

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Comprehensive Plan Update 2016

APPLICATION: SEPA Environmental Checklist SEP-16-00004

PROJECT PROPOSAL AND LOCATION: SEPA environmental checklist SEP-16-00004 is for the 2016 Update to the Comprehensive Plan amendment that within the EIS adopted with the initial adoption of the Comprehensive Plan in 1995. The 2016 Update proposes a generalized approach to Land Use Planning, creates new neighborhoods, identifies challenges and opportunities, new updates to the Transportation Element, updates the Housing Elements, changes in the Urban Growth Area Element to reflect policies in the adopted Countywide Planning Policies, refinements to the Environment Element and other minor updates to the Utilities Element and the Government Services Element. The Vision for the community has also been updated without changing its original intent or spirit. The intent for this update was to reflect changes in requirements, remove redundancies and simplify the language.

DETERMINATION OF COMPLETENESS: The SEP-16-00004 application, submitted on March 25, 2016 by Mr. Cac Kamak for the City of Oak Harbor, has been determined complete for the purpose of processing.

COMBINED SEPA AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: To make written comments on this proposal, please mail or hand-deliver specific comments to: City of Oak Harbor, Development Services Department, 865 SE Barrington Drive, Oak Harbor, WA 98277, no later than **5:00 p.m. on April 14, 2016**. If you have questions regarding this proposal, please contact the Development Services Department at (360) 279-4510, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED: The Planning Commission will open a public hearing for the 2016 Update to the Comprehensive Plan on April 26 and continue the hearing process on May 12 (tentative) and May 24, 2016. The Planning Commission will close their hearing and make a recommendation on the Update at the May 24, 2016 meeting. The City Council will also hold a public hearing, opening it on June 7, 2016 and closing it on the second meeting in June (date to be determined) before taking final action.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AND/OR STUDIES APPLICABLE TO THIS PROJECT: SEPA environmental checklist, SEP-16-00004.

ESTIMATED DATE OF DECISION: It is anticipated that a SEPA determination will be made at the end of the comment period. At that time, another comment period will be opened on the SEPA determination.

To receive notification of the decision on this proposal, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and request a Notification of Decision for SEPA environmental checklist SEP-16-00004 from the City of Oak Harbor, Development Services Department, 865 SE Barrington Drive, Oak Harbor, WA 98277.

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