

City of Long Beach
Shoreline Master Program

1. Introduction

The City of Long Beach wishes to make some small adjustments to the City's Shoreline Master Program. One of the adjustments will be to allow residential uses by Conditional Use Permit in the Shoreline jurisdiction. The other amendment will include a clarifying sentence in regard to when a Shoreline Conditional Use Permit and Shoreline Variance is required.

2. Public Participation Opportunities

4.1. Documents at City Hall

All documents relating to the SMP amendment will be available at the Community Development Department in the Long Beach City Hall. Copies requested by the public will be available at the established copying cost.

4.2. SMP Website

The city will maintain a SMP section on the website where interested parties can access and download status updates, draft documents, official notices, minutes, and other project information. The website will be the primary repository of all information related to the amendment process. The page will include who to contact for more information and an email link for questions and comments.

4.3. Mailing List

The city will establish an email list of interested parties to share information about current progress and participation opportunities during the amendment process. Any individual, agency, or organization may request to be added to the list by contacting the Community Development Department at planner@longbeachwa.gov or (360) 642-4421.

4.4. Submitted Comments

Stakeholders may provide comments to the city by letter or email at any time during the SMP amendment process. There will also be an opportunity to provide comments in-person or virtually via zoom during the public hearing. The city will maintain a record of all comments it receives, make them available to

the Planning Commission and the City Council, and post them on its SMP page on the website.

4.5. List of Stakeholders

- ▶ Individuals currently on city mailing lists
- ▶ Individuals interested in the last periodic review update
- ▶ Pacific County Planning Department
- ▶ Pacific County Economic Development Council
- ▶ Pacific Conservation District
- ▶ Pacific County Marine Resources Committee
- ▶ City of Ilwaco
- ▶ Washington Department of Ecology
- ▶ Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- ▶ Washington State Parks
- ▶ US Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District
- ▶ West Coast Ocean Alliance
- ▶ Long Beach Merchants Association
- ▶ Surfrider Foundation

4.6. Public Comment Periods and Hearings

The city will coordinate with the Department of Ecology on the public comment period and public hearing in accordance with the optional SMP amendment process that allows for a combined state-local comment period as provided under WAC 173-26-104.

The city will publish notice of the required 30-day comment period and include information about the Planning Commission-Department of Ecology Joint Public Hearing. After conclusion of the public hearing, the Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council regarding final adoption of the city's SMP.

All notices published by the city will be consistent with city procedures and comply with all other legal requirements, such as the Americans with Disabilities Act. In addition to the newspaper of record, the city will inform stakeholders on its e-list about comment periods and the public hearing.

4.7. Public Participation Timeline

There will be specific public participation activities throughout the SMP amendment process. The city's SMP web page will post current dates regarding participation activities and any deadlines for comment. The city will inform or coordinate its activities with the Department of Ecology.

The timeline below anticipates when these activities will happen.

September 2023

- ▶ PPP sent to Ecology
- ▶ Upload the SMP amendment to the City's website
- ▶ City to notify interested parties and individuals/agencies on record who participated in the last update.
- ▶ City completes a review of Initial Draft document.

September/ October 2023

- ▶ Transmittal of SMP Amendment (SMP doc and maps together) to Department of Commerce and Ecology with 60-day Notice of Intent to Adopt.
- ▶ Newspaper notice published, issue SEPA threshold determination
- ▶ Provide Initial Draft SMP document to PC/brief PC on potential draft changes.
- ▶ Planning Commission briefing on comments and potential draft changes

November 2023

Joint local-state comment period and hearing begins. November and December 2023

30-day joint comment period

January 2024

City issues formal responses to public comments (if any)

City Council Public Hearing and Local Adoption

January and February 2024

Send final submittal to Ecology for review.

Spring 2024 (Anticipated)

Final Ecology approval and SMP adoption

Winter 2024 (Anticipated)

Effective Date

3. City SMP Contacts

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