

NOTICE OF POTENTIAL CHANGES TO RESIDENTIAL TARGET AREAS UNDER THE MULTIFAMILY PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION AND PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council's Committee on Housing Affordability, Humans Services and Economic Sustainability is conducting a public hearing on potential changes to the geographic boundaries of residential targeted areas within which the City offers access to the Multifamily Property Tax Exemption as administered under SMC 5.73. These changes would be effected through future Council action to amend SMC 5.73.030. This notice is issued pursuant to RCW 84.14.040(3).

Description:

SMC 5.73.030 presently designates 39 residential targeted areas within which the City offers access to the Multifamily Property Tax Exemption. The Seattle Office of Housing has proposed that future legislative changes to SMC 5.73 instead designate a single residential targeted area that comprises additional zones in which development of multifamily housing of four or more units is permitted. A map showing the proposed changes can be accessed at the following website: <http://www.seattle.gov/housing/housing-developers/multifamily-tax-exemption>. Questions may be directed to Todd Burley at OH at 206.684.5081 or Todd.Burley@Seattle.gov.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing on the proposed change is scheduled for September 17, 2015 to begin at 9:30. The location of this hearing is City Council Chambers, Seattle City Hall, 600 Fourth Avenue, Floor 2. The entrances to City Hall are located on the west side of Fifth Avenue and the east side of Fourth Avenue, between James and Cherry Streets. For those who wish to testify, a sign-up sheet will be available outside Council Chambers 15 minutes before the start of the Council hearing.

Questions concerning the public hearing may be directed to Ms. Audrey Buehring in Councilmember John Okamoto's office at 206.684.8802 or Audrey.buehring@seattle.gov.

The City Council's Chamber is accessible. Directions to City Hall, and information about transit access and parking, are available at www.seattle.gov/council/city_hall_parking.pdf. Print and communication access provided on prior request. Any individual wishing to request FM assistive listening devices, printed materials, American Sign Language and translation services, or other reasonable accommodations should do so as soon as possible to customer support at (206) 684-8888; or TTY Relay 7-1-1. Every effort will be made to accommodate each request.

HOW TO COMMENT

For those unable to attend the public hearing, written comments may be sent to:

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or by email to john.okamoto@seattle.gov

Written comments should be received no later than 9:30 a.m on September 16, 2015.