

Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) Update

A monthly snapshot of all the planning work going on in your neighborhoods.

Code Reconciliation Project

A Discussion Draft was released in July for public review and feedback; submit your comments by August 28, 2017.

The Code Reconciliation Project Discussion Draft can be found online at: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/647563>.

The Code Reconciliation Project (CRP) will amend the Zoning Code and other City rules to ensure compatibility with recently adopted Zoning Code amendments from the [2035 Comprehensive Plan](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/70936) (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/70936>) and the [Inclusionary Housing Program](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/71274) (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/71274>).

The draft code amendments, including changes to Title 33 (Zoning), Title 11 (Trees), Title 18 (Noise Control), and Title 32 (Signs), are primarily technical fixes, but also include a few minor policy issues and changes to development allowances. *The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability has separated the Neighborhood Contact Requirement review from the Code Reconciliation Project to give it more time and attention.*

Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission public meetings and hearings will be scheduled later this year.

Visit: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/72600>

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Neighborhood Contact Requirement Project

A new project kicks off to improve how we inform residents about new development.

This project will review the [“Neighborhood Contact” requirement in the Zoning Code \(33.700.025\)](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/53464) (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/53464>), exploring ways to create a workable and effective process that meets the goals of information sharing and early dialogue with community members. This was an element of the Code Reconciliation Project, but has now been moved to a separate project.

A Discussion Draft will be released in the fall.

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Better Housing by Design (BHD)

Comment period on Concept Report closed on August 7. Discussion Draft to be released in the fall.

The recent Concept Report shares potential code changes aimed to improve multi-family development for current and future residents. These include proposals for creating more open space and greater accessibility for people of all ages and abilities, prioritizing affordable housing and preserving trees, simplifying setback requirements, increasing connections to streets and more.

Project staff are reviewing comments received on the [The Concept Report](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73945) (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73945>) and will consider them as they develop a Discussion Draft.

This project also focuses on East Portland, fostering better development that reflects the area's distinct characteristics and needs of the community. It is coordinated with the Portland Bureau of Transportation's [Connected Centers Street Plan](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/transportation/71334) (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/transportation/71334>), which focuses on street plans for the Jade District and Rosewood/Glenfair centers.

Visit: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/betterhousing

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Map Refinement Project

A Proposed Draft will be released in mid-September 2017.

The Map Refinement Project will evaluate and amend the Comprehensive Plan Map and/or the Zoning Map designations for a limited number of sites based on consistency with the recently adopted 2035 Comprehensive Plan.

The public comment deadline for the Discussion Draft was July 31. Staff is considering these comments to develop the Proposed Draft, which will be published in September 2017. Following publication of the Proposed Draft:

- Public notice will be mailed to affected property owners, affected occupants and recognized organizations, etc.
- A public testimony period will begin in September 2017.
- The Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing on October 24 at 5 p.m.

The PSC will consider public testimony and forward a recommendation to City Council for consideration and additional public review before City Council votes to adopt the Map Refinement Project next year.

Visit: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73388>

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Central City 2035 Plan

Recommended Draft released in June; City Council to hold public hearing on September 7, 2017.

The [CC2035 Recommended Draft](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73892) (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73892>) was released on June 20, 2017, opening a 12-week comment period. Community members are invited to review the plan and testify to City Council in writing (via

email, U.S. Mail or the Map App) or in person at a public hearing in Council Chamber, City Hall:

- Thursday, September 7 at 2 p.m.
- Thursday, September 14 at 2 p.m.

Check the project calendar (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/53116>) for any change to dates and times.

Visit: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/cc2035

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Residential Infill Project (RIP)

Project team drafting code and map concepts for Discussion Draft and public review in the fall

Since City Council's adoption of the Concept Report in December 2016, project staff have been developing code and map changes to implement the adopted concepts. Staff are also responding to mayoral direction to draft a housing opportunity overlay zone boundary for the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) to consider.

This fall the public will have an opportunity to review a Discussion Draft with proposed code changes and Zoning Map amendments. A seven-week public review and comment period for the Discussion Draft is scheduled to begin the week of September 25. More information about upcoming public review opportunities will be posted on the project website in coming weeks. A Proposed Draft and hearings before the PSC are planned for winter 2018.

Council-approved

concepts: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/623488>

Visit: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/infill

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Design Overlay Zone Amendments Project (DOZA)

Project moves from "assessment" to "amendments"

While the acronym has stayed the same, DOZA is transitioning from an assessment of design review to a series of projects which will amend the City's codes, standards and guidelines related to the design overlay zones, including the process and tools used in the design review process. Information on the proposed project phasing will be published on August 18, 2017. Check the DOZA website after that date for additional information.

Visit: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/70324

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SW Corridor Equitable Housing Strategy

Bringing more housing choices and opportunity to SW Portland and Tigard

The cities of Portland and Tigard have begun planning for housing in anticipation of future light rail investments in the SW Corridor and are partnering to create a SW Corridor Equitable Housing Strategy over the next year. An Equity and Housing Advisory Group of housing experts from the finance, philanthropic, nonprofit and private development sectors has begun meeting to help guide the project.

To assist with engagement of low-income tenants and households of color in this planning process, the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability awarded the Community Alliance of Tenants (CAT) a grant for \$45,000. CAT's Statement of Work can be found at: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/647458>.

A *Community Learning and Listening Session on Affordable Housing in the SW Corridor* will be held October 14, 2017, at Markham Elementary School (10531 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland, OR 97219) from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. The event will be an opportunity for community members to learn about affordable housing needs in the corridor and provide input to help preserve and build more places for people to live. Childcare and lunch will be provided. To RSVP for the event, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/ycwvr3h5>.

Visit: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73445

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Portland Off-Road Cycling Master Plan

Staff bringing Proposed Draft to PSC and Parks Board for review, then to City Council for adoption.

Project staff received thousands of comments from all over the city about possible locations for off-road walking and cycling facilities and bike parks citywide, including more than 2,000 comments about Forest Park alone. The project team is using these comments to help shape a draft plan that will be released later this summer.

BPS is working on this project in collaboration with Portland Parks & Recreation, the Bureau of Environmental Services, Portland Bureau of Transportation, the Portland Water Bureau and other local government and community partners.

Visit: <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/70151>

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Historic Preservation Code Improvement Project

Project will launch in September

The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability will soon launch a zoning code project that will make changes to how the City identifies, designates and protects historic resources. The Historic Preservation Code Improvement Project comes after a

2016 Oregon State Supreme Court decision and recently adopted changes to state administrative rules, both of which provide opportunities for the improving Portland's historic resource protection programs.

The Historic Preservation Code Improvement Project will research regional and national best practices, analyze deficiencies in Portland's existing programs, and propose zoning code changes related to the procedures, thresholds and incentives that apply to inventoried and designated historic resources.

Visit: Project website TBA

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Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) Agenda

View the upcoming PSC agenda items

here: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/312882>

All PSC meetings, unless otherwise noted, are temporarily being held at the CH2M building at 2020 SW 4th Avenue, Lincoln Room, 1st floor. All PSC meetings are streamed live on the BPS YouTube channel at youtube.com/c/portlandbps and tape delayed on Channel 30.

City Council Agenda

View upcoming City Council agenda items

here: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/auditor/article/378315>

All City Council meetings will be held in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Avenue. All Council meetings are broadcast live at: www.portlandoregon.gov/article/230361 <<http://www.portlandoregon.gov/article/230361>

Best regards,
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