

# **OVERVIEW**



- Proposed Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code
- Planning Commission recommendation for Council consideration
  - Six Individual Applications = One Package
- Analysis/outreach conducted between July 2018 and June 2019

## 2019 AMENDMENT DOCKET



### **Application**

- 1. Future Land Use Map Implementation
- 2. Shoreline Master Program
- 3. Historic Preservation Code Improvements
- 4. Housing Element Update AHAS
- 5. Manitou Annexation
- 6. Minor Amendments

### Origin

- ➤ High-Priority action Identified in Comprehensive Plan
- ➤ State mandated periodic review
- ➤ High-Priority action Identified in Comprehensive Plan
- **≻**City Council Initiated
- ➤ Joint City/County
- ➤ Staff + Council + Planning Commission + Permit Applicants

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### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT



#### **Planning**

Establishing Community Vision and Priorities



Outcome:
Codes for
Zoning, Building,
Infrastructure,
Environment,
etc.

**Code Development** Establishing community standards

#### **Permit Review**

Ensuring a proposal's consistency with community standards



Outcome: Completed Project

### Construction

Inspecting to ensure a project's consistency with approved permits

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# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**



#### **Diverse Access:**

- Neighborhood Meetings
  - Stewart Middle School
  - Geiger Elementary School
  - Asia Pacific Cultural Center
  - Stadium High School
  - STAR Center
- Evening meetings
- Attending standing meetings
- · Offered translation services
- Food and beverages
- · Activities for children

#### **Diverse Methods:**

- · Multiple ways to notify and inform
- · Multiple ways to provide input
- Diverse opportunities for interaction:
  - · Social media
  - · Informal meetings
  - Story maps
  - · Walking tour
  - Comment map

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## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**



- Community Engagement Plan
- Manager's Letter (x2)
- · Public Scoping Hearing
- Public Comment Map Online
- 5 Open Houses
- 23,000 Public Notices (x3)
- Informational Meetings (x2)
- Planning Commission Public Hearing (x2)
- · Other Notices/Social Media

- · Published Annually
- To 80+ Civic Groups and Agencies
- 14 People Testified
- 178 Comments
- 350 People Attended + 60 Comment Forms
- 210 Letters Submitted
- 95 People Attended
- 30 People Testified

# 1. FUTURE LAND USE IMPLEMENTATION

What is the relationship between Plan Designation and Zoning?			
Comprehensive Plan Land	Corresponding		
Use Designation	Zoning		
Single Family Residential	R-1 R-2 R-2SRD HMR-SRD		
Multi-family (low density)	R-3 R-4L		
Multi-family (high density)	R-4 R-5		

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# 1. FUTURE LAND USE IMPLEMENTATION

**Policy UF–1.2** Implement Comprehensive Plan land use designations through zoning designations and target densities

**Policy UF–1.4** Direct the majority of growth and change to centers, corridors, and transit station areas, allowing the continuation of the general scale and characteristics of Tacoma's residential areas.

### **Evaluation Criteria:**

- Transit service
- · Location on designated pedestrian streets
- Proximity to Mixed-use Centers
- Views
- Historic and Cultural Resources
- Walkable amenities

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# 1. FUTURE LAND USE IMPLEMENTATION

Locations with High Community Input	Current Zoning	PC Public Hearing	PC Recommendation
<b>Stadium</b> (N. 5 <sup>th</sup> and Tacoma Ave)	R-4L	R-4	R-4L
<b>Dometop</b> (including Strawberry Hill/McKinley Hill)	R-4L	R-4	R-4L
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Ave</b> (at Monroe)	R-2	R-4L	R-4L
Narrows (Skyline and Howard)	R-2	R-4L	<b>Further Study</b>
34 <sup>th</sup> and Proctor	R-2	R-3	R-3
72 <sup>nd</sup> and Alaska St	R-2	R-3	R-4L

R-2 = Single Family; R-3 = Two/Three Family Dwellings; R-4L = Low Density Multifamily; R-4 = High Density Multifamily

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# 2. SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM



- Comprehensive update adopted in 2013
- State Shoreline Policy Focus:
  - Protect the natural environment
  - Provide for water-dependent uses
  - · Promote public access
- Unique joint City/State approval and permitting process



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# 2. SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM



### **Periodic Review:**

- Comply with applicable law and guidelines
- Assure consistency with Comprehensive Plan
- Reflect changed circumstances, new information, or improved data

