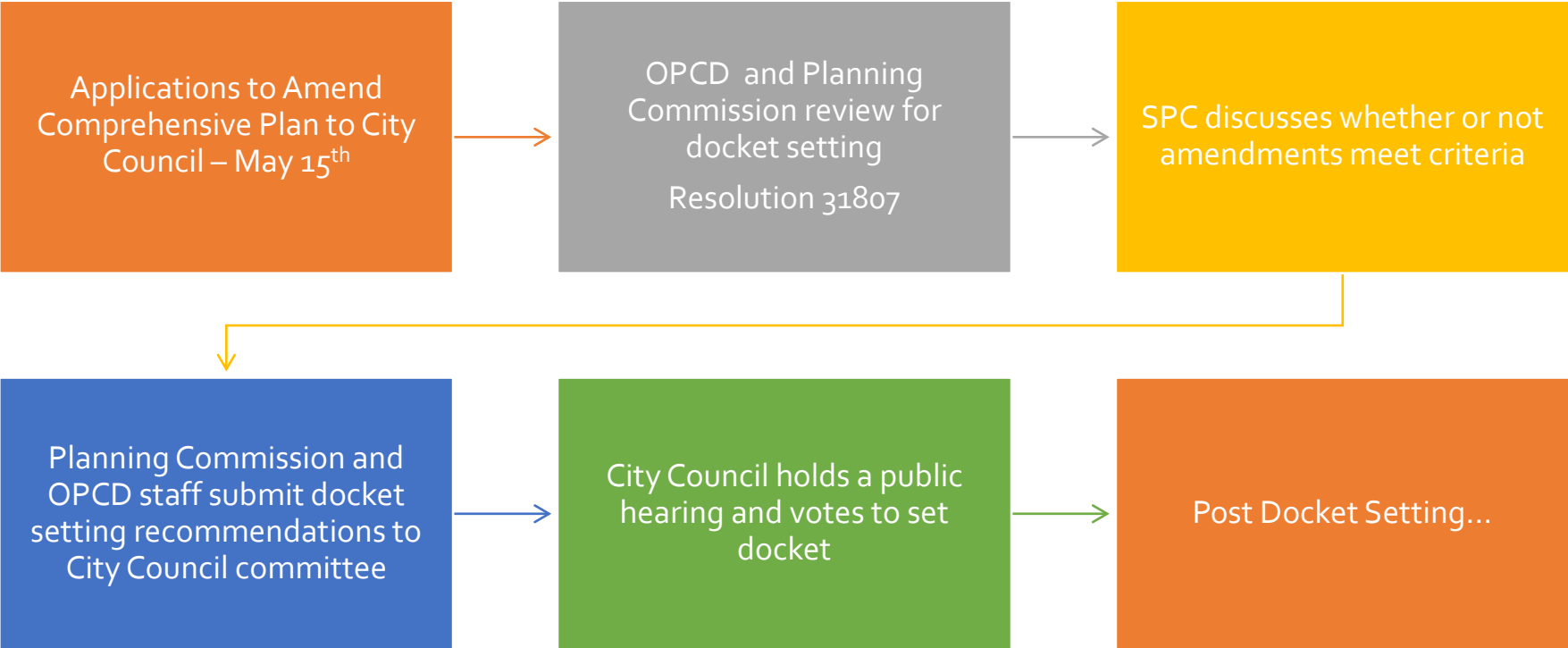
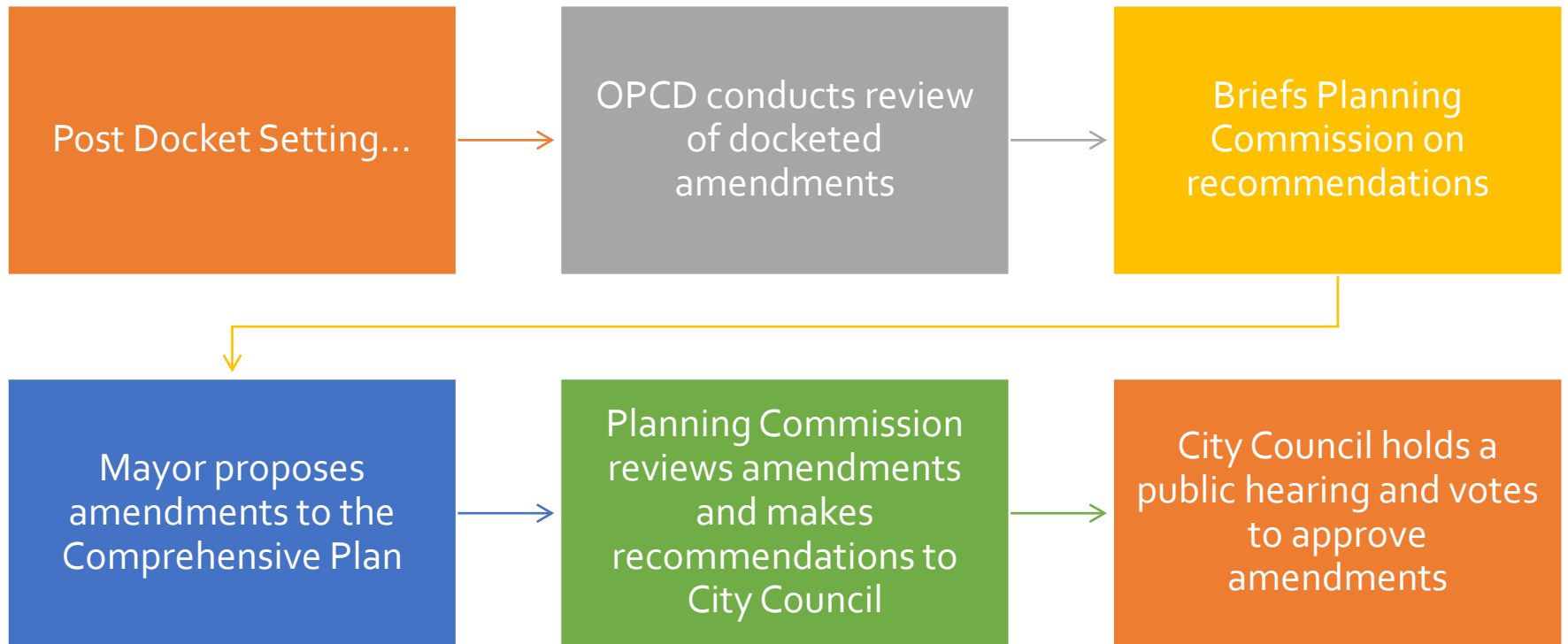


