

# **Moratorium on Nomination and Designation of Historic Special Review and Conservation Districts**

City Council Public Hearing

City of Tacoma | Planning and Development Services

March 5, 2023

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### Purpose:

Receive public comment on proposed moratorium

### Discussion:

- Recap of Resolution No. 41226
- Summary of Review Process/Discussion
- Planning Commission Recommendation
- Effect of Moratorium



## **Overview**



### City Council Resolution No. 41226:

The Planning Commission, in coordination with the Landmarks Preservation Commission, [is requested to] conduct a public process to develop findings of fact and recommendations as to whether a moratorium on nomination and designation of Historic Special Review and Conservation Districts is warranted, and if so, to recommend the scope and duration.

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## Review Process Summary

#### Public Process To Date (1 of 2):

Date	Forum	Subject
August 16, 2023	Planning Commission	<ul> <li>Present moratorium resolution and proposed process and schedule</li> <li>Set hearing date</li> </ul>
September 20, 2023	Planning Commission	<ul> <li>Public hearing on moratorium</li> </ul>
October 4, 2023	Planning Commission	<ul><li>Debrief on hearing testimony</li><li>Summary of issues</li><li>Identify key questions for LPC input</li></ul>
October 11, 2023	Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)	<ul><li>Review testimony</li><li>Adopt response to Planning Commission</li></ul>
November 15, 2023	Planning Commission	<ul> <li>LPC feedback presented to Planning Commission</li> <li>Finalize recommendations to Council</li> </ul>

http://www.cityoftacoma.org/historicmoratorium

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### Review Process Summary Public Process To Date (2 of 2): January 16, 2024 City Council Study Session Overview of Planning Commission recommendation February 6, 2024 City Council Set Hearing Date March 5, 2024 City Council · Public Hearing March 19, 2024 City Council Study Session Hearing testimony recap Discussion City Council April 16, 2024 Moratorium ordinance First Reading (tentative) April 23, 2024 City Council · Moratorium ordinance Second Reading (tentative) www.cityoftacoma.org/historicmoratorium

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## **Recommendation**

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council establish a moratorium on the consideration and adoption of new local historic special review districts for a period of one year, and that the moratorium should terminate following the adoption of the 2024 Comprehensive Plan and Code Amendment package.





### Moratorium Effects

If the Planning Commission recommendation is implemented, it would:

 Pause consideration of new local historic district special review district overlay zones for a period of one year

The proposed moratorium would not:

- Apply to existing historic districts, including boundary modifications
- Would not affect individual nominations to the Tacoma Register of Historic Places
- Would not affect any nominations to the National Register of Historic Places





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