October 7, 2024

Olympia City Council PO Box 1967 Olympia WA 98507-1967

SUBJECT: Olympia 2045 Comprehensive Plan Utilities Chapter

Dear Mayor Payne and Councilmembers:

The Planning Commission is pleased to recommend approval of the Utilities Chapter of the Olympia 2045 Comprehensive Plan, with suggested modifications and comments below. We understand this update work is being completed in a phased manner, with each chapter being considered individually. We also understand that final adoption will not occur until the entire draft is reviewed for internal consistency as well.

The Commission had briefings on the Chapter on June 17, 2024. The Social Justice and Equity Commission also received a brief on June 6, 2024. A public hearing was conducted on August 19, 2024. Commission deliberations took place on October 7, 2024.

After completing deliberations, the motion to recommend approval of the chapter includes the following suggestions or modifications:

- Add a new policy: PU10.13 Use green stormwater infrastructure to facilitate the City's climate goals.
- Eliminate PU13.2 Manage waste as locally as possible.

We appreciate the opportunity to review the proposed chapter and provide a recommendation for moving this portion of the periodic update forward. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Zainab Nejati Chair