

2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update Ordinance No. O2025-010

*Balancing Nature and Community:
Tumwater's Path to Sustainable Growth*



Planning Commission Briefing, October 14, 2025

Intent

- Review the format of the Ordinance and the attachments
- Discuss adoption schedule



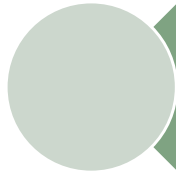


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Format for the Ordinance



Preamble



Findings



Conclusions



Adoption



Elements, Maps, and Appendices

Ordinance Adoption Considerations

1. Summary of the purpose of the periodic update and background on the Elements in the Plan periodic update
2. Public engagement to date
3. Review and approval criteria from TMC 18.60.025(B)
4. Public approval process for the ordinance
5. Public notification for hearing on ordinance
6. Staff conclusions
7. Staff recommendation
8. Effect of the proposed periodic update





Overall Plan Goals

Engagement

Goal PI-1

Continuously engage with the community and the region.



Coordination

Goal PI-2

Ensure coordination between Elements, Plans, and Subarea Plans of the Comprehensive Plan.



Community Vibrancy

Goal PI-3

Foster livability by evoking a sense of identity through arts, culture, and history and attracting and sustaining desired economic activity that supports the community by making investments that emphasize Tumwater as a welcoming place and enhance community building.



Equity

Goal PI-4

Ensure that all members of the community, especially those whose needs have been systematically neglected, are well served by making decisions and investments through an inclusive process which results in equitable outcomes.



Climate Resilience

Goal PI-5

Increase climate resiliency by promoting sustainability, reducing pollution, promoting healthy habitats, and supporting clean air and water.



Fiscal Stewardship

Goal PI-6

Make wise investments of public and private funds in community infrastructure and projects.



Environmental Protection & Enhancement

Goal PI-7

Protect and enhance the environment.





Update Adoption Schedule

Three Separate Ordinances

Three separate ordinances that will be brought forward in the Fall of 2025 and Winter of 2026:

1. 2025 Comprehensive Plan amendment (2026-27 Capital Facilities Plan) (Ord. No. 02025-009)
2. 2025 Comprehensive Plan update (Ord. No. 02025-010)
3. 2025 Development Code update (Ord. No. 02025-011)



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SEPA Review

- Expected October 17, 2025 – November 12, 2025

State Commerce Notice of Intent Process

- Expected October 17, 2025 – December 17, 2025



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Planning Commission Review and Hearing

- October 28, 2025 – Briefings
- November 10, 2025 – Work sessions
- **November 25, 2025 – Joint City Council and Planning Commission work sessions**
- December 9, 2025 – Planning Commission hearings



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City Council Review and Consideration

- January 13, 2026 – Joint City Council and Planning Commission work sessions
- January 27, 2026 – Work session
- February 17, 2026 – Consideration



2026 Development Code Update

There will be a second Development Code update ordinance in the first half of 2026 to address the code changes that support the Comprehensive Plan update but are not specifically required to be adopted by December 31, 2025



Submitting Comments or Questions

Written comments or questions are welcome at any time during the periodic update process

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