Planning Commission - 2014 Work Plan

DRAFT TO COUNCIL

OPC will hold full committee meetings every other week in 2014. In addition to the full committee meetings, subcommittee meetings and special meetings will continue to be held, as needed.

Section 1. 2014 Policy Issues – Recommendations to City Council

Consistent with past practice, committee recommendations are forwarded to the full Council as part of the report for the relevant Council agenda items, either as a staff provided summary of the OPC motion and deliberation, an attached memo authored by the Chair or committee and/or an oral report by a member of OPC at a Council meeting. Unless otherwise noted, staff estimates there is sufficient professional and administrative staff time to accomplish Section #1 in 2014.

Professional staff liaison to OPC is Amy Buckler

Q= Quarter

Estimated Percent of Overall Committee Effort: 80%

Title Description	Committee Lead and Commitment	Staff Commitment	Schedule	Budget Implications
	Committee hours, not individuals.	Hours reflect working with the committee, not total project staff time.	Estimated timeline from start to finish.	
1.a. Review Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) 6-year plan Review the Preliminary CFP, hold a public hearing and identify whether proposals comply with the adopted City Comprehensive Plan. Deliverables: Recommendation to City Council on the 6-year CFP*.	4-6 hours of full OPC meeting time 10-12 hours of Subcommittee meeting time	CP&D staff: 14-18 hours Other citywide administrative and planning staff: 2-3 hours	Subcommittee will start meeting in 2 nd Q of 2014 Full Commission Deliberation: 3 rd Q of 2014	Included in base budget.
1.b. Review Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) 20-yr goals and policies Review the 20-year goals and policies in the CFP and identify any potentially needed amendments. *Needs to be discussed with Finance Committee/City Council. Review of 20-year goals and policies is currently on CPD's Work Plan for 2015. Deliverables: Recommendation to City Council regarding potentially needed revisions to 20-yr CFP policies.	4-6 hours of full OPC meeting time 10-12 hours of Subcommittee meeting time	CP&D staff: 14-18 hours Other citywide administrative and planning staff: 2-3 hours	May	Initial review and identification is included in base budget. Further review and analysis of specific policies is not included in the 2014 budget.

1.c. Campus Master Plans (Development Code Update for Consistency with Comprehensive Plan Update) Add provision allowing for recognition of 'campus' plans, such as for SPSCC, hospitals, etc. Possibly by expanding Conditional Use Permit or Master Plan process. This item would implement a potential policy update to the Comprehensive Plan. Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council.	Full committee: 3-4 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 3-4 hours	2 nd Q of 2014	Included in base budget.
1.d Rezone Criteria (Development Code Update for Consistency with Comprehensive Plan Update) Revisions to rezone criteria, including a zoning crosswalk (text indicating which zones are compatible with which Future Land Use map categories.) This item would implement a potential policy update to the Comprehensive Plan. Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council.	Full committee: 4-5 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 4-5 hours	2 nd Q of 2014	Included in base budget.
1.e Four Zoning Map Amendments (Development Code Updates for Consistency with Comprehensive Plan Update) Recommend changes in zoning consistent with OPC recommendations on the Comp Plan Future Land Use map:	Full committee: 3-4 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 3-4 hours	2 nd Q of 2014	Included in base budget.
 Henderson Park from Commercial Services-High Density (CS-H)* to General Commercial or similar zoning, LOTT plant from Industrial to Urban Waterfront zoning, Heritage Park from Multi-family to Planned Development (Capital Campus) zoning, 				
4. Two blocks on 8 th Ave SE from Commercial Services-High Density (CS-H)* to Professional Office/Residential Multi-family (PO/RM) This item would implement a potential policy update to the				
Comprehensive Plan. Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council.				

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1.f Other Potential Development Code Updates for Consistency	Full committee:	CP&D Planning Staff:	2 nd , 3 nd & 4 th Q of	Included in base
with Comprehensive Plan Update: The following items would	3-4 hours for each	3-4 hours for each	2014	budget.
implement potential policy updates to the Comprehensive Plan.				
OPC will wait until Council discusses and adopts the Comp Plan	(15-20 hours for all)	(15-20 hours for all)		
before moving forward with review of these implementing code				
changes. If related policies are adopted by Council, OPC will hold				
public hearings and review potential Code amendments to:				
1. Merge HDC 1 & 2 Zones				
Expand HDC 3 Zone (Establish Code for High Density Neighborhood Overlay)				
3. Extend design review jurisdiction to all projects adjacent to public streets.				
4. Relax home occupation regulations				
5. Amend environmentally sensitive area clustering provisions to				
allow more clustering				
Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code				
update for City Council.				
1.g PO/RM zoning amendment: Referred by City Council on	Full committee:	CP&D Planning Staff:	1 st and 2 nd Q of	Included in base
January 11, 2014 (likely will be complete prior to April 1, 2014.)	3-4 hours	3-4 hours	2014	budget.
Issue regards allowed size of single-use retail on large lots in the				5
PO/RM Zone 'west of Yauger.' Originated from the Community				
Renewal Areas barriers to development discussion.				
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Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code				
update for City Council.				
1.h Homeless Shelter/ Group Homes Zoning Text Amendment	Full committee:	CP&D Planning Staff:	Unknown	Included in base
Referred by City Council on January 11, 2014. Issue regards	4-6 hours	4-6 hours		budget.
thresholds for allowing low barrier shelters in neighborhoods, but				
scope not established. Also, will include change to definition of				
"family" in the Code to be consistent with TRPC recommendations.				
Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code				
update for City Council.				
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1.i Medical and Retail Cannibus Code: Referred by City Council on May 7, 2013. Council approved interim regulations for Retail uses in 2013, and needs to consider making them permanent. There is currently a moratorium on new Medical uses in the City, however City is waiting to see if the State Legislature establishes new laws concerning Medical cannibus during this year's session. Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council.	Full committee: 4-6 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 4-6 hours Other staff as needed: (i.e., Legal): 1-2 hours	Unknown	Included in base budget.
1.j Neighborhood Center Code: Proposed by the Planning Commission. For their 2013 Annual Retreat, OPC toured the 17 designated Neighborhood Centers in the Comprehensive Plan, and identified some potential barriers to development of these centers in the current Code. This work item would involve a review of current code, including some collaboration with stakeholders such as Coalition of Neighborhoods, business & development community. Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council	Full committee: 10-15 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 10-15 hours Other staff as needed: 2-4 hours	3 nd & 4 th Q of 2014	Some review and work is included in base budget for 2014. Needs to be scoped more.
1.k. Design Code Update: Carry over from 2013 Work Plan Refinements to make design code easier to use by developers and easier to administer by staff. Include integration of Pedestrian Street overlay into Design Code to give Design Review Board authority to review. *This work item has been on the OPC work program since 2011, but has not been completed due to time constraints. Although a more substantial review of the Design Review Code may be recommended or referred for a future year, this particular item has a smaller scope pertaining only to the structure of the design code. Deliverable: Recommendation on updating proposed structure of development code for City Council	Full committee: 3-4 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 3-4 hours	Unknown	Included in base budget.

