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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** February 11, 2015  
**TO:** Planning and Sustainability Commission  
**FROM:** Eric Engstrom, Principal Planner  
**CC:** Susan Anderson, Director; Joe Zehnder, Chief Planner  
**SUBJECT:** Summary of Comprehensive Plan Public Testimony (Memo 8)

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On February 24, 2015, the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) will have its third work session to discuss comments received and reactions to the Proposed Draft. This memo summarizes public testimony received through February 10, 2015.

In this batch of new testimony you'll find some that directly addresses items you discussed in your work session on January 27 and February 10. As you know, your deliberations and recommendations at each work session are tentative, not conclusive, since there will continue to be new testimony coming in through March 13 that may influence or change your recommendations. Staff will continue to encourage the public to submit testimony as early as possible, but will also continue to assure the public that you will be considering ALL testimony received through the closing date.

**Summary of Comments: July 22, 2014 through February 10, 2015**

Between July 22, 2014 and January 27, 2015, a total of 2986 public comments were received. Of these, 1794 were submitted via the Map App, 340 in writing and 471 via email. Additionally, 231 comments were given directly to the PSC at public hearings, and 129 comment cards were submitted (mostly via the Community Alliance of Tenants and through the Mixed Use Zones project meetings).

All written comments received January 27 – February 10, 2015 are available at <http://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/Record/7171505>.

A compiled document of these written comments as well as comments from the Map App during the same time period is available at [ftp://ftp02.portlandoregon.gov/BPS/PSC/CPU/testimony012815-021015\\_compiled.pdf](ftp://ftp02.portlandoregon.gov/BPS/PSC/CPU/testimony012815-021015_compiled.pdf).

To facilitate effective staff review, West Hayden Island is considered here as its own topic, and its own district, and comments are sorted accordingly. Comments are only included in Environment & Watershed Health, and/or Economic Development categories, in addition to WHI, if they also very clearly exhibit concern with or support for broader policy themes, and/or give attention to another location.

Finally, staff have observed that many comments received include questions. When staff comes across these questions, or requests for clarification or additional information, Help Line staff are responding promptly and are keeping a record of these items.

## Comment Distribution (July 22 – February 10)

Policy Comments by Topic	Comments
TSP/Transportation	756
Urban Design Framework, Centers and Corridors	275
Design & Development, Residential, incl. Demolitions	225
Housing	224
Environment and Watershed Health	215
Economic Development/Industrial	176
West Hayden Island & Hayden Island	174
Process (incl. requests for hearings extensions)	103
Public Facilities	89
The Plan & Guiding Principles <sup>i</sup>	87
Community Involvement	45
Administration & Implementation <sup>ii</sup>	28

### Other/Implementation

Land Use Designations	998
Zoning Map	868
Mixed Use Zones - Project Specific	88
Campus Institutional Zoning	30

All Comments by Geography (the location of the comment, not necessarily the address of the person making it)	Comments
Southeast	976
West	682
Northeast	540
East	498
North	254
Central City	221
West Hayden Island	174

Map App Comments by Category <sup>iii</sup>	Comments
Transportation Systems Plan (TSP)	878
Land Use: Centers and Corridors	500
Land Use: Neighborhoods, Parks and Open Spaces	334
Land Use: Jobs and Employment	84
Land Use: Risks and Service Gaps	52
Proposed Infrastructure Projects	37

<sup>i</sup> Includes many comments related to the Guiding Principles called out by the plan: prosperity, equity, health and resiliency, and relationships between local, neighborhood, city, regional, and state plans.

<sup>ii</sup> Both the Campus Institution and Mixed Use Zones - Project Specific topics were added in December upon request from staff to aid them in comment review. Mixed Use Zones - Project Specific is tagged at the discretion of MUZ Project staff.

<sup>iii</sup> While hard copy letters, emails and all testimony received at PSC (verbal and written) may pertain to any or all of the Comp Plan, most testimony received online through the Map App is focused on specific map features, organized into Categories.