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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION identifying proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments to be considered for possible adoption in 2022 and requesting that the Office of Planning and Community Development and the Seattle Planning Commission review and make recommendations about proposed amendments. WHEREAS, under the Washington State Growth Management Act, chapter 36.70A RCW, The City of Seattle (“City”) is required to have a comprehensive land use plan (“Comprehensive Plan”) and to review that plan on a regular schedule; and

WHEREAS, except in limited circumstances, the Growth Management Act allows the City to amend the Comprehensive Plan only once a year; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted a Comprehensive Plan through Ordinance 117221 in 1994, and most recently adopted amendments to its Comprehensive Plan in August 2020 through Ordinance 126186; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 31807 prescribes the procedures and criteria by which proposals for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are solicited from the public and selected for analysis and possible adoption, a process known as setting the Comprehensive Plan docket; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THAT:

Section 1. Comprehensive Plan docket of amendments to be considered in 2022. The City Council (“Council”) requests that the Office of Planning and Community Development (“OPCD”) analyze the following as possible amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and make a recommendation to the Mayor and City Council whether these proposed amendments warrant further consideration for possible adoption in 2022. The full texts of the proposals are contained in Clerk File 321977.

A. Application to remove the arterial classification from Florentia Street and West Florentia Street in the

Queen Anne neighborhood.

Section 2. Other amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. The Council requests that OPCD analyze the following amendments as part of the Comprehensive Plan docket and either provide a recommendation to the Mayor and City Council for consideration in 2022 alongside the amendments in Section 1 of this resolution, or provide an update on the status of each of these items and work program and timeline for completing the analysis:

A. South Park. Assess whether the South Park neighborhood meets the criteria for urban village designation and provide a report to Council as described in Resolutions 31870, 31896, and 31970.

B. N. 130th Street and I-5. Specific to the area surrounding the future light rail station at North 130th Street and Interstate 5, along with other City departments, complete community-based planning and provide a proposal to establish an urban village as described in Resolution 31970.

C. Fossil fuels and public health. In consultation with the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections, the Office of Sustainability and Environment, and the Environmental Justice Committee, draft, evaluate, undertake environmental review and provide recommendations for potential amendments to the Environment, Land Use, or Utilities elements of the Comprehensive Plan that would clarify the City's intent to protect the public health and meet its climate goals by limiting fossil fuel production and storage as described in Resolutions 31896 and 31970.

D. Maritime and Industrial Policies. Analyze and make recommendations for changes to the Comprehensive Plan to implement the recommendations of the Mayor's Maritime and Industrial Stakeholder Committee as described in the Industrial and Maritime Strategy Council Recommendations of June 2021.

E. Neighborhood connections across highways. Analyze and make recommendations for changes to the Comprehensive Plan to support the use of lids across highways to restore disconnected neighborhoods, expand neighborhoods, and open up hundreds of acres of buildable land for housing and parks, to create safer, healthier, and more vibrant neighborhoods.

Section 3. Other Comprehensive Plan amendments that may be considered in 2022. The Council may also consider the following amendments in 2022:

A. Impact fee amendments. Consistent with Resolutions 31762 and 31970, the Council intends to consider potential amendments to the Comprehensive Plan necessary to support implementation of an impact fee program for public streets, roads, and other transportation improvements. This impact fee work may include amendments to update or replace level-of-service standards or to add impact fee project lists in the Capital Facilities Element and amendments to other elements or maps in the Comprehensive Plan, as appropriate. The Council may also consider impact fee amendments related to publicly owned parks, open space, and recreation facilities, and school facilities.

Section 4. Request for review and recommendations. The Council requests that OPCD review the amendments described and listed in sections 1 and 2 of this resolution; conduct public and environmental reviews of the amendments listed in Sections 1 and 2; and present its analyses and the Mayor's recommendations to the Seattle Planning Commission and to the City Council on the schedule set by Resolution 31807 for review and consideration in 2022.

Section 5. Comprehensive Plan amendments that will not be considered in 2022. The Council rejects the following proposed amendments for docketing for the 2021-2022 timeframe, the full texts of which proposals are contained in Clerk File 321977.

A. Application to amend the Future Land Use Map ("FLUM") for the property addressed as 9201-9215 3rd Avenue S.

B. Application to amend the FLUM for the property addressed as 1511-1551 W Armory Way.

C. Application to amend the Land Use Element to clarify policies related to yards and trees.

D. Application to amend the Transportation Element to discourage pedestrian grade separations such as skybridges, aerial trams, or tunnels.

E. Application to add an Open and Democratic Government element or appendix.

F. Application to amend the Transportation Element to minimize damage streets from heavy vehicles.

Adopted by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2021, and signed by
me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day of _____, 2021.

President _____ of the City Council

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2021.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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