

Moratorium on Certain Development Applications Work Plan Schedule

The City Council passed Ordinances Nos. 2018-02, 2018-03, and 2018-05 declaring a temporary moratorium on the acceptance of certain development applications, with specified exclusions. The moratorium continues to have an effective date of January 9, 2018 and is in place for 6-months (July 9, 2018) unless amended, repealed or extended.

Included in the ordinances are four (4) City Council concerns regarding likely adverse impacts related to growth and development under existing regulations. The concerns are specified below (**emphasis added**) with a corresponding work plan schedule date and action item.

- (1) **Threatened** harm to Bainbridge Island's **fresh water aquifers** due to continued **clearing of native forests and vegetation**, as well as disturbance of native soils, which activities are currently in the process of being addressed through the City's **Critical Areas Ordinance** update process; and
- (2) The **loss of trees, forests, native vegetation, and soils**, along with the full range of **important ecosystem services and values** that they provide to the community, as expressed, for example, by the City Council in the City's Comprehensive Plan, as well as concerns expressed by the Planning Commission, Design Review Board, and the Ad Hoc Tree/LID Committee.

Critical Areas Ordinance (BIMC 16.20)	
Date 2018	Action
February/March	City Council Adopt Critical Areas Ordinance
March/April	Update BIMC 2.16, Administrative Manual, Fee Schedule
April/May	Critical Areas Ordinance Becomes Effective/Implemented

- (3) Compliance with **design review standards and guidelines**, including as relates to, for example, Policy LU 6.8 of the City's Comprehensive Plan, and regarding the role of the Design Review Board, Hearing Examiner, Planning Commission, and City Council in the **land use development review and decision-making process**, as well as related to meeting the goals of the Comprehensive Plan more generally, including its guiding principle to "Preserve the Island's special character," as well as other principles.

Design Standards and Guidelines (BIMC 18.18); Subdivision Design Standards (BIMC 17.12), Development Standards (BIMC 18.12 and 18.15) and Land Use Review Procedures (BIMC 2.16)	
Date 2018	Action
February/March	Meet with Design Review Board (DRB) and Planning Commission (PC)
March	Conduct Joint DRB/PC Meeting to Identify Municipal Code Update Objectives
March	Select Consultant to Conduct Comprehensive Plan and Municipal Code Consistency Review and Gap Analysis

- (4) Serious challenges promoting **affordable housing** in a manner consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Affordable Housing	
Date 2018	Action
March	Issue RFQ for Inclusionary Zoning Consultant Services
March	Affordable Housing Task Force (AHTF) Interim Report to City Council
July	AHTF Final Report and Recommendations to City Council