

TO: City Council
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DATE: January 9, 2024
SUBJECT: Ordinance No. O2023-002, Final Docket for 2023 Comprehensive Plan Amendments

1) Recommended Action:

Conduct a work session on Ordinance No. O2023-002 and place the ordinance on the City Council consideration calendar for approval on February 6, 2024.

2) Background:

Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130 and TMC 18.60.025(A)(2), amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan and corresponding rezones are only considered once per calendar year. On October 18, 2022, the City Council approved Ordinance No. O2022-023, which suspended the Comprehensive Plan Annual Amendment Cycle during the 2023 – 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update, except for City-sponsored amendments.

The City's annual 2023 Final Docket of Comprehensive Plan amendments include two City-sponsored Comprehensive Plan amendments: adoption of the 2024 – 2029 Six-Year Capital Facilities Plan Update and adoption of the Old Highway 99 Corridor Plan.

The Capital Facilities Plan programs City expenditures for a six-year period in five broad, programmatic categories: general government, transportation, water, sanitary sewer, and storm drain projects. The Capital Facilities Plan is updated every two years, opposite the biennial budget process and is part of the City's Comprehensive Plan update that will be scheduled for Council consideration later this fall.

The Planning Commission started discussions of the 2024 – 2029 Capital Facilities Plan at their July 11, 2023, work session with an introduction to the transportation and general government project list. Discussions of water, sanitary sewer, and storm drain project lists occurred at a second work session on August 8, 2023.

The Planning Commission received a briefing on the final docket and Ordinance No. O2023-002 at their November 14, 2023 meeting and discussed the ordinance at their November 28, 2023 work session.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on December 12, 2023 and recommended approval of Ordinance No. O2023-002.

3) Policy Support:

Goal LPP-1: Provide sufficient and efficient services to Tumwater and the Urban Growth Area.

Goal LU-1: Ensure the Land Use Element is implementable and coordinated with all applicable City plans and the plans of other jurisdictions in the Thurston region.

4) Alternatives:

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5) Fiscal Notes:

The projects in the 2024 – 2029 Capital Facilities Report and Old Highway 99 Corridor Study are internally funded as well funded through outside state and federal grants.

6) Attachments:

- A. Staff Report
- B. Ordinance No. O2023-002
- C. 2024 – 2029 Capital Facilities Report
- D. Old Highway 99 Corridor Study