

Bellevue Planning Commission

A Resolution of the Planning Commission April 28, 2021

Grand Connection Sequence One Guidelines and Standards Land Use Code Amendment Recommendation

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Х			Radhika Moolgavkar, Chair
Х			Mohammad Malakoutian, Vice-chair
Х			Vishal Bhargava
		Х	Karol Brown
		Х	John DeVadoss
Х			Carolynn Ferris
Х			Anne Morisseau
On the motion o	f: Commissioner Mor	isseau	I
Seconded by: Co	mmissioner Bhargav	a	
The following res	solution was: Grand (Connection Sequence	e One Guidelines and Standards Land Use
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WHEREAS, in 2017, the City adopted the Grand Connection Framework Plan as the high-level vision for the corridor between Meydenbauer Bay and the Civic Center District; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the City adopted the Grand Connection Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) through Ordinance No. 6449 to advance the Grand Connection Framework Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Connection CPA included Policies UD-50.1, UD-69.1, UD-20.1, S-DT-45, S-DT-45.1, S-DT-79, S-DT-81, S-DT-87, which provided direction to improve livability, access, and placemaking along the Grand Connection route; and

WHEREAS, the City is required under RCW 36.70A.040(4)(d) to implement the goals and policies of the City's Comprehensive Plan by adoption of implementing development regulations; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3.64.070 Bellevue City Code and Chapter 20.35.410 Land Use Code establishes the powers and duties of the Planning Commission to act in an advisory capacity to the City



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Council by holding public hearings, advising, and making recommendations to the City Council on land use ordinances and regulations to implement the comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held study sessions on March 10, 2021 and March 24, 2021, to discuss this Land Use Code amendment to establish a new section 20.25A.175 Grand Connection and Major Public Open Spaces in the Land Use Code, to update and replace the Pedestrian Corridor and Major Public Open Space Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Coordinator for the City of Bellevue determined that this text amendment to the Land Use Code will not result in any probable, significant, adverse impact and issued a final threshold determination of non-significance on February 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on April 28, 2021 for the land use code amendment; and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission finds that the proposed amendments meet the decision criteria of LUC 20.30J.135 and are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, enhance the public safety and welfare, and are not contrary to the best interest of the citizens and property owners of the City of Bellevue; now, therefore,

THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS TO THE CITY COUNCIL THAT IT ADOPTS THE GRAND CONNECTION SEQUENCE ONE GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS LAND USE CODE AMENDMENT (20-110291-AD).

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Radhika Moolgavkar, Chair

Thara Johnson, staff liaison

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Date

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