



City of Bellevue

Annual Comprehensive Plan amendment process Land Use Code Amendment

City Council Study Session

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Direction Needed from Council

Review the proposed Land Use Code amendment with Planning Commission chair Anne Morisseau presenting the Commission's recommendation.

Direct staff to return with Regular Session ordinance action on the proposed Land Use Code amendment.

AGENDA



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Land Use Code Amendment - Context



Planning Commission recommendations



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LUCA - Context

- 2019 City Council Threshold Review general policy inquiry discussion (June) identifying immediate concerns:
 - Use of the three-year limitation decision criterion in practice
 - Acknowledging the uncertainty caused by reviewing site-specific plan amendment proposals during GN work
 - Expressed neighborhood frustration about the disruptive frequency of plan amendments

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LUCA - Recommendations

- Initiation of amendment proposals section in [20.30I.130.A.2.d](#) (Application for Consideration of Amendment Proposals. Three-Year Limitation)

...would be amended to measure the three-year limitation decision criterion from when an application for a proposed plan amendment is submitted. This measuring would continue to apply to property added through geographic scoping.

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LUCA - Recommendations

- The Scope and Background section in [20.30I.110](#)

...would be amended to prohibit privately-initiated amendments within a Great Neighborhoods area while a Council-initiated plan amendment process is underway in that area.

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LUCA - Recommendations

- Initiation of amendment proposals section in [20.30I.130.A.2.a](#) (Application for Consideration of Amendment Proposals. Time)
 - ...would be amended to require applications for proposed amendments to be submitted by September 15 of the year preceding the annual review year.

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LUCA – Planning Commission

Approve

- Consistent with the Comprehensive Plan
- Enhances the public health, safety, or welfare
- Is not contrary to the best interests of the citizens and property owners of the City of Bellevue



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