### **Key Inputs:**

➤ Reflect DOE's Periodic Review Checklist

➤ Integrate Biodiversity Areas/Corridors standards in shorelines

➤ Sea Level Rise Policy

➤ Update Geologically Hazardous Area standards

>Minor residential additions in the Salmon Beach community

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# 3. HISTORIC PRESERVATION CODE IMPROVEMENTS



Historic Preservation in Tacoma consists of the following activities:

- Identification Survey and recognition of historic resources
- Management Mechanisms for protecting historic resources
- Incentives and benefits Tools to assist property owners & encourage preservation of historically significant resources
- Education and Advocacy Tools to build awareness & promotion of policies to encourage preservation



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### 3. HISTORIC PRESERVATION CODE IMPROVEMENTS



- Enhanced demolition review
  - Mixed-use Centers + National Register Districts
  - Mitigation strategies
- Historic Conditional Use Permit amendments
  - · Allowing eating and drinking establishments
- Code clean up
  - Nomination processes



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# 4. Housing Element

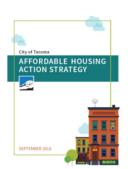


### **Proposed Housing Element updates:**

- Incorporate the AHAS as an implementation strategy
- · Add and update policies to reflect the AHAS
- Update affordability data and opportunity mapping
- Strengthen commitment to equitable housing/zoning policies

### What this action would mean:

- · Lends policy support to the AHAS
- Shifts to action-oriented stance on housing challenges
- Initiates future policy work on housing + planning/development



# 4. HOUSING ELEMENT

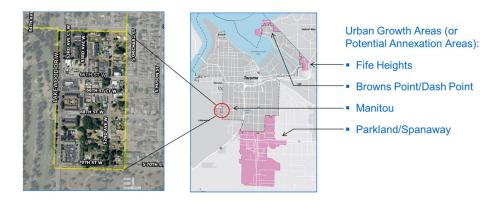


- Planning Commission implementation recommendations (AHAS Actions 1.2 *Inclusionary Zoning* and 1.8 *Diverse Housing Types*):
  - Near-term implementation: ADU Updates, Pilot Program 2.0, preapproved housing plans, housing development cost reductions
  - Growth strategy evaluation to promote housing goals
- Calls for a broad, data-supported analysis and community engagement effort

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# 5. MANITOU POTENTIAL ANNEXATION AREA

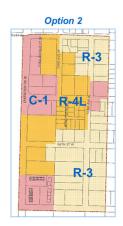




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# 5. MANITOU POTENTIAL ANNEXATION AREA





#### **Zoning Districts:**

- C-1 for all commercial areas
- R-4L for all multi-family areas
- R-3 for all single-family areas
- All with STGPD Overlay

### Land Use Designations:

- "Neighborhood Commercial" corresponding to C-1
- "Multi-Family (Low Density)" corresponding to R-4L and R-3

#### Note:

 Amending the Land Use Intensity and Zoning Classifications established in 2004

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## 6. MINOR AMENDMENTS



- · Objectives:
  - Update information
  - Address inconsistencies
  - Correct errors
  - Clarify intents
  - Enhance language
  - Increase administrative efficiency
  - Improve customer service

- Examples:
  - "R-Districts" vs. "Residentially Zoned"
  - Code reorganization
  - Integrating Pedestrian Streets
  - Transfer of Development Rights clarifications
  - Street trees

# HEALTH, EQUITY, SUSTAINABILITY



The amendments recommended for adoption were found to be consistent with and to implement policies in the *One Tacoma* Comprehensive Plan and to be supportive of the goals of *Tacoma 2025*:

- · Expanded the breadth/diversity of outreach and civic engagement
- Promotes diverse housing choice in areas supported by transit, walkable amenities, schools and parks
- Expands cultural and historic resource protections to neighborhoods not currently protected
- Integrates Equity Index into the City's Housing Policies and acknowledges inequitable access to neighborhoods and housing
- · Supports the growth of compact, complete and connected neighborhoods

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### RECOMMENDATIONS



The Planning Commission recommends adoption of the amendments as proposed in the Findings of Fact and Recommendations Report

#### **Other Recommendations:**

- · Portland Ave Corridor Plan
- · View Sensitive District
- · Affordable Housing Action Strategy
- · Sea Level Rise and Managed Retreat
- · Narrows Mixed-use Center and Neighborhoods

# **NEXT STEPS**



- August 15: Informational Meeting
- August 20: Public Hearing
- August 27: Study Session
- September 10: First Reading of Ordinance
- September 17: Final Reading of Ordinance

