Subarea Plan and Environmental Impact Statement

PUBLIC HEARING

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Carwein Auditorium
University of Washington Tacoma Campus, 1900 Commerce Street

Please come to learn about the project and provide comments!

Summary
In partnership with the University of Washington Tacoma, the City of Tacoma is developing a long-range Subarea Plan and area-wide SEPA Environmental Impact Statement addressing future development in the South Downtown. As the second largest city in the Puget Sound region, Tacoma is the most important business center in the South Sound region and the South Downtown Subarea Plan and Environmental Impact Statement will capitalize on this potential and plan for expected future growth.

Goals
• Pre-approve up to 30 million square feet of new development space through the SEPA process.
• Prioritize transportation investments.
• Identify and prioritize necessary infrastructure improvements.
• Plan for parks, trails, and open space.
• Develop potential funding strategies.

Area
The geographic area of the South Downtown Subarea Plan and EIS project encompasses approximately 600 acres and includes the University of Washington Tacoma campus, Museum District, Foss Waterway, Brewery District, Hillside District, and Dome District.

Schedule
The South Downtown Subarea Plan’s planning period extends 20 years or from 2014 to the year 2034. Adoption by the Tacoma City Council is expected to occur in December 2013.

Appeals
For a non-project Environmental Impact Statement completed under the Washington Administrative Code section 43.21C.420, as here, the SEPA-based appeal opportunity occurs only in conjunction with the adoption of the subarea plan and the non-project Final Environmental Impact Statement (rather than a project-by-project SEPA review).
The City and community are working to prepare a South Downtown Subarea Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to support and guide the long-term redevelopment of the South Downtown area. Your input is requested. Please join us to learn more about the project and tell us what you think!

Comments on the project will be accepted until Friday, May 3rd.

For more information visit: www.cityoftacoma.org/planning
Click on “South Downtown Subarea Plan & EIS”
or contact the City’s Project Manager:
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