2020-2021 Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Docket Setting



Post Docket Setting



Docketing Criteria (Res. 31807)

- A. The amendment is legal under state and local law.

- B. The amendment is appropriate for the Comprehensive Plan because:
 - 1. It is consistent with the role of the Comprehensive Plan under the State Growth Management Act;

 - 2. It is consistent with the Countywide Planning Policies and with the multi-county policies contained in the Puget Sound Regional Council's regional growth strategy;

 - 3. Its intent cannot be accomplished by a change in regulations alone;

 - 4. It is not better addressed as a budgetary or programmatic decision; and

 - 5. It is not better addressed through another process, such as activities identified in departmental work programs under way or expected in the near future, within which the suggested amendment can be considered alongside other related issues.

Docketing Criteria (Res. 31807)

- C. It is practical to consider the amendment because:
 - 1. The timing of the amendment is appropriate, and Council will have sufficient information to make an informed decision;
 - 2. City staff will be able to develop within the time available the text for the Comprehensive Plan and, if necessary, amendments to the Municipal Code, and to conduct sufficient analysis and public review; and
 - 3. The amendment is consistent with the overall vision of the Comprehensive Plan and well-established Comprehensive Plan policy, or the Mayor or Council wishes to consider changing the vision or established policy.
- D. If the amendment has previously been proposed, relevant circumstances have changed significantly so that there is sufficient cause for reconsidering the proposal.

Docketing Criteria (Res. 31807)

E. If the amendment would change a neighborhood plan, there is evidence that proponents of the amendment, or other persons, have effectively communicated the substance and purpose of the amendment with those who could be affected by the amendment and there is documentation provided of community support for the amendment.

F. The amendment is likely to make a material difference in a future City regulatory or funding decision.

G. A proposal that would change the boundary of an urban center, urban village, or manufacturing/industrial center requires an amendment to the Future Land Use Map (FLUM), regardless of the area's size. However, an amendment that proposes to change the FLUM is not necessary and will not be considered when it would affect an area that is less than a full block in size and is located adjacent to other land designated on the FLUM for a use that is the same as – or is compatible with – the proposed designation.

Proposed Amendments

- City Council received 11 proposals from members of the public to consider for the 2020-2021 Comprehensive Plan docket
 - Future Land Use Map (FLUM): 1 proposed amendment
 - Text: 10 proposed amendments
- Executive has not completed review of a number of items that were docketed under Resolution 31896 for potential consideration in 2020
- The Land Use and Neighborhoods Committee may also consider docketing these items

SPC Schedule

- June 25: Preliminary review of amendments
- July 23: Review staff draft recommendations
- August 13: Action on final recommendations

#1: Extend the University District Urban Center

Extend the University District Urban Center boundary to include eight lots along the western side of 15th Ave NE between NE 56th St and NE Ravenna Blvd and change the FLUM designation from Multi-Family Residential to University District Urban Center

- Not previously submitted

#2: West Seattle High Bridge emergency closure

Amend City policies to assist in mitigating the emergency closure of the West Seattle High Bridge

- Not previously submitted

#3: Potential Landslide Area Covenants

Cease the practice of issuing 'Potential Landslide Area Covenants' to properties in Seattle's Environmental Critical Areas

- Not previously submitted

#4: Pedestrian Grade Separations

Amend the Transportation Element to discourage pedestrian grade separations such as skybridges, aerial trams or tunnels to maintain an active pedestrian environment at street level

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#5: Yards and Trees

Amend the Land Use Element to clarify policies related to yards and trees

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#6: Open and Participatory Government

Add an Open and Participatory Government element or appendix

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#7: Demolition and Displacement

Amend the Land Use Element to discourage demolition of residences and displacement of residents

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#8: Heavy Vehicles

Amend the Transportation Element to minimize damage to streets from heavy vehicles

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#9: Development Monitoring

Amend the Plan to require monitoring of development and a special review procedure related to development

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#10: Rezones and Conditional Uses

Amend the Land Use Element to require zone and rezone criteria and public notice, outreach and inclusiveness

- Previously submitted, most recently in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

#11: Tree Canopy and Urban Forest

Amend various sections of the Comprehensive Plan to support the protection and expansion of the urban forest and tree canopy cover

- Previously submitted in 2019-2020 cycle
- Not docketed in the 2019-2020 cycle

Questions/Discussion