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1	WHEREAS, in May 2015, the Department of Planning and Development published a Growth
2	and Equity report that analyzed the effects of four growth distributions on the city's
3	marginalized populations; and
4	WHEREAS, in July 2015 the Department of Planning and Development published a Draft
5	Comprehensive Plan and provided four months for the public to review and comment;
6	and
7	WHEREAS, in April 2016 the Puget Sound Regional Council certified that the City's
8	Comprehensive Plan, as amended in 2015, is consistent with multicounty planning
9	policies and the regional transportation plan and conforms to Growth Management Act
10	requirements for transportation planning; and
11	WHEREAS, the Director's Report accompanying this ordinance shows the recommended
12	changes to goals and policies between the current Comprehensive Plan and the updated
13	Plan; and
14	WHEREAS, in April 2016 the Office of Planning and Community Development published a
15	Final Environmental Impact Statement that included analysis of five growth scenarios,
16	including a preferred alternative; and
17	WHEREAS, the Council has considered public testimony made at public hearings and other
18	pertinent materials regarding the proposed amendments; and
19	WHEREAS, the Council finds that the amendments to be adopted are consistent with the Growth
20	Management Act, and will promote the health, safety and welfare of the general public;
21	NOW, THEREFORE,
22	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

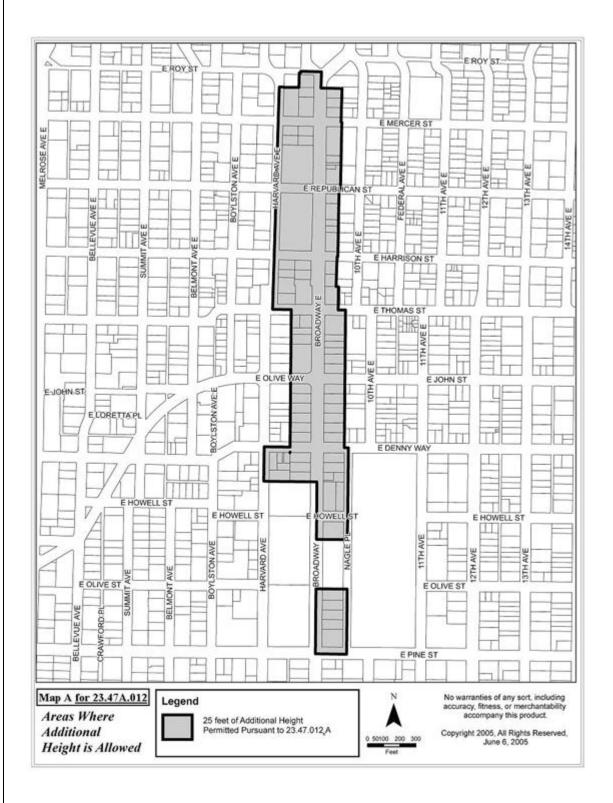
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1	Section 1. The Seattle Comprehensive Plan, last amended by Ordinance 124888, is
2	hereby repealed and replaced by Attachment 1 to this ordinance.
3	Section 2. Subsection 23.34.008.A of the Seattle Municipal Code, which section was last
4	amended by Ordinance 123770, is amended as follows:
5	23.34.008 General rezone criteria.
6	A. To be approved a rezone shall meet the following standards:
7	1. In urban centers and urban villages the zoned capacity for the center or village
8	taken as a whole shall be no less than ((one hundred twenty five percent ())125((%))) percent of
9	the growth ((targets)) estimates adopted in the Comprehensive Plan for that center or village.
10	2. For the area within the urban village boundary of hub urban villages and for
11	residential urban villages taken as a whole the zoned capacity shall not be less than the densities
12	established in the Urban Village Element of the Comprehensive Plan.
13	* * *
14	Section 3. Subsection 23.45.516.D of the Seattle Municipal Code, which section was last
15	amended by Ordinance 124952, is amended as follows:
16	23.45.516 Additional height and extra residential floor area in MR and HR zones
17	* * *
18	D. Transferable Development Potential (TDP) from Landmark structures and open space
19	1. Sending lots. TDP may be transferred under the provisions of Section
20	23.58A.040, as modified by this Section 23.45.516, only from Landmark TDP sites and open
21	space TDP sites. In order to be eligible as a Landmark TDP site or open space TDP site, a lot
22	shall be located in ((the)) First Hill ((Urban Center Village)) and shall be zoned MR or HR.
23	Sending lots are subject to the limits and conditions in this Chapter 23.45 and Chapter 23.58A.

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Map A for 23.47A.012

Areas Where Additional Height is Allowed



1 3. Within the Station Area Overlay District within the University ((District 2 Northwest)) Community Urban Center ((Village)), maximum structure height may be increased 3 to 125 feet when all of the following are met: 4 a. The lot is within two blocks of a planned or existing light rail station; 5 b. The proposed use of the lot is functionally related to other office 6 development, permitted prior to 1971, to have over 500,000 square feet of gross floor area to be 7 occupied by a single entity; 8 c. A transportation management plan for the life of the use includes 9 incentives for light rail and other transit use by the employees of the office use; 10 d. The development shall provide street-level amenities for pedestrians 11 and shall be designed to promote pedestrian interest, safety, and comfort through features such as 12 landscaping, lighting, and transparent facades, as determined by the Director; and 13 e. This subsection 23.47A.012.A.3 can be used only once for each 14 development that is functionally related. 15 4. On a lot containing a peat settlement-prone environmentally critical area, the 16 height of a structure may exceed the otherwise applicable height limit and the other height 17 allowances provided by this Section 23.47A.012 by up to 3 feet. In addition, 3 more feet of 18 height may be allowed for any wall of a structure on a sloped lot, provided that on the uphill 19 sides of the structure, the maximum elevation of the structure height shall be no greater than the 20 height allowed by the first sentence of subsection 23.47A.012.A.4. The Director may apply the 21 allowances in subsection 23.47A.012.A.4 only if the following conditions are met: 22 a. The Director finds that locating a story of parking underground is 23 infeasible due to physical site conditions such as a high water table;

