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ATTACHMENT 1

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING for Comprehensive Plan Update and of availability of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement

The Olympia Planning Commission will hold two public hearings on the proposed update to the Comprehensive Plan. The two public hearing dates are:

- 1) Monday, July 23, 2012
- 2) Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Both hearings will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Olympia City Council Chambers, 601 4th Avenue East, Olympia, WA 98501. There will be an informational open house with display materials and staff available to answer questions from 5:30 PM-6:30 PM.

The purpose of the hearings is for the Olympia Planning Commission to receive public comments prior to making a recommendation to the City Council on the following proposal:

Case name:

City of Olympia Comprehensive Plan Update (File #09-0082)

Description:

The City of Olympia is required by the Growth Management Act to conduct a major review and update of its Comprehensive Plan every eight years. The Comprehensive Plan sets forth a vision, and goals and policies to guide growth and development with the City of Olympia and its Urban Growth Areas (UGA) for at least the next 20 years. The Plan addresses such topics as public participation, the environment, housing, transportation, land uses and urban design, parks and recreation, utilities, the economy, and public services, such as fire and police.

The proposed Comprehensive Plan Update (July Draft) is the result of a process that began in 2009 called Imagine Olympia. The Imagine Olympia website, www.imagineolympia.com, includes a history of the update process to date, with information such as public comment collected during phases I and II, helpful background, handouts, and an earlier draft of the Comprehensive Plan Update (April Draft), which was released on April 2, 2012.

The Planning Commission will be seeking comments on the July Draft. It will be available online at: www.imagineolympia.com starting on July 6, 2012.

OPC CPU Staff Report, 7/11/2012: OPC Action Steps and Deliberation Process for July Draft Of the Comprehensive Plan Update



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The community is invited to attend and share comments with Commissioners regarding the July Draft of the Comprehensive Plan Update. There are two options for providing comments during the hearings:

Option A: One or two people jointly may provide public comment, with a maximum time limit of 10 minutes.

Option B: Panels of three or four people may provide public comment, with a maximum time limit of 15 minutes.

The time limitations will ensure that Commissioners have an opportunity to ask followup or clarifying questions.

Written comments may also be submitted online at www.imagineolympia.com, or by email to imagineolympia@ci.olympia.wa.us. Comments may also be mailed to: Imagine Olympia, PO Box 1967 Olympia, WA 98507, or hand-delivered to City Hall, 601 4th Avenue East, Olympia, WA 98501. The written record will remain open until 5:00 PM on Friday, July 27, 2012.

The Commission may choose to hold additional hearings on specific topics. Please email imagineolympia@ci.olympia.wa.us if you would like to be notified of future hearings and other opportunities for public comment.

If you need special accommodations, please call (360) 753-8314 at least 48 hours in advance and ask for the ADA Coordinator.

Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS):

As part of the Comprehensive Plan update (File # 09-0082) the City will provide an environmental review of the proposed changes. **The draft SEIS and associated staff report will be released on July 18, 2012 online at www.imagineolympia.com**.

Comments on the Draft SEIS may be submitted by email to imagineolympia@ci.olympia.wa.us, by mail to:
Olympia SEPA Official, Community Planning and Development Department PO Box 1967, Olympia, WA 98507-1967 or delivered in-person to City Hall, 601 4th Avenue East, Olympia, WA 98501. Submittals will be accepted until 5:00 PM, Monday, August 20, 2012.

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