# MEDINA, WASHINGTON



#### **AGENDA BILL**

Monday, March 11, 2024

**Subject:** Comprehensive Plan - Utilities Element Final Review

**Category:** Review and Approve

Staff Contact: Jonathan Kesler, AICP, Planning Manager

#### **Summary**

On January 23, 2024, the Planning Commission (PC) did an extensive review of the Utilities Element of the Comp Plan Update. After a DSC Meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup> this Council requested changes to it at its February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, based on the revised flow chart approved at that meeting. The PC conducted an additional review of it at its February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. City Staff and the consultant made the changes/edits suggested then and brought the Utilities Element back to the PC at the Special Meeting of March 6<sup>th</sup>. The PC did a final review and **approved** the document with a few minor changes, along with the authorization to proceed with the Utilities Element to the City Attorney, then this Council. The City Attorney has reviewed it and made a couple of minor edits. **Staff/consultant are requesting review and final approval, so that this element may be sent on to PSRC and the Dept of Commerce.** 

Attached are four (4) versions of the Utilities Element, showing the *progressive edits* that have been made since the Council requested changes on February 26<sup>th</sup>. This includes the City Attorney's input on the element, also.

This Comp Plan Update meets and supports Council's priorities 2, 3 and 5.

#### Council Priorities:

- 1. Financial Stability and Accountability
- 2. Quality Infrastructure
- 3. Efficient and Effective Government
- 4. Public Safety and Health
- 5. Neighborhood Character

#### Priorities met:

- 2. Preserving and fostering the development of a variety of housing types, sizes and densities to accommodate the diverse needs of all members of the community while maintaining Medina's high-quality residential setting.
- 3. Clear guidelines are key to the efficient and effective completion of the periodic update of the City of Medina Comprehensive Plan by the December 31, 2024, deadline established by the state Department of Commerce under the Growth Management Act.
- 5. Preserving the quiet, sylvan neighborhood character of Medina.

## **Attachments**

Red-lined copies of the Utilities Element, showing the progressive edits outlined above. They are labeled for clarity.

## **Budget/Fiscal Impact**

None

## **Recommendation:**

Review and Approval.

# City Manager Approval:

#### **Motion**

I move to approve the Utilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan so it can be sent to PSRC and the Dept. of Commerce for their review.

Time Estimate: 30 minutes