


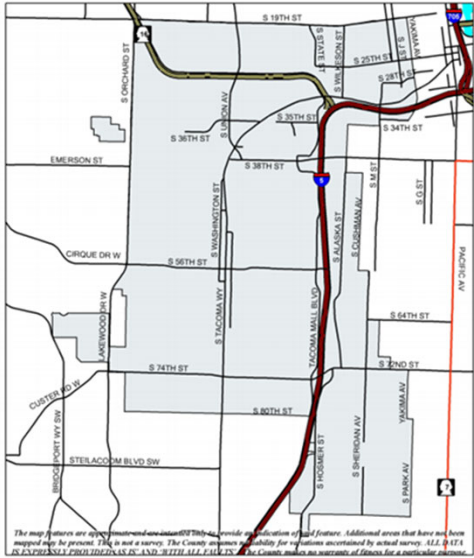
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## ● ● ● South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District





- Created in 1988 as an overlay zone in Title 13 of the Tacoma Municipal Code.
- Encompasses the South Tacoma aquifer recharge area.
- Created to protect aquifer drinking water from contamination.
- Boundaries expanded east past I-5 in 2006.
- Updated in 2011 to allow stormwater infiltration.
- Applies to businesses/commercial uses.

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## ●●● City Council Direction



“The Planning Commission will conduct a public process to develop findings of fact and recommendations as to **whether a moratorium on heavy industrial uses and storage of hazardous materials within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District is warranted**, and if so, to recommend the scope, applicability, and duration for City Council consideration within 60 days of the effective date of this resolution.”

— Amended Substitute Resolution No. 40985, approving the “Work Plan for South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District Code Amendments”, adopted on June 28, 2022

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## ●●● Commission Recommendations



### **The Planning Commission Concludes:**

1. A moratorium is warranted for:
  - Underground storage tanks (USTs)
  - Metal recycling and auto wrecking
  - Vehicle service and repair and industrial vehicle service and repair
2. Duration: 1 year
3. Work Plan: Incorporate into the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District (STGPD) Code Amendments for 2023

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## ●●● Potential Schedule



If this Committee recommends the full City Council move forward with a public hearing:

Dates (tentative)	Actions
<b>Sep. 20, 2022</b>	<b>Study Session – Review Commission Recommendations</b>
<b>Oct. 26, 2022</b>	<b>IPS Committee – Overview Presentation</b>
Nov. 9, 2022	IPS Committee – Panel Discussion
Nov. 22, 2022	Resolution – Set Public Hearing Date
Dec. 8, 2022	Community Meeting (by Staff)
Dec. 13, 2022	Public Hearing
Dec. 20, 2022	Study Session – Debrief Public Hearing and Review Work Plan
Jan. 3, 2023	Ordinance (First Reading)
Jan. 10, 2023	Ordinance (Final Reading)

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