Olympia Planning Commission

November 4, 2024

Olympia City Council PO Box 1967 Olympia WA 98507-1967

SUBJECT: Olympia 2045 Comprehensive Plan Public Participation & Partners Chapter

Dear Mayor Payne and Councilmembers:

The Planning Commission is pleased to recommend approval of the Public Participation and Partners Chapter of the Olympia 2045 Comprehensive Plan, as proposed. 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 26, 2023, and August 5, 2024. The Social Justice and Equity Commission also received a brief on September 23, 2024. A public hearing was conducted on October 21, 2024. Commission deliberations took place on November 4, 2024.

While we do not recommend any specific changes to the chapter, we do recommend that implementation and outreach continue to have, and enhance, a strong commitment to equity and hearing from all community members, especially those who may be marginalized or have less opportunity to participate.

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,

Greg Quetin Vice Chair

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