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1	b. The Director finds that the additional height allowed for the structure is
2	necessary to accommodate parking located partially below grade that extends no more than 6 feet
3	above existing or finished grade and no more than 3 feet above the highest existing or finished
4	grade along the structure footprint, whichever is lower, as measured to the finished floor level
5	above; and
6	c. Other than the additional story of parking allowed according to
7	subsection 23.47A.012.A.4, the additional height allowed for the structure by subsection
8	23.47A.012.A.4 shall not allow an additional story beyond the number of stories that could be
9	built under the otherwise applicable height limit.
10	5. In zones that are located within the Pike/Pine Conservation Overlay District
11	with a mapped height limit of 65 feet, or with a mapped height limit of 40 feet with provisions
12	allowing for additional height up to 65 feet according to subsection 23.47A.012.A.2, the
13	provisions of Section 23.73.014 apply.
14	* * *
15	Section 5. Section 23.47A.013 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
16	124843, is amended as follows:
17	23.47A.013 Floor area ratio
18	A. Floor area ratio (FAR) limits apply to all structures and lots in all NC zones and C
19	zones.
20	1. All gross floor area not exempt under subsection 23.47A.013.D is counted
21	against the maximum gross floor area allowed by the permitted FAR.

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- 2. If there are multiple structures on a lot, the highest FAR limit applicable to any structure on the lot applies to the combined non-exempt gross floor area of all structures on the lot, subject to subsection 23.47A.013.A.4.
- 3. Except as provided in subsection 23.47A.013.D.7, parking that is within or covered by a structure or portion of a structure and that is within a story that is not underground shall be included in gross floor area calculations.
- 4. If a lot is in more than one zone, the FAR limit for each zone applies to the portion of the lot located in that zone, and the floor area on the portion of the lot with the lower FAR limit may not exceed the amount that would be permitted if it were a separate lot. If a lot is in both a multifamily zone and a commercial zone, the floor area on the commercial portion of the lot may not exceed the maximum that would be allowed if the commercial portion of the lot were a separate lot.
- B. Except as provided in subsections 23.47A.013.C, 23.47A.013.D, 23.47A.013.E, 23.47A.013.F, and 23.47A.013.G, maximum FAR allowed in C zones and NC zones is shown in Table A for 23.47A.013, provided that if the commercial zone designation includes an incentive zoning suffix, then the applicant shall comply with Chapter 23.58A, Incentive Provisions, to obtain gross floor area exceeding that allowed by the FAR shown in the suffix designation.

Table A for 23.47A.013((÷))
Maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAI

Maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) outside of the Station Area Overlay District

	Heig feet)	Height ((Limit)) <u>limit</u> (in feet)				
	30	40	65	85	125	160
	Max	imum	FAR			
1. Total FAR permitted on a lot that is solely occupied by residential use or non-residential use.	2.25	3	4.25	4.5	5	5
2. Total permitted for any single use within a mixed-use structure.	n/a	n/a	4.25	4.5	5	5
3. Total FAR permitted for all uses on a lot that is occupied by a mix of uses, provided that the FAR limit for either all residential uses or the FAR limit for all non-residential uses shall not exceed the FAR limit established in Row 1.	2.5	3.25	4.75	6	6	7

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2 C. Maximum FAR allowed in NC zones or C zones within the Station Area Overlay

District is shown in Table B for 23.47A.013 provided that, if the commercial zone designation

includes an incentive zoning suffix, then the applicant shall comply with Chapter 23.58A,

Incentive Provisions, to obtain gross floor exceeding that allowed by the FAR shown in the

6 suffix designation.

Table B for 23.47A.013((÷))

Maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) in the Station Area Overlay District

	Height ((Limit)) limit (in feet)					
	30((-'))	40((<u>'</u>))	65((<u>'</u>))	85((<u>'</u>))	125((-'))	160((<u></u> '))
Maximum FAR	3	4	5.75	6	6	7

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D. The following gross floor area is not counted toward maximum FAR:

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1. All underground stories or portions of stories;

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2. All portions of a story that extend no more than 4 feet above existing or

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11 finished grade, whichever is lower, excluding access;

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1	3. Gross floor area of a transit station, including all floor area open to the general
2	public during normal hours of station operation but excluding retail or service establishments to
3	which public access is limited to customers or clients, even where such establishments are
4	primarily intended to serve transit riders;
5	4. Within the South Lake Union Urban Center, gross floor area occupied by
6	mechanical equipment located on the roof of a structure;
7	5. Within the South Lake Union Urban Center, mechanical equipment that is
8	accessory to a research and development laboratory, up to 15 percent of the gross floor area of a
9	structure. The allowance is calculated on the gross floor area of the structure after all space
10	exempt under this subsection 23.47A.013.D is deducted; ((and))
11	6. Within ((the)) First Hill ((Urban Center Village)), on lots zoned NC3, with a
12	160 foot height limit, all gross floor area occupied by a residential use ((-));
13	7. On a lot containing a peat settlement-prone environmentally critical area,
14	above-grade parking within or covered by a structure or portion of a structure if the Director
15	finds that locating a story of parking below grade is infeasible due to physical site conditions
16	such as a high water table, if either:
17	a. the above-grade parking extends no more than 6 feet above existing or
18	finished grade and no more than 3 feet above the highest existing or finished grade along the
19	structure footprint, whichever is lower, as measured to the finished floor level or roof above,
20	pursuant to subsection 23.47A.012.A.5; or
21	b. all of the following conditions are met:
22	1) ((no)) No above-grade parking is exempted by subsection

23.47A.013.D.7.a;

