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RESOLUTION 31313

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2 A RESOLUTION identifying proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments to be considered for
3 possible adoption in 2012, and requesting that the Department of Planning and
4 Development and Seattle Planning Commission review and make recommendations
5 about the amendments to the Council.

6 WHEREAS, the City of Seattle adopted a Comprehensive Plan through Ordinance 117221 in
7 1994; and

8 WHEREAS, the City of Seattle last amended the Comprehensive Plan through
9 Ordinance 123575 on April 19, 2011; and

10 WHEREAS, the City Council adopted procedures for amending the Comprehensive Plan in
11 Resolution 31117, consistent with the requirements for amendment prescribed by the
12 Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A; and

13 WHEREAS, in determining which amendments to consider the Council applies criteria set out
14 Resolution 30662 and incorporated in Resolution 31117; and

15 WHEREAS, various parties proposed amendments for consideration during the 2011 – 2012
16 annual amendment process; and

17 WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and the Department of Planning and Development (DPD)
18 have provided their views as to which proposals to further consider and review during the
19 2011 – 2012 annual amendment process; and

20 WHEREAS, the Council's Committee on the Built Environment held a public hearing on July 5,
21 2011, to take public testimony on the amendments proposed for consideration; and

22 WHEREAS, the Council's Committee on the Built Environment met on July 13 and July 27,
23 2011 to consider the proposed amendments; NOW THEREFORE,

24 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE THAT:**

25 **Section 1. Guidelines for Amendment Selection.** The City Council considers a variety
26 of factors in determining whether a proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment will be placed on
27 the amendment docket for a given year. Among those factors are the following.

28 A. The amendment is appropriate for the Comprehensive Plan:

1 1. The amendment is consistent with the role of the Comprehensive Plan under
2 the State Growth Management Act;

3 2. The amendment is consistent with the Countywide Planning Policies;

4 3. The intent of the amendment cannot be accomplished by a change in
5 regulations only;

6 4. The amendment is not better addressed as a budgetary or programmatic
7 decision; or
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9 5. The amendment is not better addressed through another process, such as
10 neighborhood planning.

11 B. The amendment is legal - the amendment meets existing state and local laws.

12 C. It is practical to consider the amendment:

13 1. The timing of the amendment is appropriate and Council will have sufficient
14 information necessary to make an informed decision;
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16 2. Within the time available City staff will be able to develop the text for the
17 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and, if necessary, the Municipal Code, and conduct
18 sufficient analysis and public review;

19 3. The proposed amendment is consistent with the overall vision of the
20 Comprehensive Plan and well-established Comprehensive Plan policy, or the Mayor or Council
21 is interested in significantly changing existing policy; or
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23 4. The amendment has not been recently rejected by the City Council.
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1 D. There has been a neighborhood review process to develop any proposed change to a
2 neighborhood plan, or a neighborhood review process can be conducted prior to final Council
3 consideration of the amendment.

4 **Section 2. Amendments to be Considered in 2012.** The following proposed
5 amendments should be further developed for review and consideration by the Executive and
6 Council as possible amendments to the Comprehensive Plan in 2012. The full text of each
7 proposed amendment is contained in Clerk File 311668. Amendments to be considered:
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9 **A. Container Port Element**

10 As required by R.C.W. § 36.70A.085, add goals and policies in a new element to
11 the Comprehensive Plan that define core port areas and areas of port-related
12 industrial use, provide for efficient freight mobility, and address land use conflicts
13 on the edges of port-related land uses.
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15 **B. Lake-to-Bay Loop Addition to the Urban Trails System Map**

16 Add the Lake-to-Bay loop to the urban trails system map in the Transportation
17 element.
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19 **C. Updated Policies to be Consistent with the Urban Forestry Management Plan**

20 Amend existing policies in the Environment Element for consistency with the
21 Urban Forestry Management Plan.
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23 **D. "South of Charles" Future Land Use Map Amendment**

24 Amend the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) to remove the area known as "South of
25 Charles" from the Duwamish Manufacturing / Industrial Center (MIC) and change
26 the FLUM designation from Industrial to Downtown.
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1 **E. Per Capita Emission Reduction Goal and Added Reduction Targets for the**
2 **Transportation, Buildings, and Solid Waste Sectors**

