

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Ordinance adopting the Affordable Housing Strategy (AHS) Action C-1, Phase 2, Comprehensive Plan Amendments (22-105258 AC) pursuant to the Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A RCW, and Chapter 35A.63 RCW; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance amends the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Map and Housing Element to incorporate policies to enable rezones of qualifying properties from single-family to multifamily land use districts when the qualifying property is developed with 100 percent permanent affordable housing. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the Comprehensive Plan amendments in this year's annual CPA work program.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Ordinance No. 6708

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

To be consistent with past Council direction, action on the 2022 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are considered by individual ordinance. A separate general Ordinance covers the amending action to the Comprehensive Plan itself, consistent with the Growth Management Act (Chapter 36.70A RCW) provisions relating to annual review of the Comprehensive Plan.

This Ordinance is one of two individual ordinances related to the specific 2022 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. These two ordinances are presented under separate agenda items for each proposed amendment and reflect November 14 City Council direction to act on the proposed 2022 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Growth Management Act and Comprehensive Plan

The Growth Management Act states that comprehensive plans may be amended no more frequently than once per year (with limited exceptions) so that the cumulative effect of the proposals can be considered. Bellevue's 2022 annual Comprehensive Plan amendment work program includes two City-initiated amendments in Final Review by action of the City Council under LUC 20.30I.130.B.1.

Fiscal Impact

Adoption of the 2022 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan sets City policy. Though there is no direct fiscal impact related to the adoption of an amendment, implementation may influence future decision making and proposed investments. Investments outside of the scope of the current biennial budget may be proposed in future budget processes for Council approval.

OPTIONS

- 1. Adopt the Ordinance adopting the Affordable Housing Strategy (AHS) Action C-1, Phase 2, Comprehensive Plan Amendments (22-105258 AC) pursuant to the Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A RCW, and Chapter 35A.63 RCW; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.
- 2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Ordinance No. 6708

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N/A