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1	2) ((the)) The parking is accessory to a residential use on the lot;
2	3) ((total)) Total parking on the lot does not exceed one space for
3	each residential dwelling unit plus the number of spaces required for non-residential uses; and
4	4) ((the)) The amount of gross floor area exempted by this
5	subsection 23.47A.013.D.7.b does not exceed 25 percent of the area of the lot in zones with a
6	height limit less than 65 feet, or 50 percent of the area of the lot in zones with a height limit 65
7	feet or greater ((-)) ; and
8	8. Rooftop greenhouse areas meeting the standards of subsection 23.47A.012.C.6
9	and <u>23.47A.012.</u> C.7.
10	E. Within the Station Area Overlay District within the University ((District Northwest))
11	Community Urban Center ((Village)), for office structures permitted prior to 1971, the area of
12	the lot for purposes of calculating permitted FAR is the tax parcel created prior to the adoption of
13	Ordinance 121846 on which the existing structure is located, provided the office structure is to
14	be part of a functionally related development occupied by a single entity with over 500,000
15	square feet of area in office use. The floor area of above grade pedestrian access is exempt from
16	the FAR calculations of this subsection <u>23.47A.013.E</u> , and the maximum permitted FAR is 8.
17	F. Within the West Seattle Junction Hub Urban Village, on lots zoned NC3 85(4.75), the
18	total permitted FAR for all uses within a mixed use structure containing residential and non-
19	residential uses is 5.5.
20	G. Within the portion of the Greenwood Residential Urban Village on lots zoned NC2 40
21	that are located abutting NW 85 th Street between 1 st Avenue NW and 3 rd Avenue NW, the total
22	permitted FAR within a mixed use structure containing residential and non-residential uses is 4.
23	H. Minimum FAR

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1	23.47A.013.H.1 for lots that contain a designated ((landmark)) Landmark, or for lots within a
2	Landmark District pursuant to Title 25 or within a Special Review District pursuant to Chapter
3	23.66, if the Director determines a waiver is necessary to preserve the integrity of a ((landmark))
4	<u>Landmark</u> or meet adopted District design and development guidelines.
5	5. The Director may waive the minimum FAR requirement provided in subsection
6	23.47A.013.H.1 for lots within the Pike/Pine Conservation Overlay District pursuant to Chapter
7	23.32, if the Director determines that the proposed development promotes neighborhood
8	conservation objectives.
9	6. The following gross floor area is not counted toward the minimum FAR
10	requirement provided in subsection 23.47A.013.H.1:
11	a. Gross floor area below grade; and
12	b. Gross floor area containing parking.
13	7. In zones with an incentive zoning suffix, the minimum FAR requirement is the
14	FAR indicated by the incentive zoning suffix if that FAR is less than the FAR required by
15	subsection 23.47A.013.H.1.
16	Section 6. Section 23.49.056 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance
17	124680, is amended as follows:
18	23.49.056 Downtown Office Core 1 (DOC1), Downtown Office Core 2 (DOC2), and
19	Downtown Mixed Commercial (DMC) street facade, landscaping, and street setback
20	requirements
21	Standards are established in this Section 23.49.056 for DOC1, DOC2, and DMC zones, for the
22	following elements:
23	((minimum)) Minimum facade heights,

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1	((setback)) <u>Setback</u> limits,
2	((facade)) Facade transparency,
3	((blank)) Blank facade limits,
4	((street)) Street trees, and
5	((setback)) Setback and landscaping requirements in the Denny Triangle ((Urban Center
6	Village)).
7	These standards apply to each lot line that abuts a street designated on Map 1F or another map
8	identified in a note to Map 1F as having a pedestrian classification, except lot lines of open space
9	TDR sites, and apply along other lot lines and to circumstances as expressly stated in this Section
10	23.49.056. The standards for each street frontage shall vary according to the pedestrian
11	classification of the street on Map 1F or another map identified in a note to Map 1F and to
12	whether property line facades are required by Map 1H. Standards for street landscaping and
13	setback requirements in subsection 23.49.056.F also apply along lot lines abutting streets in the
14	Denny Triangle ((Urban Center Village)), as shown on Map A for 23.49.056.
15	Map A for 23.49.056: Denny Triangle ((Urban Center Village))
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Map A for 23.49.056 Denny Triangle



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A. Minimum facade height

- 1. Minimum facade height(s) are prescribed in Table A for 23.49.056 and Exhibit
- 3 A for 23.49.056, but minimum facade heights do not apply if all portions of the structure are
- 4 lower than the elevation of the required minimum facade height.
- 5 ((Table A for 23.49.056
- 6 **Minimum Façade Height**))

Table A for 23.49.056 Minimum Facade Height				
Street classification	Minimum facade height* within designated zone			
Streets requiring property line facades	DOC1, DOC2, DMC: 35 feet			
Class I pedestrian streets	DOC 1, DOC 2: 35 feet DMC: 25 feet			
Class II pedestrian streets	DOC 1, DOC 2: 25 feet DMC: 15 feet			
Designated green streets	DOC1, DOC2, DMC: 25 feet			
Footnote to Table A for 23.49.056 *Except as provided in subsection 23.49.056.A.2 regarding view corridor requirements.				

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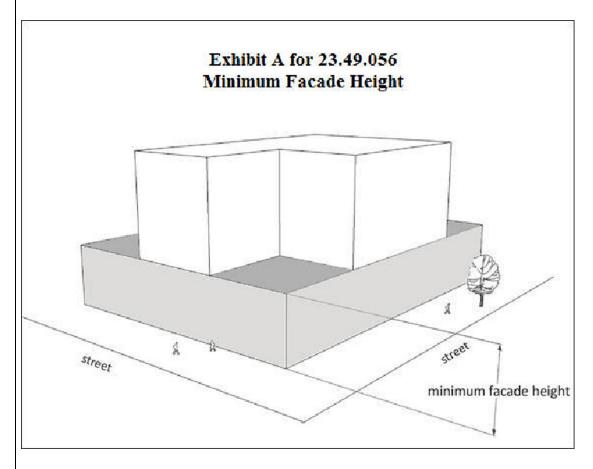
2. On designated view corridors specified in Section 23.49.024, the minimum

facade height is the maximum height permitted in the required setback, if it is less than the

minimum facade height required in subsection 23.49.056.A.1.

1 Exhibit A for 23.49.056

Minimum Facade Height



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B. Facade setback limits

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1. Setback limits for property line facades. The following setback limits apply to

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all streets designated on Map 1H as requiring property line facades, except as specified in

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a. The facades of structures 15 feet or less in height shall be located within

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2 feet of the street lot line.

subsection 23.49.056.B.1.d.