1.I. Project Review Time Limits Carry over from 2013 Work Plan Update project review times in the code to reflect our streamlined permitting process (the Latimore process.) Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council	Full committee: 3-4 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 3-4 hours	Unknown	Included in base budget.
1.m. Special Project Approval Close-Out — Only as needed Final action on various special projects may require recommendation by OPC. (For example, as part of a development agreement, the City Council may have agreed to amend the zoning map after a project was built.) Deliverable: Recommendation on proposed development code update for City Council	Full committee: Varies	CP&D Planning Staff: Varies	As Needed	Included in base budget.

SECTION 2.

2014 Program Implementation and/or Input to Council or Staff

As programs are implemented and administrative procedures developed, staff often consults with committees for their input and perspective. Input from the committee is considered by staff in implementing the program or policy. This work is secondary to the primary committee purpose of policy recommendation advice to the City Council. There is sufficient staff time/resource available in 2014 to accomplish or advance these items.

Estimated Percent of Overall Committee Effort: 10%

Title Description	Committee Lead and Commitment	Staff Commitment	Schedule	Budget Implications
2.a. Implementation Strategy Commission discussion of a draft implementation Strategy in Spring, followed by any other involvement as determined by Council and the Land Use & Environment Committee (LUEC).	Depends on Council direction Anticipated:	Depends on Council direction	Depends on Council direction regarding role of advisory	Included in base budget.
Deliverable: Scope of advisory board involvement to be set by Council and LUEC in 2014.	Full committee: 1 hour in 2 nd Q, and then?	Staff: 1hour in 2 nd Q of 2014, and then?	committees	

12.b Climate Change Actions: Proposed by the Planning Commission.	Full committee: 2-3 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 4-6 hours	2 nd Q of 2014	Included in base budget
The Planning Commission will be briefed by City staff regarding actions which are ongoing or proposed by the City, local community groups and through Sustainable Thurston, as well as best practices from other communities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to climate change.		PW Stormwater staff as needed: 2-4 hours		Recommendation on Future Actions - not necessarily implementation of actions in this budget year.
Deliverable: OPC recommendation to the City Council for specific actions that could be plugged into the City's implementation strategy (i.e., partnerships, code changes, internal operations, community outreach, etc.)				

SECTION 3.

2014 Educational Briefings

Estimated Percent of Overall Committee Effort:

Title Description	Committee Lead and Commitment	Staff Commitment	Schedule	Budget Implications
3.1 Stormwater 101: Joint meeting with Coalition of Neighborhoods, including briefing by staff to learn more about the City's Stormwater program, regulations and implementation.	Full committee: 2 hours	CP&D Planning Staff: 2 hours PW Staff: 2 hours	April 14, 2014	Included in Base Budget
3.2 How the Development Code Works: Briefing to explain the elements of the development code and how they are generally applied to site development.	Full committee: 1 hour	CP&D Planning Staff: 1 hour	2 nd Quarter	Included in Base Budget
3.c Downtown Issues: Preparation for Downtown Master Planning work in 2015	Full committee: 2-4 hours (may be broken into	CP&D Planning Staff: 2-4 hours	4 th Q of 2014, 1 st Q of 2015	Depends on Scope

Deliverable: Opportunity for OPC and public to learn more about context under which City plans.	several 30 min segments or take up a full meeting.)	Other staff as needed (i.e., Public Works, Police, Parks, etc.)		
3.d Infrastructure Planning: Mostly pertaining to urban corridor and villages. What makes them viable? What are our challenge areas? Deliverable: Opportunity for OPC and public to learn more about context under which City plans.	Full committee: 30 minutes – 1 hour	CP&D Planning Staff: 30 minutes PW Staff: 30 minutes	Unknown	Included in base budget
3.e Development Community/Economic Factors: More engagement with business & development community, as well as relationship between density and walkability/transit goals. Deliverable: Opportunity for OPC and public to learn more about context under which City plans.	Full committee: 2-4 hours	Outside Experts: 30-60 minutes each	Various Briefing on Oly's Economy with EDC's Michael Cade tentatively scheduled for May 5	Included in base budget