3 Amend Environmental Goal seven to establish per capita greenhouse gas emission
4 reduction targets for 2020, 2030, and 2050 and add as either goals or policies
5 sector-based per capita reduction targets for transportation, buildings, and waste.
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7 **F. Policy Changes Authorizing Long-term Homeless Encampments**

8 Amend existing policies in the Land Use Element to authorize long-term homeless
9 encampments as an allowed residential use.
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11 **G. Ballard II, LLC Future Land Use Map Amendment**

12 Amend the FLUM to remove an area east of 15th Avenue NW between NW 45th
13 Street and NW 51st Street from the Ballard / Interbay North End Manufacturing /
14 Industrial Center (BINMIC) and change the FLUM designation from Industrial to
15 Commercial/Mixed Use.
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17 **H. Port 106, LLC Future Land Use Map Amendment**

18 Amend the FLUM to remove property addressed as 1600 W. Armory Way from the
19 BINMIC and change the FLUM designation from Industrial to Commercial/Mixed
20 Use.
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22 **I. AnMarCo Future Land Use Map Amendment**

23 Amend the FLUM to remove property addressed as 2130 Harbor Avenue SW from
24 the Duwamish MIC and change the FLUM designation from Industrial to
25 Commercial/Mixed Use.
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27 **J. Moazzami Future Land Use Map Amendment**
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1 Amend the FLUM for two parcels in the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village
2 addressed as 1009-1011 NE 73rd Street to change the FLUM designation from
3 Single Family to Commercial/Mixed Use.

4 **K. Roosevelt Residential Urban Village Future Land Use Map Amendment**

5 Amend the FLUM for an area of the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village generally
6 bounded by Interstate 5 to the west, Ravenna Boulevard to the south, the alley
7 between 8th and 9th Avenues to the east and NE 64th Street to the north to change
8 the FLUM designation from Single Family to Multifamily.
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10 **L. "Sliver by the River" Potential Annexation Area**

11 Amend Urban Village Figure 9 to add an area known as the "Sliver by the River,"
12 which is generally bounded the Duwamish River to the north, 12th Avenue S. to the
13 west and Dallas Avenue S. to the south, to the Potential Annexation Areas.
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15 **M. Minimize Damage from Extra Heavy Vehicles**

16 Add the following new policy to the transportation element after T69: Minimize
17 damage from Vehicles that are heavier than would normally be allowed on Seattle's
18 roads and bridges, especially those vehicles that are owned by the City, counties,
19 Sound Transit, Seattle School District, or their contractors.
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21 **Section 3. Request for Review and Recommendation.** Consistent with the City's
22 adopted procedure for considering Comprehensive Plan amendments in Resolution 31117, DPD
23 is requested to review the amendments identified in Section 2 of this resolution, conduct analysis
24 and public review as appropriate, and present an analysis and the Mayor's recommendations to
25 the City Council by November 20, 2011.
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Adopted by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2011, and signed by me in
open session in authentication of its adoption this ____ day of _____, 2011.

President _____ of the City Council

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2011.

City Clerk

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FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

A RESOLUTION identifying proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments to be considered for possible adoption in 2012, and requesting that the Department of Planning and Development and Seattle Planning Commission review and make recommendations about the amendments to the Council.

• **Summary of the Legislation:**

This legislation identifies 11 proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment applications and associated amendments to be considered for possible adoption in 2012, and requests that the Department of Planning and Development and Seattle Planning Commission review and make recommendations about the amendments to the Council.

• **Background:**

With a few limited exceptions, the Council may amend the Comprehensive Plan once a year. Council's review process will end next spring with a vote on a bill amending the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan amendment process is set out in Resolution 31117.

Generally, the amendments process occurs in two steps. First, in the summer the Council reviews amendment applications and establishes by resolution a docket of the amendments the Council will consider. This is often referred to as the "docket setting" or "threshold decision" resolution. Second, in the spring of the following year, after Department of Planning and Development (DPD) review and environmental analysis, Council considers the merits of proposed amendments and acts on a bill amending the Comprehensive Plan.

This year the Council received 17 amendment applications. CF 311668 contains all amendments received or sponsored by the Council. This legislation places 11 of those amendments on the docket to be considered for inclusion in the Comprehensive Plan in 2012.

- *Please check one of the following:*

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