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b. Structures greater than 15 feet in height are governed by the following

11 criteria:

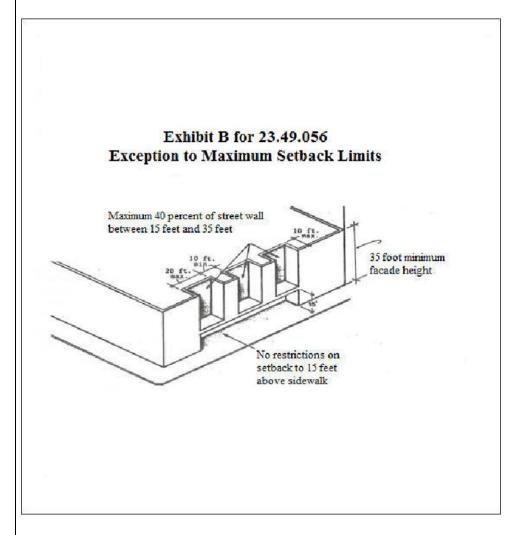
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1	1) No setback limits apply up to an elevation of 15 feet above
2	sidewalk grade.
3	2) Between the elevations of 15 and 35 feet above sidewalk grade,
4	the facade shall be located within 2 feet of the street lot line, except that:
5	a) Any exterior public open space that satisfies the
6	Downtown Amenity Standards, whether it receives a bonus or not, and any outdoor common
7	recreation area required for residential uses, is not considered part of the setback.
8	b) Setbacks between the elevations of 15 and 35 feet above
9	sidewalk grade at the street lot line are permitted according to the following standards, as
10	depicted in Exhibit B for 23.49.056:
11	i. The maximum setback is 10 feet.
12	ii. The total area of a facade that is set back more
13	than 2 feet from the street lot line shall not exceed 40 percent of the total facade area between the
14	elevations of 15 and 35 feet.
15	iii. No setback deeper than 2 feet shall be wider
16	than 20 feet, measured parallel to the street lot line.
17	iv. The facade of the structure shall return to within
18	2 feet of the street lot line between each setback area for a minimum of 10 feet. Balcony railings
19	and other nonstructural features or walls are not considered the facade of the structure.
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Exhibit B for 23.49.056

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Exception to Maximum Setback Limits



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c. If sidewalk widening is required by Section 23.49.022, setback standards shall be measured to the line established by the new sidewalk width rather than the

d. In the DMC 160 zone, on lots that abut Alaskan Way, as an alternative to the standards for required property line facades in subsections 23.49.056.B.1.a, 23.49.056.B.1.b, and 23.49.056.B.1.c, a continuous setback of up to 16 feet from the lot line abutting Alaskan Way is allowed for the street-facing facade. If the alternative setback allowed by this subsection 23.49.056.B.1.d is provided, the setback area shall be used for outdoor uses

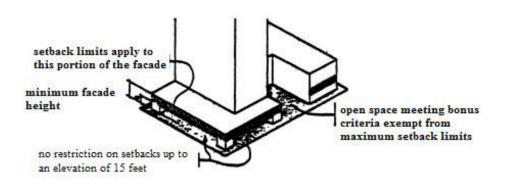
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1	related to abutting street-level uses, for landscaped open space, for a partially above-grade story
2	that meets the conditions of subsection 23.49.011.B.1.u, or to widen the abutting sidewalk for
3	pedestrian use.
4	2. General ((Setback Limits)) setback limits. The following setback limits apply
5	on streets not requiring property line facades, as shown on Map 1H:
6	a. The portion of a structure subject to setback limits shall vary according
7	to the structure height and required minimum facade height, as follows:
8	1) Except as provided in subsection 23.49.056.B.2.a.3, if the
9	structure is greater than 15 feet in height, the setback limits apply to the facade between an
10	elevation of 15 feet above sidewalk grade and the minimum facade height established in
11	subsection 23.49.056.A and illustrated in Exhibit C for 23.49.056.
12	2) If the entire structure is 15 feet or less in height, the setback
13	limits apply to the entire street-facing facade.
14	3) If the minimum facade height is 15 feet, the setback limits apply
15	to the portion of the street-facing facade that is 15 feet or less in height.
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1 **Exhibit C for 23.49.056**

Application of Maximum Setback Limits

Exhibit C for 23.49.056 Application of Maximum Setback Limits



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b. The maximum area of all setbacks between the street lot line and facade

along each street frontage of a lot shall not exceed the area derived by multiplying the averaging

factor by the width of the street frontage of the structure along that street (see Exhibit D for

23.49.056). The averaging factor is five on Class I pedestrian streets and ten on Class II

pedestrian streets and designated green streets.

c. The maximum width, measured along the street lot line, of any setback

area exceeding a depth of 15 feet from the street lot line shall not exceed 80 feet, or 30 percent of

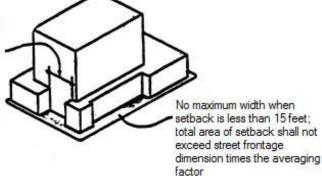
the lot frontage on that street, whichever is less. (See Exhibit D for 23.49.056.)

1 **Exhibit D for 23.49.056**

2 **Maximum Width of Setback**

Exhibit D of 23.49.056 Maximum Width of Setback





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d. The maximum setback of the facade from the street lot lines at

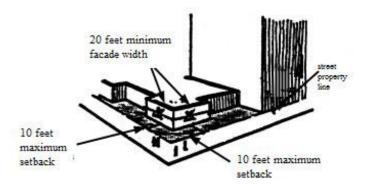
intersections is 10 feet. The minimum distance the facade must conform to this limit is 20 feet

along each street. (See Exhibit E for 23.49.056.)

Exhibit E for 23.49.056

Maximum Setback at Intersections

Exhibit E for 23.49.056 Maximum Setback at Intersections



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e. Any exterior public open space that meets the Downtown Amenity

Standards, whether it receives a bonus or not, and any outdoor common recreation area required for residential uses, is not considered part of a setback. (See Exhibit C for 23.49.056.)

f. If a sidewalk is widened into the lot as a condition to development, setback standards shall be measured to the line established by the new sidewalk width rather than

C. Facade ((Transparency Requirements.)) transparency requirements

1. Facade transparency requirements apply to the area of the facade between 2 feet and 8 feet above the sidewalk, except that if the slope along the street frontage of the facade exceeds 7.5 percent, the transparency requirements apply to the area of the facade between 4 feet and 8 feet above sidewalk grade. Only clear or lightly tinted glass in windows, doors, and display windows is considered to be transparent. Transparent areas shall allow views into the structure or into display windows from the outside.

the street lot line.

