

### **Tideflats Interim Regulations**

**Proposed 6-Month Extension** 

City of Tacoma | Planning and Development Services

City Council Committee of the Whole

October 8, 2019

#### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**



- October 1: Study Session and Public Hearing
- October 8: First Reading of Ordinance
- October 15: Final Reading of Ordinance
- December 2: Current interim regulations set to expire

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# PUBLIC HEARING



Public Hearing conducted on October 1:

- Approximately 29 letters submitted
- 38 People testified
- Letters from Puyallup Tribe of Indians/Port of Tacoma

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#### PUBLIC TESTIMONY



- Interim Regulations are unnecessary
- · Concern over the duration of the Subarea Plan
- Maintain as-is
  - Predictability for business
  - Supports continued investment
- Strengthen apply to existing uses
  - Maintain environmental baseline
  - Protect subarea planning process
  - Reflect changing conditions
- Support for Planning Commission Recommendation



#### ORDINANCE HISTORY



- Commission Recommendation:
  - Limited Expansion for Existing Uses
    - Heavy Industrial uses limited to no more than 10% cumulative expansion (capacity), via Conditional Use Permit.
    - Non-Industrial uses limited per existing non-conforming use standards.
- Council Adoption (Nov. 2017)
  - · Added Smelters to list of Heavy Industrial uses.
  - Removed limitations on expansion of existing uses (for both industrial and non-industrial uses).
- Council Extension #1 (Nov. 2018)
  - Substitute Ordinance considered, but not approved.
  - Would have required a Conditional Use Permit for expansion.



# COMMISSION'S FINDINGS

- Interim Regulations are warranted to maintain the integrity of the subarea planning process
  - Likelihood of development
  - Length of process
  - Regional issues
- Subarea planning is the appropriate process to comprehensively address issues
- Proposal does not pre-determine outcomes

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