



City Council Public Hearing

2016 Annual Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code

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**Tuesday, July 19, 2016
5:30 p.m.**

Tacoma Public Utilities
Auditorium
3625 South 35th Street
Ground Floor
Tacoma, WA 98409

How to Provide Comments

Testify at the public hearing on
July 19, 2016; and/or

Provide written comments by
July 19, 2016, 4:00 p.m. to:
City Clerk's Office
733 Market Street, Room 11
Tacoma, WA 98402

Additional Information

Visit:
www.cityoftacoma.org/planning,
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"2016 Annual Amendment"

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Proposed Amendments

The subject of the public hearing is the 2016 Annual Amendment Package, as recommended by the Planning Commission on June 15, 2016. The package includes the following five categories of proposed amendments:

APPLICATION	PLAN / CODE AMENDMENT	DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT
1. Future Land Use Implementation – Phase 1	Plan & Code Amendment	Implement phase 1 of a multi-year effort to implement the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan by evaluating inconsistencies between the Comprehensive Plan and the Zoning map and to rectify the inconsistencies.
2. Multifamily District Design Standards	Code Amendment	Review and amend the development standards for the multifamily residential zoning districts to ensure consistency with Comprehensive Plan policies pertaining to street and pedestrian orientation, connectivity, building design, site layout, and off-site transitions.
3. Wireless Communication Facilities	Code Amendment	Evaluate the code in response to recent Federal legislation that identified wireless facilities as important basic infrastructure and to make sure local jurisdictions don't put these facilities through any unnecessary or punitive processes.
4. Short Term Rentals	Code Amendment	Amend the Tacoma Municipal Code to clarify regulations in support of short term rentals. The goal is to clearly delineate regulations specific to the growing short term rental market. Specifically, the regulations will address concerns related to life-safety and residential compatibility.
5. Plan and Code Cleanup	Plan & Code Amendment	Minor code amendments to improve consistency with and better implement the intent of the Comprehensive Plan. This year, the code cleanups are proposed for Tacoma Municipal Code, Title 1: Administration and Personnel, Chapter 13.05: Land Use Permit Procedures, Chapter 13.06: Zoning, and Chapter 13.10: Shoreline Master Program.