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Steve Langer, Chair
Land Use and Environment Committee
Olympia Planning Commission Liaison

Dear Councilmember Langer:

The Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) Charter adopted by the City Council defines the roles and responsibilities of participants in the review of the Olympia Comprehensive Plan Update. On July 9, the Olympia Planning Commission reviewed the work schedule proposed by staff and based on the target completion dates identified in the Charter.

Scheduling concerns raised at the July 9 Commission meeting were discussed in greater detail by the Comprehensive Plan Update Subcommittee of the Planning Commission on July 16. The Subcommittee agreed to request a meeting with you to discuss the proposed work schedule. You have agreed to attend our August 13 Subcommittee meeting for this purpose. The undersigned members of the Commission are submitting this letter to you to help structure this meeting.

The following matters may affect our proposed work schedule:

- Public comments on the July draft;
- Potential consequences of the 7-Eleven court decision regarding the regulatory role of comprehensive plans;
- The State's most recent population projections;
- Spatial simulation and testing;
- Citizen advisory committee interface;
- Shoreline Management Plan coordination with the Comprehensive Plan Update;
- Analysis of health and environmental research involving urban design;
- Analysis of recent natural hazard data;
- Receipt of the draft Environmental Impact Statement;
- Review and possible revision of 2011 CFP letter to Council.

The proposed work schedule suggests that the Commission may be unable to undertake a thorough review of critical issues before submitting its recommendations on the Comprehensive Plan Update to Council. We wish to inform you and, through you, the Council of this concern.

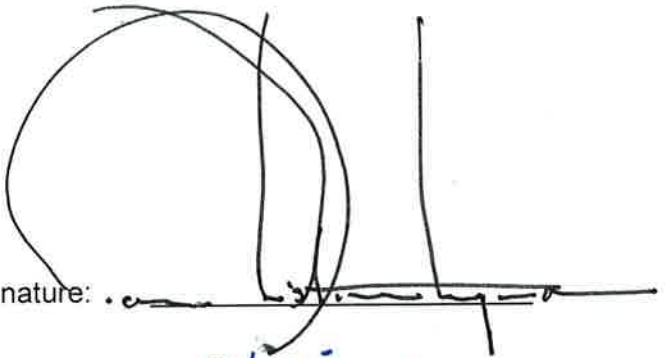
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