



## City Council

### Agenda Item: **REVISED Tuesday AM - Initial Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Deliberations (New Attachment #1)**

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#### **Issue:**

Conduct initial deliberations on Shoreline Master Program proposals and provide staff preliminary guidance on development of a final draft.

#### **City Manager's Recommendation:**

Conduct initial deliberations on SMP and provide staff feedback and direction on the development of a final public hearing draft SMP.

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And other staff as necessary to respond to council questions

#### **Background and Analysis:**

On October 9, 2012 City Council provided staff with a list of questions that they had pertaining to the draft SMP (Attachment 1) and the information that has been received to date. Council expressed a desire to review the shoreline issues on a reach by reach basis. Major issues reflected in Council's questions include shoreline environmental designations, nonconformities, relationship between the Comp Plan and the SMP and mitigation/restoration.

City Council has now held a joint meeting with the Planning Commission and conducted four workshop meetings to develop a better understanding of the record, the vision and the issues that various interests in the community have for the shoreline. This input has helped council clarify the questions and issues that exist with the draft Shoreline Master Program updates that have been proposed by staff and the Planning Commission. These meetings and allowed community members, Department of Ecology, non-governmental interest groups and governmental interests to communicate directly with City Council.

The Department of Ecology has provided specific feedback on the Planning Commission draft by way of a checklist an annotated draft (Attachment 2 and 3). The Department of Ecology Handbook also provides a useful decision making tree that Council may find helpful as it considers shoreline environmental designations for the marine shoreline (Attachment 4).

City Council also has access to the voluminous record generated by the Planning Commission through its public hearings and deliberations.

City staff has provided City Council with additional information about the shoreline upland characteristics and impacts of the staff and Planning Commission SMP Updates in the form of PowerPoint Presentations, a spread sheet (Attachment 5) that details property characteristics along the shoreline and how it is impacted by the proposed regulatory approaches as well as a map of all shoreline ownership interests.

All of this information forms a rich source of information for City Council from which to begin its deliberative process.

**Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

See record.

**Options:**

Consider information and feedback provided through the Planning Commission record, workshop meetings, Department of Ecology guidance and staff information. Provide feedback and direction to staff to aid them in refining the draft SMP for ultimate consideration by the public at a future public hearing. Provide staff with guidance on possible next steps (Attachment 4).

**Financial Impact:**

Using budgeted resources.