

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-004

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ARLINGTON ADOPTING THE
2022 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FINAL DOCKET

WHEREAS, the City's Comprehensive Plan 2015 update was adopted January 25, 2018;
and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.130 allows jurisdictions to make amendments to its comprehensive plan once annually, and directs that the city shall compile and maintain a list, known as a "docket", of all city-initiated and privately-initiated proposed comprehensive plan amendments; and

WHEREAS, AMC 20.96.100 allows the city to make amendments to its development regulations, and directs that most development regulation amendments be processed concurrently with comprehensive planning docket developed under AMC 20.96.030 (b); and

WHEREAS, there are two city-initiated proposals and no privately-initiated proposals for the 2022 preliminary docket; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary docket was made available to the public for review and comment at least fifteen days prior to consideration by the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Community and Economic Development made a recommendation to the Planning Commission as to which proposed amendments should be included in the final docket; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a noticed hearing on March 15, 2022 on selection of proposed amendments for the final docket; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission's Findings of Fact and determination per AMC 20.96.050, are attached hereto as exhibit;

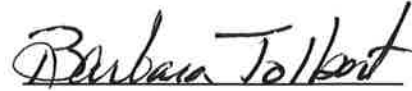
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARLINGTON, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Arlington City Council hereby adopts the Planning Commission's findings and the docket recommendation made by the Planning Commission per the selection and decision criteria outlined in AMC 20.96.060 as the 2022 Final Docket.

2. Except as provided in AMC 20.96.010(d), no additional comprehensive plan amendments may be considered after council adoption of the 2022 docket.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 4th day of April, 2022.

CITY OF ARLINGTON



Barbara Tolbert, Mayor

ATTEST:



Wendy Van Der Meersche, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Steven J. Peiffle
City Attorney



City of Arlington Community and Economic Development Planning Commission

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Regarding:

Proposed 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket

Summary:

The Planning Commission discussed the 2022 proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket at its March 1, 2022, workshop, and subsequently held an on-line open record Public Hearing to consider this item on March 15, 2022. The Planning Commission transmits the following findings and recommendation to the City Council:

Findings:

1. State law (RCW 36.70A.130) allows Cities to amend their Comprehensive Plans once annually. In 2016, the Council updated and clarified the docketing process for submission and review of all proposed amendments as part of an effort to ensure that these proposed changes were considered together.
2. AMC 20.96.020 provides clarifying detail for initiating amendments to the Comprehensive Plan by either the City or by private parties.
3. In either case, the process for inclusion of the proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments on the Docket are further regulated by AMC 20.96.22 (a) and (b). The only exception to this section is for emergency amendments, none of which were proposed for the 2022 docket.
4. There are two items on the 2022 Preliminary Comprehensive Plan Docket; both are City initiated.
5. In the first item, the City is recommending the rezone of a 0.56-acre lot from Public/Semi-Public zoning to Residential Moderate Capacity. The parcel is currently owned by the City of Arlington and encompasses the eastern parcel of J. Rudy York Park. Council has approved the sale of this parcel for private development, the proceeds of which will go to the Parks and Recreation capital fund. The future zoning of the property is required to make the parcel marketable for development. Approval by the City Council is required for all rezone applications. If the request is granted, the City's Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map and the City's Official Zoning Map will need to be amended. The rezone of this parcel has a lengthy history with Council, having been heard multiple times.
6. The second item is regarding updates to Title 20 of the Arlington Municipal Code. Over the past two years council has approved multiple changes to the Land Use Code, including changes to the zoning map, creation of new zoning designations, the addition of new housing types and the creation of overlay design standards. The proposed code amendments are reflective of these and other changes to both the



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Comprehensive Plan and the Land Use Code. Most of the changes are minor technical adjustments made to insure consistency with both the Comprehensive Plan and for internal code consistency. The recommended changes also address revisions to sections that have not been revised or updated for multiple years.

Conclusion and Recommendation:

Based on the foregoing findings and testimony received at the hearing, the Planning Commission hereby recommends, on a vote of four affirmative and one abstention, that the City Council approve the proposed 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket.

Respectfully submitted through the Department of Community and Economic Development to the City Council this Sixteenth day of March 2022 by:

 *Timothy M Dean* 03/17/22

Tim Dean
City of Arlington Planning Commission Chair