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1	2. Facade transparency requirements do not apply to portions of structures in
2	residential use.
3	3. If the transparency requirements of this subsection 23.49.056.C are inconsistent
4	with the glazing limits in the Energy Code, this subsection 23.49.056.C applies to the extent
5	permitted by applicable law.
6	4. Transparency requirements are as follows:
7	a. Class I pedestrian streets and designated green streets: A minimum of
8	60 percent of the street_level, street-facing facade shall be transparent.
9	b. Class II pedestrian streets: A minimum of 30 percent of the street_level,
10	street-facing facade shall be transparent.
11	c. Where the slope along the street frontage of the facade exceeds 7.5
12	percent, the required amount of transparency shall be reduced to 50 percent on Class I pedestrian
13	streets and designated green streets and 25 percent on Class II pedestrian streets.
14	D. Blank ((Facade Limits.)) <u>facade limits</u>
15	1. General ((Provisions.)) <u>provisions</u>
16	a. Blank facade limits apply to the area of the facade between 2 feet and 8
17	feet above the sidewalk, except that where the slope along the street frontage of the facade
18	exceeds 7.5 percent, blank facade limits apply to the area of the facade between 4 feet and 8 feet
19	above sidewalk grade.
20	b. Any portion of a facade that is not transparent shall be considered to be
21	a blank facade.
22	c. Blank facade limits do not apply to portions of structures in residential
23	use.

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1	2. Blank ((Facade Limits)) facade limits for Class I ((Pedestrian Streets))
2	pedestrian streets and ((Designated Green Streets.)) designated green streets
3	a. Blank facades shall be no more than 15 feet wide except segments with
4	garage doors may exceed a width of 15 feet and may be as wide as the driveway plus 5 feet.
5	Blank facade segment width may be increased to 30 feet if the Director in a Type I decision
6	determines that the facade segment is enhanced by features with visual interest such as
7	architectural detailing, artwork, landscaping, or similar features.
8	b. Any blank segments of the facade shall be separated by transparent
9	areas at least 2 feet wide.
10	c. The total width of all blank facade segments, including garage doors,
11	shall not exceed 40 percent of the street-facing facade of the structure on each street frontage, or
12	50 percent if the slope of the street frontage of the facade exceeds 7.5 percent.
13	3. Blank ((Facade Limits)) <u>facade limits</u> for Class II ((Pedestrian Streets.))
14	<u>pedestrian streets</u>
15	a. Blank ((façade)) facade segments shall be no more than 30 feet wide,
16	except for garage doors, which may exceed 30 feet. Blank facade segment width may be
17	increased to 60 feet if the Director in a Type I decision determines that the facade segment is
18	enhanced by architectural detailing, artwork, landscaping, or similar features that have visual
19	interest. The width of garage doors shall be limited to the width of the driveway plus 5 feet.
20	b. Any blank segments of the facade shall be separated by transparent
21	areas at least 2 feet wide.

c. The total of all blank facade segments, including garage doors, shall not exceed 70 percent of the street facade of the structure on each street frontage; or 75 percent if the slope of the street frontage of the facade exceeds 7.5 percent.

E. Street ((Tree Requirements)) tree requirements. Street trees are required on all streets that have a pedestrian classification and abut a lot. If areaways are located beneath the sidewalk, the street trees shall be planted in below-grade containers with provisions for watering the trees.

Street trees shall be planted according to street tree planting standards in the Right-of-Way Improvements Manual.

F. Setback and landscaping requirements for lots located within the Denny Triangle ((Urban Center Village))

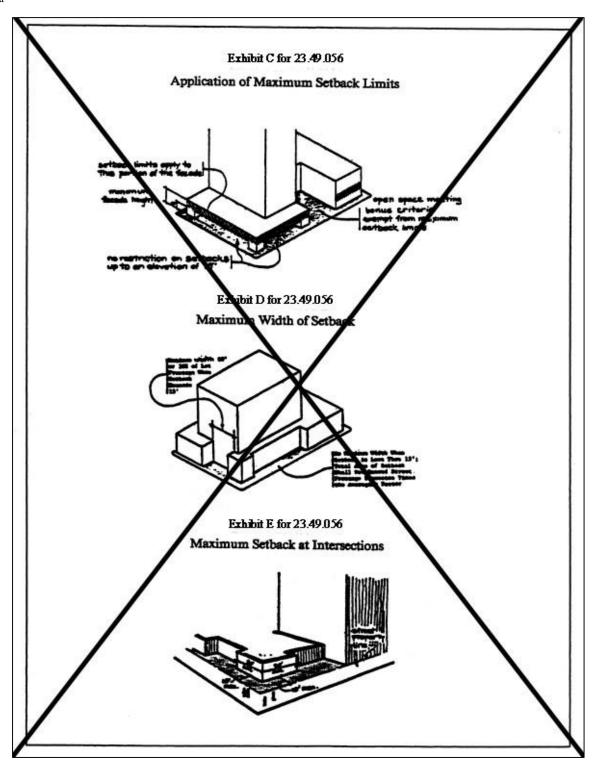
1. Landscaping in the street right-of-way for all streets other than those with green street plans approved by Director's Rule. All new development in DMC zones in the Denny Triangle ((Urban Center Village)), as shown on Map A for 23.49.056, shall provide landscaping in the sidewalk area of the street right-of-way, except on streets with a green street plan approved by Director's Rule. The square footage of landscaped area provided shall be at least 1.5 times the length of the street lot line (in linear feet). The following standards apply to the required landscaped area:

a. The landscaped area shall be at least 18 inches wide and shall be located in the public right-of-way along the entire length of the street lot line, except for building entrances, vehicular access or other connections between the sidewalk and the lot, provided that the exceptions may not exceed 50 percent of the total length of the street lot line(s).

