

TO: City Council  
FROM: John Doan, City Administrator  
DATE: June 14, 2022  
SUBJECT: Tumwater Craft Initiative Update

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1) Recommended Action:

This is a briefing only.

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2) Background:

Beginning with a feasibility study in 2015, the City, with numerous partners, has embarked on an initiative to create a center of excellence around craft brewing, distilling and cider-making. Numerous milestones have been achieved. This briefing will review the history, the current actions, and the work ahead. For background, the original study is available at the link below. You will see significant evolution of the project from that original concept. An updated “wheel” that shows our partners is attached.

[www.ci.tumwater.wa.us/home/showpublisheddocument/4615/636155112572170000](http://www.ci.tumwater.wa.us/home/showpublisheddocument/4615/636155112572170000)

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3) Policy Support:

Strategic Priority – *Pursue Targeted Community Development Opportunities*

Goals:

- *Facilitate brewery redevelopment*
  - *Implement public/private partnerships to rehabilitate the Historic Old Brewhouse*
  - *Rejuvenate the Brewery Neighborhood*
  - *Continue work with SPSCC and others to build Tumwater’s brand in support of the craft beverage industry*
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4) Alternatives:

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5) Fiscal Notes:

The work of this initiative has been funded with City resources, staff time, investment in infrastructure, the State Legislature, and numerous public and private partners.

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6) Attachments:

A. Partnership Wheel