

2016 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

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COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTS SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE 2016 UPDATE

On May 11, the Council adopted Motion 14351, specifying the Topical Areas to be considered in the update process. In addition to identifying policy topics, the motion identifies a set of specific land use areas and topics to be studied. Broadly speaking, some of the key themes in the motion include:

- potential annexation areas
- · equity and social justice
- · water resources planning
- performance metrics
- transfer of development rights program
- · climate change

- affordable and innovative housing
- the four-for-one program
- · resource lands and industries
- · area zoning and land use plans
- · transportation funding
- other regulatory matters

With the motion adopted, department staff will work to develop a "2016 Comprehensive Plan Public Review Draft" to be distributed to the public for comment in the fall of 2015. Following this, an "Executive Recommendation Draft" will be submitted to the Council by March 2016, per the King County Code.

For more information on the Motion, see below or visit the Council's legislation website at: http://kingcounty.gov/council/legislation.aspx

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WEBPAGE REDESIGNED

King County's website, which contains thousands of separate pages, is being updated into a new format that is cleaner, simpler, and easier to read. More importantly, it's now designed to be read both on computers and hand-held devices.

One of the earlier adopters of the new format is the Comprehensive Plan Update page. This is your source for information to stay current as the update process moves forward over the coming year.



On the website you will find Motion 14351, an overview of the update calendar, information on the current comprehensive plan and more. Visit the site at:

http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/executive/psb/regional-planning/king-county-comprehensive-plan.aspx

GET INVOLVED!

The adoption of the Topical Areas is the start of the process, and King County now needs your help to think through how these broad concepts might be translated into new or updated text, data and policies. If you are interested in meeting with King County staff to discuss the update, please send an email to compplan@kingcounty.gov.



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