- b. As an alternative to locating the landscaping at the street lot line, all or a portion of the required landscaped area may be provided in the sidewalk area within 5 feet of the curb line.
- c. Landscaping provided within 5 feet of the curb line shall be located and designed in relation to the required street tree planting and be compatible with use of the curb lane for parking and loading.
- d. All plant material shall be planted directly in the ground or in permanently installed planters if planting in the ground is not feasible. A minimum of 50 percent of the plant material shall be perennial.
- 2. Landscaping on a designated green street. If required landscaping is on a designated green street with a green street plan approved by Director's Rule, the planting shall be consistent with designs identified in that green street plan.

3. Landscaping in setbacks

- a. In the Denny Triangle ((Urban Center Village)), as shown on Map A for 23.49.056, at least 20 percent of the total square footage of all areas abutting the street lot line that are not covered by a structure, have a depth of 10 feet or more from the street lot line and are larger than 300 square feet, shall be landscaped. Any area under canopies or marquees is considered uncovered. Any setback provided to meet the minimum sidewalk widths established by Section 23.49.022 is exempt from the calculation of the area to be landscaped.
- b. All plant material shall be planted directly in the ground or in permanently installed planters if planting in the ground is not feasible. A minimum of 50 percent of the plant material shall be perennial and shall include trees if a contiguous area, all or a portion of which is landscaped pursuant to subsection 23.49.056.F.1.a, exceeds 600 square feet.



((<u>Exhibits C, D, and E for 23.49.056</u>))

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2	Section 7. Subsection 23.49.058.F of the Seattle Municipal Code, which section was last
3	amended by 124680, is amended as follows:
4	23.49.058 Downtown Office Core 1 (DOC1), Downtown Office Core 2 (DOC2), and
5	Downtown Mixed Commercial (DMC) upper-level development standards
6	* * *
7	F. Tower spacing for all structures over 160 feet in height in those DMC zoned areas
8	specified below:
9	1. For the purposes of this Section 23.49.058, no separation is required:
10	a. between structures on different blocks, except as may be required by
11	view corridor or designated green street setbacks ((5)); or
12	b. from a structure on the same block that is not located in a DMC zone; or
13	c. from a structure allowed pursuant to the Land Use Code in effect prior
14	to May 12, 2006; or
15	d. from a structure on the same block that is 160 feet in height or less,
16	excluding rooftop features permitted above the applicable height limit for the zone pursuant to
17	Section 23.49.008; or
18	e. from a structure in a DMC 160 zone that gains additional height through
19	subsection 23.49.008.E.
20	2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection 23.49.058.F, in the DMC
21	240/290-400 zone located between Stewart Street, Union Street, Third Avenue, and First
22	Avenue, if any part of a tower exceeds 160 feet in height, then all portions of the tower that are
23	above 125 feet in height shall be separated from any other existing tower that is above 160 feet in

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height, and the minimum separation required between towers from all points above the height of leach tower is 200 feet.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection 23.49.058.F₃ in the DMC zone with a mapped height limit of more than 160 feet located either in ((the)) Belltown ((Urban Center Village)), as shown on Map A for 23.49.058, or south of Union Street, if any part of a tower exceeds 160 feet in height, then all portions of the tower that are above 125 feet in height must be separated from any other existing tower that is above 160 feet in height, and the minimum separation required between towers from all points above the height of 125 feet in each tower is 80 feet.

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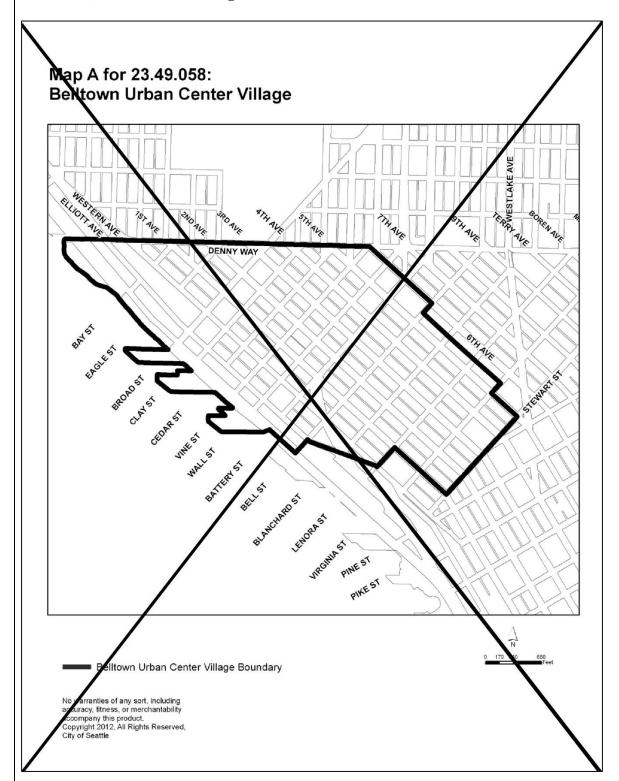
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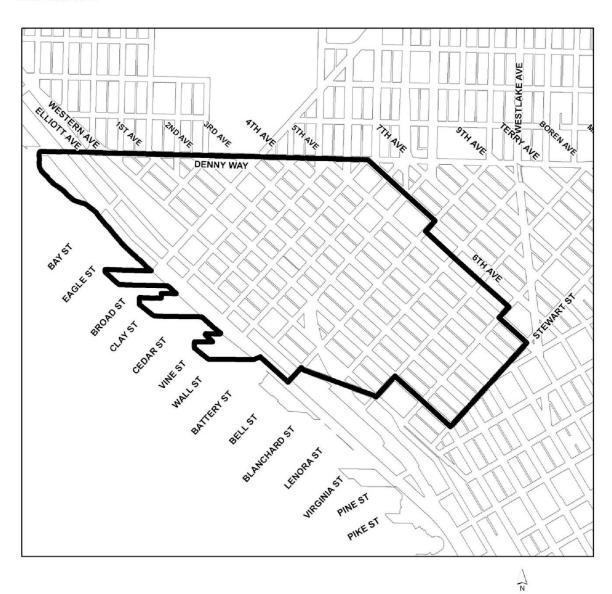
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1 Map A for $23.49.058((\div))$

2 Belltown ((Urban Center Village))



Map A for 23.49.058 Belltown



Belltown Boundary

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towers from all points above the height of 125 feet in each tower is 60 feet.

