

Resolution No. 31204

A RESOLUTION outlining specific actions, deliverables, and a schedule for completing neighborhood plan updates for the North Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello neighborhoods.

The City of Seattle – Legislative Department

Resolution sponsored by: O'Brien

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2 neighborhood plan updates for the North Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello  
3 neighborhoods.

4 WHEREAS, Seattle maintains a commitment to a true partnership between neighborhoods and  
5 government in building innovative planning structures and visionary neighborhood plans;  
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7 WHEREAS, in 1998 and 1999, the City Council recognized neighborhood plans for North  
8 Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello (previously called MLK@Holly) neighborhoods  
9 and approved implementation plans, i.e. Approval and Adoption matrices, for each; and

10 WHEREAS, the City Council approved resources in the 2008 Budget to begin updating the  
11 City's existing neighborhood plans; and

12 WHEREAS, in September 2008, the City Council passed Ordinance 122799 and adopted  
13 Resolution 31085, which collectively outlined a process for updating the City's  
14 neighborhood plans and placed a priority on updating neighborhoods plans containing  
15 transit stations; and

16 WHEREAS, Ordinance 122799 identified the North Beacon Hill, North Rainier and Othello  
17 neighborhood plans as priority candidates for updates to capitalize on the opening of Link  
18 Light Rail and light rail stations in these neighborhoods in 2009; and

19 WHEREAS, North Beacon Hill, North Rainier and Othello are three of the most diverse  
20 neighborhoods in Seattle; 70% of residents in the North Rainier neighborhood are people  
21 of color, nearly 50% of residents in Othello are foreign born and 60% of residents in  
22 North Beacon Hill speak a language other than English at home according to 2000 census  
23 data; and

24 WHEREAS, throughout 2009, the Department of Planning and Development (DPD) and  
25 Department of Neighborhoods (DON) conducted significant public outreach including  
26 reaching historically underrepresented communities in the North Beacon Hill, North  
27 Rainier, and Othello neighborhoods, that resulted in draft neighborhood plan updates; and

28 WHEREAS, meaningful community engagement, as evidenced by over 100 workshops and  
meetings, occurred during the initial phase of neighborhood plan updates, encouraging  
over 1600 City of Seattle residents to play an integral role in neighborhood planning; and

WHEREAS, in January 2010, the Executive submitted draft neighborhood plan updates to the  
City Council for review and approval; and



1 WHEREAS, as with the original neighborhood plans, the neighborhood plan updates include  
goals and policies along with potential implementation strategies; and

2 WHEREAS, in 2011, the City Council intends to consider the proposed goals and policies from  
3 each neighborhood plan update for inclusion into the City's Comprehensive Plan,  
Towards a Sustainable Seattle; and

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5 WHEREAS, additional work is required before the City Council can recognize the neighborhood  
6 plan updates and consider legislation to implement related rezones and development  
regulations; and

7 WHEREAS, ongoing meaningful community engagement must continue throughout all phases  
8 of planning and implementation that supports community building and neighborhood  
development; and

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10 WHEREAS, prior to, and as part of, Council recognition of the neighborhood plan updates, DPD  
11 and DON should work with the North Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello  
neighborhoods to develop implementation plans that include specific action steps to  
12 implement the strategies in each of the updates; and

13 WHEREAS, to inform Council decisions related to land use and the built environment in North  
14 Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello, DPD should develop urban design framework  
plans for each neighborhood prior to submitting rezone and development regulation  
15 legislation to Council; NOW, THEREFORE,

16 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE,**

17 Section 1. Implementation Plans. The City Council requests that the Executive build upon  
18 the community outreach efforts in 2009 and actively engage the North Beacon Hill, North  
19 Rainier, and Othello neighborhoods to develop implementation plans (previously referred to as  
20 "Approval and Adoption Matrices") for each of the updated neighborhood plans. The City  
21 Council anticipates a successful engagement effort will include the elements outlined below.

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23 a) The engagement effort should enable the public to provide feedback through a variety  
24 of mediums, including public meetings and the use of online surveys.

