City of Tacoma  
Community and Economic Development Department

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING  
LARGE SCALE RETAIL MORATORIUM  
October 25, 2011

WHAT IS BEING CONSIDERED?
On August 30, 2011 the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 28014, placing a six-month moratorium on the permitting of large scale retail establishments (those with a floor area greater than 65,000 square feet). The purpose of the moratorium is to allow the City time to evaluate the impacts of these kinds of uses and consider potential changes to its regulations and requirements.

The City Council referred the moratorium to the Planning Commission to conduct a public hearing and develop findings of fact and recommendations regarding the moratorium. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on October 5, 2011 and will be finalizing its recommendations to the Council on October 19, 2011.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING?
The City Council is seeking public input on whether the emergency moratorium should be retained as is, modified, or withdrawn.

Please Note: This public hearing is on the need for and duration of the emergency moratorium and not to seek comment on any particular changes to the City regulations or requirements for large retail uses.

HOW DO I PROVIDE COMMENTS TO THE CITY COUNCIL?
You can testify at the public hearing or provide written comments addressed to the City Clerk, 747 Market Street, Room 220, 747 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402, by facsimile at (253) 591-5300 or via e-mail using the following link: http://cityoftacoma.org/Citycouncil.

WHERE CAN I GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?
Additional information, including the moratorium (Ordinance No. 28014) and the Planning Commission’s Findings of Fact and Recommendation (once adopted), is available from the Community and Economic Development Department, 747 Market Street, Room 1036 and on the Planning Division’s website: www.cityoftacoma.org/planning
(click on “Large Scale Retail Moratorium”)

If you have additional questions please feel free to contact Brian Boudet at (253) 573-2389 or bboudet@cityoftacoma.org.