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PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Public Hearing for Phase 1 of the Town Center Subarea Plan as

Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan

DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development Services

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SUMMARY

Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are processed as legislative decisions. Legislative decisions are non-project decisions made by the City Council under its authority to establish policies and regulations. The Planning Commission is the review authority for legislative decisions and is responsible for holding an open record Public Hearing on the official docket of proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments and making a recommendation to the City Council on each amendment. The proposed amendments can be found in Attachments 1, 2, and 3.

The purpose of this public hearing is to:

- Briefly review the proposed Amendments to adopt Phase 1 of the Town Center Subarea Plan
- Respond to questions regarding the proposed amendment
- Identify any additional information that may be necessary
- Forward a recommendation to the City Council

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS

By State law, an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan can only be made once a year unless it is a subarea plan. Subarea plans may be used to bring the City's land use and development regulations into conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, or to respond to changing conditions or needs of the City.

Phase 1 is a small, initial step to establish a study area boundary, adopt several framework policies to guide work on Phase 2, and repeal outdated policies in view of the Council's recently adopted preference for the "Flexible Alternative" for the Aurora Project.

The study area map does not establish or change zoning boundaries. It is to identify an area where nearby residents and property owners might have a greater interest in being involved in the discussion of future land use rules governing projects along Aurora or Midvale Ave N.

Appendix 5 is the future right-of-way alignment for the Aurora Corridor Plan in the Comprehensive Plan. It is in conflict with the Council adopted preference for the "Flexible Alternative" within the Town Center study area.

Phase 2 of the Town Center Subarea Plan will include actions consistent with the framework policies, establish specific standards addressing building height and lands uses, and identify appropriate improvements for heritage park, Midvale Ave N., and area walkways. A public process for Phase 2 will begin in late 2007.

TIMINGNG & SCHEDULE

The following table is a chronology of the Comprehensive Plan amendment process for the current proposal.

DATE	DESCRIPTION
August 17, 2007	 Notified CTED of proposed changes and City Council Public Hearing NO LESS than 60 days prior to City Council Public Hearing.
September 4, 2007	 Issued notice of public hearing 14 days prior to Planning Commission Public Hearing.
September 20, 2007	 Planning Commission Public Hearing on proposed amendments. Planning Commission deliberation and record recommendation to City Council on approval or denial of proposed amendments.
September 27, 2007	 SEPA Determination to be issued/advertised.
October 22, 2007	City Council consideration and decision on proposed amendments.

OPTIONS

- 1. Recommend approval of the proposed amendment;
- 2. Recommend additions or deletions of selected portions of the proposed amendment; or
- 3. Recommend denial of the proposed amendment.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Phase 1 Proposed Framework Policies

Attachment 2: Phase 1 Study Area

Attachment 3: Appendix 5 of the Comprehensive Plan: Aurora Corridor Right-of-Way Plan

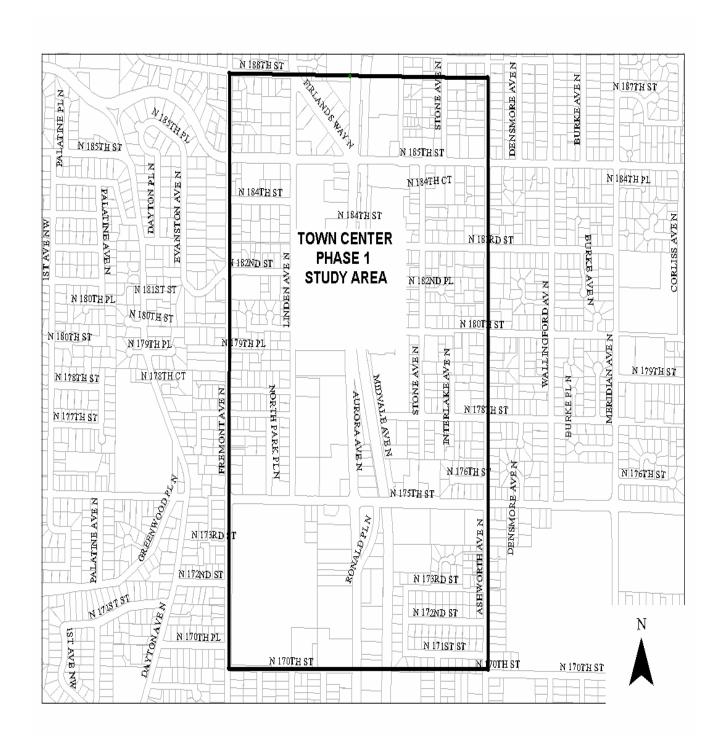
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FRAMEWORK POLICIES FOR THE TOWN CENTER SUBAREA PLAN

The following policies establish the framework for development of the land use, capital facility, and programmatic aspects of the Town Center Subarea Plan.

- FW-1 Establish a study area boundary (Exhibit A) to provide context for evaluating the opportunities and potential impacts from future development of commercial and mixed uses along Aurora Ave. N. and Midvale Ave N.
- FW-2 Engage Shoreline residents and businesses in detailed design processes for two facilities between N. 175th Street and N. 185th Street: the "heritage park" site on both sides to the Interurban Trail and Midvale Ave N.
- FW-3 Design roadway, transit and pedestrian facilities consistent with the City's preferred "Flexible Alternative" for Aurora Avenue between N. 165th Street and N. 205th Street.
- FW-4 Prepare a program of civic directional or 'wayfinding" signage and evaluate refinements to city sign regulations to reflect the emerging function and visual character of Aurora Avenue.

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Appendix 5

Aurora Corridor Right-of-Way Plan

Copies of Shoreline's **Aurora Corridor Right-of-Way Plan** are available for review at both local libraries and at the City Hall Annex. Copies are also available for purchase at the City Hall Annex. Call (206) 546-1811 for more information.

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