

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Ordinance adopting the C-1 Affordable Housing Strategy (20-112885 AC) 2020 amendment to the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Bellevue pursuant to the Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A RCW, and Chapter 35A.63 RCW; and establishing an effective date.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance amends the Comprehensive Plan's Volume 1 Housing Element and Glossary with Citywide policies for an incentive-based approach for increasing affordable housing development potential, consistent with Affordable Housing Strategy C-1: Increase development potential on suitable land owned by public, non-profit housing, and faith-based entities for affordable housing. The Planning Commission separately recommended approval of the C-1 Affordable Housing Strategy amendment in this year's annual Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) work program.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Ordinance No 6562

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

To be consistent with past Council direction, action on the 2020 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 provisions relating to annual review.

The Ordinances presented under separate agenda items for each proposed amendment reflect November 16 City Council direction to act on one or more of the proposed 2020 Comprehensive Plan amendments. City Council direction for the C-1 Affordable Housing Strategy included the Planning Commission recommendation for updated household income data and analysis of site and infrastructure impacts to be provided during review of Land Use Code (LUC) Amendments implementing C-1 policy direction.

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 2020 annual Comprehensive Plan amendment work program includes four privately-initiated plan amendments and one City-initiated amendment in Final Review under LUC 20.30I.130.B.1.

Fiscal Impact

Adoption of the 2020 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan sets City policy. Although there is no direct fiscal impact resulting from 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 C-1 Affordable Housing Strategy (20-112885 AC) 2020 amendment to the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Bellevue pursuant to the Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A RCW, and Chapter 35A.63 RCW; and establishing an effective date.
- 2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

Proposed Ordinance No. 6562

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N/A