25 b) The engagement effort should involve diverse and meaningful community  
26 participation, measured by the number and diversity of participants attending community  
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1 meetings or responding online. Ideally, at least 50 people will attend the public meetings from  
2 each of the three neighborhood planning areas (approximately 1% of the population for each  
3 planning area) and at least an additional 50 people will participate online or through other  
4 avenues. Participants should reflect the demographic makeup of the community and at least one-  
5 third of total participants will ideally be from historically under-represented communities.

6 c) The engagement effort should identify members of the public who are willing to serve  
7 on project implementation teams, with a goal of involving at least 50 people from each of the  
8 neighborhood planning areas to participate in ongoing action teams.  
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10 d) The engagement effort should result in implementation plans that do the following:

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- 12 • Identify priority actions for implementation by the City, neighborhood, and other  
13 actors.
  - 14 • Articulate specific steps and deliverables that the City, neighborhood residents,  
15 businesses, or other actors will be responsible for completing within an estimated  
16 timeframe.
  - 17 • Contain the proposed goals, policies, and strategies from the neighborhood plan  
18 updates as well as those from the original neighborhood plans that remain relevant.
  - 19 • Include outstanding work items from the existing Approval and Adoption matrices  
20 for North Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello neighborhood plans that  
21 neighborhoods have indicated a desire to carry forward.  
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23 In addition, the Executive should submit a proposal to the City Council that describes  
24 how it will: 1) involve neighborhoods in plan implementation and stewardship; 2) structure city  
25 department workplans and/or staff teams to support neighborhood plan implementation and  
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1 enable departments to achieve on-going community engagement metrics similar to those outlined  
2 in this resolution; 3) track and report progress on plan implementation over time; and 4) provide  
3 a user-friendly, cohesive location for all neighborhood plan-related documents to be easily  
4 located and accessed by the public.

5       Section 2. Council Recognition of Neighborhood Plan Updates. Prior to the City Council  
6 “recognizing” each neighborhood plan update by resolution, the City Council anticipates it will  
7 hold at least one public hearing, or similar “validation process”, in Southeast Seattle to ensure  
8 the updates and associated implementation plans accurately capture the interests, concerns, and  
9 vision of the neighborhoods.  
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11       Section 3. Urban Design Framework Plans. The Council requests that the Department of  
12 Planning and Development (DPD) develop urban design framework plans for the North Beacon  
13 Hill, North Rainier, and Othello neighborhoods, drawing upon the proposed neighborhood plan  
14 updates and based on the Concept B options presented in the neighborhood plan updates and  
15 recommended for further study by DPD. In addition, DPD should provide opportunities for  
16 residents and businesses to participate in the development and review of the urban design  
17 framework plans prior to submitting them to the City Council. Prior to beginning work on any  
18 related zoning or development regulation legislation, DPD should submit the urban design  
19 framework plans for Council review. At a minimum the urban design framework plans should  
20 include structure height and bulk concepts; right-of-way improvement concepts; preferred use  
21 locations; proposed incentive structures for public benefits; open space concepts; pedestrian  
22 connections; an analysis of whether transferable development rights can accomplish any of the  
23 goals and policies in the plan updates; and an analysis of the employment and residential growth  
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1 capacity at buildout under the proposed concepts as compared to existing zoning. If a  
2 neighborhood plan update considers the potential use of minimum densities, the urban design  
3 framework plan should contain a rationale for minimum density standards that are proposed.