- 5. The projection of unenclosed decks and balconies, and architectural features such as cornices, shall be disregarded in calculating tower separation.
- 6. If the presence of an existing tower would preclude the addition of another tower proposed on the same block, as a special exception, the Director may waive or modify the tower spacing requirements of this Section 23.49.058 to allow a maximum of two towers to be located on the same block that are not separated by at least the minimum spacing required in subsections 23.49.058.F.2, 23.49.058.F.3, and 23.49.058.F.4, other than towers described in subsection 23.49.058.F.1. The Director shall determine that issues raised in the design review process related to the presence of the additional tower have been adequately addressed before granting any exceptions to tower spacing standards. The Director shall consider the following factors in determining whether such an exception shall be granted:
- a. ((potential)) Potential impact of the additional tower on adjacent residential structures, located within the same block and on adjacent blocks, in terms of views, privacy, and shadows;
- b. ((potential)) <u>Potential</u> public benefits that offset the impact of the reduction in required separation between towers, including the provision of public open space, designated green street or other streetscape improvements, preservation of landmark structures,

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1	and provision of neighborhood commercial services, such as a grocery store, or community			
2	services, such as a community center or school;			
3	c. ((potential)) Potential impact on the public environment, including			
4	shadow and view impacts on nearby streets and public open spaces;			
5	d. ((design)) <u>Design</u> characteristics of the additional tower in terms of			
6	overall bulk and massing, facade treatments and transparency, visual interest, and other features			
7	that may offset impacts related to the reduction in required separation between towers;			
8	e. ((the)) <u>The</u> City's goal of encouraging residential development			
9	downtown; and			
10	f. ((the)) <u>The</u> feasibility of developing the site without an exception from			
11	the tower spacing requirement.			
12	7. For purposes of this Section 23.49.058, an "existing" tower is either:			
13	a. a tower that is physically present, except as provided below in this			
14	subsection 23.49.058.F.7((,)); or			
15	b. a proposed tower for which a Master Use Permit decision that includes			
16	approval of the Design Review element has been issued, unless and until either			
17	$(\frac{((i))}{1})$ the Master Use Permit issued pursuant to such decision			
18	expires or is cancelled, or the related application is withdrawn by the applicant, without the			
19	tower having been constructed; or			
20	(((ii))) 2) a ruling by a hearing examiner or court of competent			
21	jurisdiction reversing or vacating such decision, or determining such decision or the Master Use			
22	Permit issued thereunder to be invalid, becomes final and no longer subject to judicial review.			

A tower that is physically present shall not be considered "existing" if the owner of the lot where such tower is located shall have applied to the Director for a permit to demolish such tower and such application shall be pending or a permit issued for such demolition shall be in effect, but any permit decision or permit for any structure that would not be permitted under this subsection 23.49.058.F.7 if such tower were considered "existing" may be conditioned upon the actual demolition of such tower.

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Section 8. Section 23.51A.004 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 124610, is amended as follows:

23.51A.004 Public facilities in multifamily zones

A. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 23.51A.004.D, uses in public facilities that are most similar to uses permitted outright or permitted as an administrative conditional use under the applicable zoning are also permitted outright or as an administrative conditional use, subject to the same use regulations, development standards, and administrative conditional use criteria that govern the similar use.

- B. The following uses in public facilities are permitted outright in all multifamily zones if the development standards for institutions in Section 23.45.570, other than dispersion requirements, are met, except as otherwise provided in subsection 23.51A.004.B.6:
 - 1. Police precinct stations;
 - 2. Fire stations;
 - 3. Public boat moorages;
- 4. Utility service uses;
 - 5. Other uses similar to any of the uses listed in this subsection 23.51A.004.B; and

1	6. Youth service centers existing as of January 1, 2013, in public facilities			
2	operated by King County in an LR3 zone within an Urban Center ((Village)) and replacement,			
3	additions or expansions to such King County public facilities. For youth service centers, the			
4	development standards for institutions in Section 23.45.570 apply, and subsections 23.45.570.D			
5	and 23.45.570.F relating to structure width and setbacks may be waived or modified by the			
6	Director as a Type II decision. The Director's decision to waive or modify standards shall be			
7	based on a finding that the waiver or modification is needed to accommodate unique			
8	programming, public service delivery, or structural needs of the facility and that the following			
9	urban design objectives are met. The Director's decision shall include conditions to mitigate all			
10	substantial impacts caused by such a waiver or modification.			
11	a. Objective 1: Create visual interest along and activate each street			
12	frontage. Examples for achieving this objective include, but are not limited to, the following:			
13	1) Incorporate prominent entrances and other features that			
14	welcome pedestrians;			
15	2) Add visual interest using architectural detailing of the facade,			
16	transparency, decorative materials, or design features; and			
17	3) Use signage consistent with the Sign Code, Chapter 23.55, that			
18	helps orient pedestrians and adds interest to the street environment.			
19	b. Objective 2: Create a continuous pedestrian environment along each			
20	frontage of the development in LR3. Examples for achieving this objective include, but are not			
21	limited to, the following:			
22	Incorporate shade and rain protection, such as awnings, building			
23	overhangs, benches, freestanding pavilions, or kiosks;			

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- 2. The impact of the public facility on surrounding properties has been addressed in the design, siting, landscaping, and screening of the facility.
 - D. The following public facilities are prohibited in all multifamily zones:
- 1. Jails, except for youth service centers existing as of January 1, 2013, in public facilities operated by King County within an Urban Center ((Village));
 - 2. Work-release centers;
 - 3. Bus bases;
 - 4. Park and ride lots;
 - 5. Sewage treatment plants;
 - 6. Animal control shelters; and
 - 7. Post office distribution centers.
 - E. Expansion of uses in public facilities
- 1. Major expansion. Major expansion of public facilities that are permitted by subsection 23.51A.004.C may be approved by the City Council, with public projects considered as Type IV quasi-judicial decisions and City facilities considered as Type V land use decisions, subject to the criteria of subsections 23.51A.004.C.1 and 23.51A.004.C.2. A major expansion of a public facility occurs if an expansion would not meet development standards or, except for expansion of the Washington State Convention and Trade Center, the area of the expansion would exceed either 750 square feet or 10 percent of the existing area of the use, whichever is greater. A major expansion of the Washington State Convention and Trade Center is one that is 12,000 square feet or more in size. For the purposes of this subsection 23.51A.004.E.1, "area of the use" includes gross floor area and outdoor area devoted actively to that use, excluding parking.

