The Planning Commission is considering revisions to the City’s zoning regulations relative to large scale retail uses. The Commission is holding a public hearing to obtain community feedback on these proposed code changes.

**PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING**

Wednesday, December 7, 2011  5:00 pm  City Council Chambers
Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, 1st Floor

**WHAT IS BEING CONSIDERED?**

The proposed changes would establish a Conditional Use Permit requirement for large scale retail uses in most of the areas of the city where they are allowed. Retail uses larger than 45,000 square feet in the commercial and mixed-use districts and larger than 65,000 square feet in the industrial districts would trigger this special review. The proposed conditional use permit process would include requirements for public notice, a public hearing, and a pre-application community meeting. The purpose of this new permit requirement would be to provide opportunities for community input on future large-scale retail projects and to better ensure that these types of projects minimize their impact on surrounding areas and are developed consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
WHERE CAN I GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?
Additional information, including the complete text of the proposed amendments and other background information, is available from the Community and Economic Development Department at the address to the right, and on the Planning Division website:

www.cityoftacoma.org/planning
(click on “Large Scale Retail Moratorium”)

HOW DO I PROVIDE COMMENTS TO THE COMMISSION?
You can testify at the hearing or provide written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2011 using the return address on this card or by facsimile at (253) 591-2002 or via e-mail at planning@cityoftacoma.org.

If you have additional questions please feel free to contact Brian Boudet at:

(253) 573-2389

To request this information in an alternative format or a reasonable accommodation, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 591-5505. TTY or STS users please dial 711 to connect to WA Relay Services.