4 In addition, for the North Beacon Hill neighborhood, DPD should include an alternative  
5 to Concept B that further optimizes the region's investment in light rail. This could take the form  
6 of examining the potential for neighborhood commercial and multifamily zone designations in  
7 single family zones in close proximity to the Beacon Hill station. And, for the Othello  
8 neighborhood, DPD should include an alternative to Concept B that would allow the potential for  
9 denser development around Othello Park as one approach to increasing "eyes on the park" and  
10 improving public safety, as well as further optimizing housing opportunities within walking  
11 distance of the Othello Station.  
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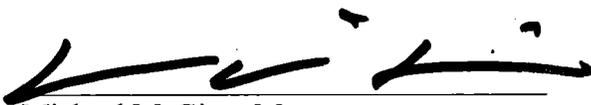
13 Section 4. Legislation Enacting Land Use Changes. The Council anticipates that after it  
14 has reviewed the urban design framework plans, it may direct DPD to prepare legislation for  
15 Comprehensive Plan amendments or regulatory amendments to implement concepts contained in  
16 the framework plans. The Council requests that land use legislation be submitted to Council in  
17 time for concurrent review with the annual Comprehensive Plan bill adopting future land use  
18 map amendments and updating goals and policies for the neighborhood plans.  
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1 Section 5. Schedule. To the extent possible, DPD and DON should complete the actions and  
2 deliverables within the timeframes noted in the schedule included in Attachment A. If any of the  
3 items cannot be completed within the timeframes indicated, Council anticipates that the sequence  
4 in which it acts upon items will be similar to that reflected in the schedule in Attachment A.

5 Adopted by the City Council the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010, and  
6 signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 19<sup>th</sup> day  
7 of April, 2010.

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10 President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

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13 Michael McGinn, Mayor

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15 Filed by me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010.

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**Attachment A: Schematic Schedule**

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		Neighborhood Planning - Schedule for 2009 Plan Update Implementation												
		Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10	Jul-10	Aug-10	Sep-10	Oct-10	Nov-10	Dec-10	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11
<i>Executive Actions</i>														
Develop Action Plans with Community														
Develop Urban Design Framework Plans														
SEPA Review of Endorsed Urban Design Framework Plans														
Draft Rezone and Text Amendment Bills														
<i>Council Actions</i>														
Recognize Neighborhood Plans and Adopt Action Plan														
Review Urban Design Framework Plans														
Adopt Goals and Policies in Comp Plan														
Adopt Rezone and Text Amendments Bills														



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• **Summary of the Legislation:**

This legislation provides Council direction and guidance to the Executive for completing neighborhood plan updates for North Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello neighborhoods.

• **Background**

In September 2008, Council passed Ordinance 122799, which outlined a process to update three neighborhood plans in 2009 and three additional neighborhood plans in 2010. The Ordinance identified North Beacon Hill, North Rainier, and Othello neighborhoods for the 2009 updates and anticipated the bulk of the work would be completed within one year.

On January 26, the Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee (SPUNC) began reviewing and discussing the three neighborhood plan updates referenced above. These updates are based on outreach conducted over several months in each neighborhood. The updates identify general goals and policies for each neighborhood and contain suggested implementation strategies.

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**X This legislation does not have any financial implications.**

The adoption of this resolution does not, in itself, trigger financial obligations. However, the City will need to continue to dedicate budget resources to support the on-going development and implementation of neighborhood plan updates. The exact amount of funding available may vary year to year.



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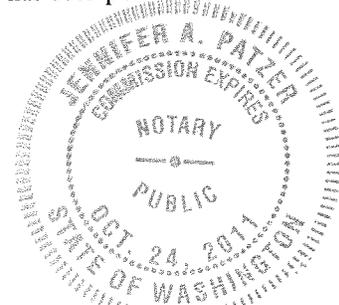
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### City of Seattle

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#### RESOLUTION NO. 31199

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Director of Housing to enter into a Multifamily Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement between the City of Seattle and the Ascona Apartments, LLC for new and rehabilitated multifamily rental housing on property situated at 200 5th Avenue South, Seattle, Washington, under Seattle's Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption Program, Chapter 5.73 SMC.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 31200

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Director of Housing to enter into a Multifamily Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement between the City of Seattle and Equinox Condominium, LLC for new multifamily rental housing constructed as part of a mixed-use project on property situated at 1520 Eastlake Avenue East, Seattle, Washington, under Seattle's Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption Program, Chapter 5.73 SMC.

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