

June 27, 2012

To: Planning, Land Use & Sustainability Committee  
From: Peter Harris, Central Staff  
Re: Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments for 2012-2013

## **Introduction**

Every year the City Council considers amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan. Each spring the Council invites proposed amendments from the public and from City departments. In the summer the Council decides which of these proposed amendments it will consider for adoption the next year. This decision creates what is known as the Comprehensive Plan docket. This year the Council has received 15 proposed amendments.

### **What is the schedule for the decision on the docket?**

On July 11, the Committee will hear a brief introduction to the proposed amendments (essentially in the form of this memo).

Also on July 11, at 5:30 PM, there will be a public hearing on the proposed amendments.

On July 25, the Committee will discuss a resolution that would place one or more of the amendments on the docket.

On August 8, the Committee will again discuss the resolution and possibly vote on it.

### **Have the Planning Commission and the Department of Community Development made recommendations on the docket?**

Yes. You have received these under separate cover. They also have been posted on the Council's website and are available for the public at the Clerk's office.

I will reserve any discussion of these until after the July 11 public hearing.

### **What are the proposed amendments?**

The proposed amendments are summarized on the next two pages. The full texts of the proposals are available on the Council's website.

## **Conclusion**

If you have any questions, please let me know.

# 2012-2013 Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments

The proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, shown in the table below, were submitted for consideration during the 2012-2013 amendment cycle. This summer the Council will establish by resolution the docket of amendments the Council will consider in 2013. In November 2012, the Mayor will submit a bill and Department of Planning and Development (DPD) Directors Report with the Mayor's recommended amendments. In January 2012, the Planning Commission will provide recommendations to the Council on proposed amendments. In March 2012, the Council will pass a bill amending the Comprehensive Plan.

All attachments are in a PDF format 

*DPD - Department of Planning and Development*

*FLUM - Future Land Use Map*

## Original amendment applications:

*FLUM - Future Land Use Map*

App. #	Applicant	Brief Description of Proposed Amendment Application
1	Department of Planning and Development (DPD)  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	DPD proposes specific amendments to the Broadview - Bitter Lake - Haller Lake and Rainier Beach neighborhood plans and placeholders for future policies related to climate action, urban design and healthy food.
2	Seattle Planning Commission (SPC)  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	SPC proposes a placeholder for policies to guide implementation of the transit communities framework.
3	Port of Seattle  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	The Port of Seattle proposes the addition of a discussion section to the Container Port Element.
4	Lake Union Association  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	The Lake Union Association proposes several amendment to the Economic Development Element to support the recreational boating industry.

5	North Seattle Industrial Association (NSIA)  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	The NSIA proposes to change the name of all Manufacturing / Industrial Centers (MICs) to "Maritime / Industrial Centers."
6	International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU)  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	The ILWU proposes an amendment and several regulatory changes to prohibit new stadiums in industrial zones that would interfere with adjacent industrial uses.
7	Port 106 LLC  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	Port 106 LLC proposes to amend the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) for property addressed as 1600 W. Armory Way in Interbay to remove the area from the Ballard North End MIC and to change the FLUM designation for the area from Industrial to Commercial / Mixed Use.
8	MoxBay LLC  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	MoxBay LLC propose to amend the FLUM to remove an area northwest of the intersection of 15th Avenue West and W. Bertona Street in Interbay from the Ballard North End MIC and to change the FLUM designation for the area from Industrial to Commercial / Mixed Use.
9	Block at Ballard II LLC  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	Ballard II LLC proposes to amend the FLUM for an area east of 15th Avenue West between NW 51st Street and NW 48th Street to remove the area from the Ballard North End MIC and to change the FLUM designation for the area from Industrial to Commercial / Mixed Use.
10	Knoke  ● <a href="#">Application</a>	Mr. Knoke propose to add a Pinehurst Urban Village, and he proposes to amend the boundaries of the Northgate Urban Center and Broadview / Bitter Lake / Haller Lake urban village to capitalize on the potential for a light rail station at NE 130th Street.
11	Eastlake Community Council	The Eastlake Community Council proposes to amend the Urban Trails System Figure to include a proposed I-5 connector between SR 520 and the Mercer off-ramps in the Eastlake neighborhood.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Application</li> </ul>	
12	<p>Leman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Application</li> </ul>	Mr. Leman proposes that the Comprehensive Plan include an open and participatory government element or appendix.
13	<p>Leman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Application</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Leman proposes to amend a policy in the neighborhood planning elements as follows:</p> <p>N-3 Either community organizations or the City may initiate neighborhood plans with City support, to the extent provided in the City's annual budget. <u>For those neighborhoods that wish to, the City is receptive to continuing the model of the 1990s under which it funds neighborhood organizations to the neighborhood planning process under City contract and according to City guidelines and oversight.</u></p>
14	<p>Leman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Application</li> </ul>	Mr. Leman proposes to establish policy DT-TP 8, which "[d]iscourage[s] pedestrian grade separations, whether by skybridge, aerial tram, or tunnel, to maintain an active pedestrian environment at street level," as applicable to all other urban centers.
15	<p>City Neighborhood Council (CNC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Application</li> </ul>	The CNC proposes to add an amendment requiring that changes to residential and employment growth targets for the City as a whole or for individual urban villages be done by ordinance.