



City of Seattle

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Seattle Department of Planning and Development

Diane M. Sugimura, Director

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Greetings,

Thank you very much for your interest and your involvement in the Georgetown neighborhood. Your efforts have been appreciated. Aly Pennucci from our city planning team has met with or talked to you and other stakeholders in preparation for potential planning work. At this time, I would like to update you about the scope of that work.

Resolution 31026, adopted in 2006, outlined the City's intention to explore additional economic development, planning, and land use strategies for Seattle's industrial lands. Though Georgetown was not specifically called out for a neighborhood planning effort, it was acknowledged that stakeholder involvement for industrial land efforts should also include Georgetown residents and representatives of affected neighborhood councils.


We are currently considering amendments to the City's comprehensive plan that would impact future proposals to make changes to industrial lands in the Manufacturing and Industrial Center (MI/C), which would include areas in Georgetown. Initially we had viewed this as an opportunity to work with the community on a broader review of land use and zoning in Georgetown. However, due to current resource constraints, and after consulting with the Mayor's office, the City planning team will focus on the Comprehensive Plan Amendments.

We are organizing a **community-wide meeting on November 5th at the Seattle Central College-Georgetown Campus (6:30PM, Room C122)**, that will allow various city departments to hear from the community. This will help the City evaluate the proposed comprehensive plan amendments related to industrial lands, and how they would affect Georgetown. We will determine if there are issues that can be addressed in the short term, and document broader issues that would need additional resources to address. Your input will be shared with the Mayor and City Council, and we will report back to the community on what we heard.

I recognize this approach may not address all of the community's concerns, but I want to be realistic about what can be achieved within existing resources. I ask that you work with us and other department staff to undertake a successful community meeting where all voices have the opportunity to be heard.

I look forward to hearing the results of this initial meeting and continuing to work with your community. If you would like to further discuss this please contact Aly Pennucci, on my staff, at 206-386-9132 or aly.pennucci@seattle.gov.

Sincerely,


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