Olympia Planning Commission

January 27, 2025

Olympia City Council PO Box 1967 Olympia WA 98507-1967

SUBJECT: Olympia 2045 Comprehensive Plan Capital Facilities Chapter Goals and Policies

Dear Mayor Payne and Councilmembers:

The Planning Commission is pleased to recommend approval of the goals and policies of the Capital Facilities 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 a briefing on the chapter on November 4, 2024. The Utility Advisory Committee had a briefing on November 7, 2024. The Social Justice and Equity Commission also received a briefing on December 2, 2024. Revisions to the draft were made, to reflect comments received at the briefings and from the public. A public hearing was conducted on January 27, 2025. Commission deliberations took place on January 27, 2025.

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 Chair

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