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1	2. Minor expansion. An expansion of a public facility that is not a major			
2	expansion is a minor expansion. Minor expansions to uses in public facilities that are permitted			
3	by subsections 23.51A.004.A, 23.51A.004.B, or 23.51A.004.C are permitted outright.			
4	F. Essential public facilities will be reviewed according to the provisions of Chapter			
5	23.80, Essential Public Facilities.			
6	G. Uses in existing or former public schools			
7	1. Child-care centers, preschools, public or private schools, educational and			
8	vocational training for the disabled, adult evening education classes, nonprofit libraries,			
9	community centers, community programs for the elderly, and similar uses are permitted in			
10	existing or former public schools.			
11	2. Other non-school uses are permitted in existing or former public schools			
12	pursuant to procedures established in Chapter 23.78, Establishment of Criteria for Joint Use or			
13	Reuse of Schools.			
14	Section 9. Subsection 23.58A.040.A of the Seattle Municipal Code, which section was			
15	last amended by Ordinance 124513, is amended as follows:			
16	23.58A.040 Bonus floor area for open space amenities			
17	A. Findings. The City Council finds that:			
18	1. Amenities, including public open space, are an important aspect of livability in			
19	areas targeted in the Comprehensive Plan for concentrated housing and employment growth.			
20	((To address this need, the Comprehensive Plan establishes goals for the amount and distribution			
21	of open space. These goals are consistent with national standards developed to assist			
22	communities with planning to provide adequate open space serving specified population needs.)			

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1	2. Developments that add density will increase demand for public open space. If			
2	additional public open space is voluntarily provided to offset additional demand, the impacts on			
3	available open space resources will be mitigated.			
4	3. Within Highrise zones, the average amount of public open space, including			
5	breathing room open space, needed to accommodate residential development is at least 0.14			
6	square feet of open space per gross square foot of residential floor area in a development.			
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8	Section 10. Subsection 23.69.030.E of the Seattle Municipal Code, which section was last			
9	amended by Ordinance 123649, is amended as follows:			
10	23.69.030 Contents of a master plan			
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12	E. The development program component shall include the following:			
13	1. A description of alternative proposals for physical development including an			
14	explanation of the reasons for considering each alternative, but only if an Environmental Impact			
15	Statement is not prepared for the master plan; and			
16	2. Density as defined by total maximum developable gross floor area for the MIO			
17	District and an overall floor area ratio (FAR) for the MIO District. Limits on total gross floor			
18	area and ((floor area ratios)) FARs may also be required for sub-areas within the MIO District			
19	but only when an MIO District is over 400 acres in size or when an MIO District has distinct			
20	geographical areas; and			
21	3. The maximum number of parking spaces allowed for the MIO District; and			
22	4. A description of existing and planned future physical development on a site			
23	plan that shall contain:			

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1	a. The height, description, gross floor area, and location of existing and			
2	planned physical development, and			
3	b. The location of existing open space landscaping and screening, and			
4	areas of the MIO District to be designated open space. Designated open space shall be open			
5	space within the MIO District that is significant and serves as a focal point for users of the Major			
6	Institution. Changes to the size or location of designated open space requires an amendment			
7	pursuant to Section 23.69.035, and			
8	c. Existing public and private street layout, and			
9	d. Existing and planned parking areas and structures; and			
10	5. A site plan showing: property lines and ownership of all properties within the			
11	applicable MIO District, or areas proposed to be included in an expanded MIO District, and all			
12	structures and properties a Major Institution is leasing or using or owns within 2,500 feet of the			
13	MIO District; and			
14	6. Three-dimensional drawings to illustrate the height, bulk, and form of existing			
15	and planned physical development. Information on architectural detailing such as window			
16	placement and color and finish materials is not required; and			
17	7. A site plan showing any planned infrastructure improvements and the timing of			
18	those improvements; and			
19	8. A description of planned development phases and plans, including development			
20	priorities, the probable sequence for such planned development and estimated dates of			
21	construction and occupancy; and			
22	9. A description of any planned street or alley vacations or the abandonment of			
23	existing rights-of-way; and			
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1	10. At the option of the Major Institution, a description of potential uses,
2	development, parking areas and structures, infrastructure improvements or street or alley
3	vacations. Information about potential projects is for the purpose of starting a dialogue with the
4	City and the community about potential development, and changes to this information will not
5	require an amendment to the master plan; and
6	11. An analysis of the proposed master plan's consistency with the purpose and
7	intent of this ((chapter)) Chapter 23.69 as described in Section 23.69.002; and
8	12. A discussion of the Major Institution's facility decentralization plans and/or
9	options, including leasing space or otherwise locating uses off-campus; and
10	13. A description of the following shall be provided for informational purposes
11	only. The Advisory Committee, pursuant to Section 23.69.032.D.1, may comment on the
12	following but may not subject these elements to negotiation nor shall such review delay
13	consideration of the master plan or the final recommendation to Council:
14	a. A description of the ways in which the institution will address goals and
15	applicable policies under ((Education and Employability and Health)) Healthy Growth, Aging,
16	and Lifestyles and Lifelong Learning headings in the ((Human Development)) Community Well-
17	Being Element of the Comprehensive Plan, and
18	b. A statement explaining the purpose of the development proposed in the
19	master plan, including the public benefits resulting from the proposed new development and the
20	way in which the proposed development will serve the public purpose mission of the Major
21	Institution.
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1	residential urban village in the City's Comprehensive Plan; and (2) meets the definition of an
2	"urban center" as defined in RCW ((Section)) 84.14.010.
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Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by			
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	Edward B. Murray, Mayor		
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