

Summary of Substantive Changes Made by Planning Commission

The following edits were proposed by the Planning Commission during their five public hearings in January-March 2020. Minor edits that did not change the intent of a goal/policy - such as the use of a slightly different verb or addition of examples – are not included below. A track changes version showing all edits made since the goals and policies were “pinned down” by the City Council will be included in the meeting packet.

Section 1 – Community Engagement

Overarching Section Goal: Shortened and reorganized structure of the sentence.

Policy 1.2.5 (NEW): Added policy calling for diversity, equity and inclusion to be better incorporated into the land use planning process, in lieu of a policy calling for the creation of a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee. However, commissioners did want to make sure that City Council was aware that several CPAC members testified recommending inclusion of policy calling for DEI Committee.

Policy 1.3.1: Removed reference to the Planning Commission as the city’s official Community Involvement Advisory Committee (CIAC) and instead called for City Council to appoint and maintain the CIAC.

Policy 1.3.3: Added minimum frequency for evaluating community involvement (no less than annually).

Policy 1.3.4 (NEW): Added policy recommending creation of an online pre-application portal that is available to the public.

Section 2 – History, Arts and Culture

Overarching Section Goal: Revised structure of the sentence and incorporated language from the Community Vision.

Section 3 – Natural Resources and Environmental

Background Summary: Language was added around the topics of environmental justice and health.

Goal 3.2: Expanded scope of goal to cover not just water quality, but also water quantity/flows. Minor revisions related to this were also made to Policy 3.2.6.

Policy 3.2.2: Broadened policy language to cover not just removal of the Kellogg Dam, but also other options for restoring a free-flowing Kellogg Creek. Similar revisions were made to Policy 4.4.3.

Policy 3.3.7: Added more specificity related to habitat connectivity.

Policy 3.4.2: Added language regarding consideration of future solar when evaluating tree protection and planting.

Policy 3.4.5: Added language about incentivizing the protection of large trees.

Policy 3.4.7 (NEW): Added policy calling for partnerships to help plant and maintain trees for lower income residents.

Section 4 – Willamette River Greenway

Policy 4.5.2: Called for defining the primary intent of parks within the Willamette River Greenway.

Section 5 – Natural Resources

Policy 5.4.7 (NEW): Added policy calling for development proposals in natural hazard areas to be offered consultation on best practices early in the application process.

Section 6 – Climate Change and Energy

Policy 6.1.10 (MOVED): Moved policy from Section 6.2 to Section 6.1.

Policy 6.2.4: Added language referencing distributed energy resources and storage.

Section 7 – Housing

Background Summary: Edited the Key Issues section to provide a broader discussion of equity, including incorporating comments provided by the CPAC.

Overarching Section Goal: Simplified goal language and added language directly from Community Vision.

Goal 7.1: Added language about uplifting historically disenfranchised communities and reducing disparities.

Policy 7.4.1: Split policy into two distinct thoughts (via separate bullet points)

Policy 7.4.6: Revised policy and shifted some of the detail to a new call-out box, including the definition of “intentional communities”.

Policy 7.4.7 (DELETED): Commissioners felt this policy – which called for creating and monitoring performance measures and metrics related to housing production and infrastructure improvements – was already covered Policy 7.4.8, and as such was redundant and unnecessary.

Section 8 – Urban Design and Land Use

Overarching Section Goal: Added language to identify neighborhoods as the centers of daily life.

Policy 8.1.2(d): Completely rewrote the policy to emphasize importance of creating transitions to adjacent residential neighborhoods. Similar revisions were made to Policy 8.1.4(b).

Policy 8.1.5(d) (NEW): Added policy language about protecting Johnson Creek and adjacent riparian areas in North Milwaukie Innovation Area.

Policy 8.1.6: Requested a new call-out box that defines the term “daylighting” (as it pertains to creeks) and why it is especially important in the International Way Business District.

Policy 8.1.9(b) (NEW): Added policy language about protecting 3-Creeks Natural Area near Clackamas Regional Center, which is within city’s Urban Growth Management Area.

Policy 8.3.7 (NEW): Added new policy calling for expanding use of incentives to encourage development in neighborhood hubs and/or that improves housing affordability.

Section 9 – Parks and Recreation

Overarching Section Goal: Simplified/condensed the goal into one sentence, as they felt it was too long and incorporated too many individual policies.

Policy 9.2.8 (NEW): Added policy language about utilizing community service use (CSU) land use application process to adopt and amend Comprehensive Plans (master plans have historically required amendments to the Comprehensive Plan).

Policy 9.4.6 (NEW): Felt that Policy 9.4.5 covered two distinct topics, so split it into two separate policies, including the new policy 9.4.6.

Section 10 – Public Facilities and Services

Policy 10.3.6: Added language about potential decommissioning to this policy that deals with long-term plans for the Kellogg Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Policy 10.4.10 (NEW): Added policy calling for collaboration with jurisdictions upstream of Milwaukie on issues such as reducing impervious surfaces in an effort to reduce downstream impacts.

Policy 10.5.9 (NEW): Added policy encouraging waste haulers to expand collection of non-standard recyclable materials.

Policy 10.5.10 (NEW): Added policy language encouraging the use of low or zero-emission vehicles for waste collections.

Section 11 – Economic Development

Overarching Section Goal: Added references to environmental sustainability and innovation.

Section 12 – Urban Growth Management

Overarching Section Goal: Added references to equity and environmental sustainability.