



MEDINA, WASHINGTON

AGENDA BILL

Monday, May 13, 2024

Subject: Comprehensive Plan Update – Final Review of the *Natural Environment, Transportation, Housing, and Land Use Elements (including the Appendix with definitions)* before sending them to the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) and the Dept. of Commerce

Category: City Business

Staff Contact: Jonathan Kesler, AICP, Planning Manager

Summary:

The following is an outline of the action taken by the various governing bodies of the City of Medina, on each individual element, **thru May 9th**:

Natural Environment: Per Council's direction of Monday, April 8th, this element was presented to the Development Services Committee (DSC) at its Tuesday, April 16th meeting. At the Thursday, April 18th special meeting, the Planning Commission (PC) reviewed and revised this element. The PC voted unanimously to approve it to move forward to the City Attorney and this Council for review. Council reviewed these changes and suggested additional modifications at its April 22nd meeting. The City Attorney completed her review of it on May 3rd. **All** changes have been incorporated into the document by consultant Kim Mahoney.

Transportation: Per Council's direction of Monday, April 8th, this element was presented to the DSC at its Tuesday, April 16th meeting. At the Thursday, April 18th special meeting, the PC reviewed and revised this element and voted unanimously to approve it to move forward to the City Attorney and this Council for review. Council reviewed these changes and suggested additional modifications at its April 22nd meeting, as well as directing staff to send it to Police Chief Jeff Sass for his input. He reviewed this Element and returned it to staff on April 30th. He suggested two minor additions. The City Attorney completed her review of it on May 3rd. **All** changes have been incorporated into the document by consultant Kim Mahoney.

Housing (including the Appendix with definitions): Per Council's direction of Monday, March 25th, this element was reviewed and revised by the PC at its special meeting of Thursday, April 3rd and its regular meeting of Tuesday, April 23rd. The PC voted unanimously at the latter meeting to approve it to move forward to the City Attorney and this Council for review. This element was presented to the DSC at its Thursday, May 2nd meeting, as well. The City Attorney completed her review of it on May 8th. **All** changes have been incorporated into the document by consultant Kim Mahoney.

Land Use: Per Council's direction on March 11th, this element was reviewed and revised by the PC at its special meetings of Thursday, March 14th and Thursday, April 18th, as well as its regular meeting of Tuesday, March 26th. It was presented to the DSC at its Wednesday, March 20th meeting, as well. On April 18th, the PC voted unanimously to approve it to move forward to the City Attorney and this Council for review. Council reviewed these changes and suggested additional revisions at its April 22nd meeting. The City Attorney completed her review of it on May 3rd. **All** changes have been incorporated into the document by consultant Kim Mahoney.

Staff/consultant are requesting review and final approval, so that these elements may be sent to PSRC and the Dept of Commerce.

Attached is the **redlined** copy of each element, reflecting the final edits incorporated by consultant Kim Mahoney, after input from the Council, the PC, the DSC, the Police Chief (the Transportation Element only) and the City Attorney.

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:

Redlined copies of the:

- a. Natural Environment Element
- b. Transportation Element
- c. Housing Element
- d. Land Use Element
- e. Appendix (definitions)

Budget/Fiscal Impact: None

Recommendation: Review and Approval.

City Manager Approval:



Motion: I move to approve the revised Natural Environment, Transportation, Housing and Land Use Elements (including the Appendix with definitions) of the Comprehensive Plan Update so they can be sent to PSRC and the Dept. of Commerce for their review.

Time Estimate: 60 minutes