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DATE: May 1, 2020

TO: Planning and Sustainability Commission

FROM: Sallie Edmunds, Central City, River and Environmental Planning Manager

CC: Andrea Durbin, Joe Zehnder, Debbie Bischoff, Jeff Caudill, Mindy Brooks

SUBJECT: River Plan/South Reach Material for the May 12, 2020 Work session

City staff are pleased to be coming back to you for a work session on May 12, 2020 to continue to discuss potential amendments to the River Plan / South Reach. As you will recall, you held a hearing on February 25 and then a work session on March 10.

During those sessions the PSC indicated interest in hearing more about or discussing amendments related to the following items, among other things. The date next to the topic corresponds to the date of the proposed PSC discussion.

- Brooklyn river access (March 10)
- Trails (March 10 and May 12)
- Size of regulated trees in the river setback (March 10)
- Floodplains and the NFIP Biological Opinion (March 10)
- Riverbank stabilization (March 10)
- Waverley Country Club (March 10)
- Vegetation and scenic views (March 10)
- River setback (May 12)
- Enforcement (May 12)
- Docks (May 12)
- Ross Island Sand and Gravel (See May 12, Memo A-25)
- Boating speed limits (PSC discussed on April 28; sent letter to the Oregon State Marine Board)
- Homelessness (May 26)
- Tribal engagement (May 26)



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Recommended Procedure for May 12

For each of the topics listed on the following agenda, staff has prepared a Decision Table containing one or more amendments staff supports - and also some that staff recommends against. We haven't written the actual code language yet, so these amendments are still conceptual. Once we have direction from the PSC on which amendments to include in the final package, we'll prepare code language for review and approval at your May 26 work session.

Staff has already indicated (with a check mark in second to the right column) the items we expect to discuss at the meeting. If there are any un-checked items you would like to discuss, please try to let us before the meeting so we can add them to our discussion list. Staff recommends that the PSC do one straw poll on all of the remaining unchecked (non-discussion) items. If you support the unchecked items that means that you support staff's recommendation. Then staff recommends going through the discussion items one by one, straw polling on each. The memos are intended to help the PSC understand staff's thinking and the basis for our recommendation.

Staff will be prepared to walk you through all of the items that are checked for discussion. If you would like to discuss un-checked items or topics that are not on the list, please let us know in advance so we can be sure to have everything at our fingertips we need to help address questions that you might have.

Agenda for May 12, 2020 (Materials are attached in order)

1. Introduction/Review Agenda/Review Procedure

2. Topic A: Watershed Health and Resilience

Table A, Continued: Watershed Health and Resilience Amendments

Memo A-22: River Setback

Memo A-10: Enforcement

Memo A-25: Ross Island Sand and Gravel (informational only)

Straw Poll

3. Topic B: Recreation (Trails, Docks and Enforcement)

Table B, Continued: Recreation Amendments

Memo B: Residential Docks

Straw Poll

4. Topic D: Riverfront Communities (Macadam Character Statement)

Table D, Continued: Riverfront Communities Amendments

Memo D: Design Amendments: Macadam Character Statement

Attachment: Revised Proposed Character Statement

Straw Poll



5. Anticipated items for next work session on May 26, 2020

Topic C: Tribal Coordination (Archaeological Code)

Topic D, Continued: Riverfront Communities
Homelessness

Topic E: Miscellaneous

Vote: Text and code amendments per straw polls and staff recommendations for May 26

6. Conclude

