

Riverfront Vision Plan Code Implementation  
Planning Commission Work Session  
**Tuesday, February 25, 2014**  
Astoria City Hall, City Council Chambers  
1095 Duane Street, Astoria OR 97103  
6:30 PM

At the February 25, 2014 **Astoria Planning Commission** meeting, the Commission will hold a fifth work session discussing potential changes to the City's Development Code aimed at implementing recommendations in the Astoria Riverfront Vision Plan. The Planning Commission meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. This fifth work session will include a discussion of selected code topics previously discussed by the Commission. These will include all of the draft code amendments and topics discussed at the last three work sessions that potentially would be applied to future development over water and on land within the "Civic Greenway" area. The Civic Greenway area is located approximately between 16<sup>th</sup> Street and just east of 39<sup>th</sup> Street and north of Marine Drive. Community members are invited to attend this work session, as well as future public hearings, to hear Planning Commission and City Council discussion on this topic and learn more about this planning effort. Public comment will be received.

After this work session, the City will conduct public hearings with the Planning Commission and City Council to review an updated set of potential development code amendments for the Civic Greenway area for potential adoption. These hearings are tentatively scheduled for May and June, with specific dates still to be determined.

Additionally, the City's website contains up-to-date information on the Riverfront Vision Plan: [www.astoria.or.us](http://www.astoria.or.us), select 'Community Development', once on the Community Development page, select 'Projects'.

The Riverfront Vision Plan which was adopted in 2009 includes a variety of recommendations related to land use and development, transportation improvements and parks and open space facilities along the Riverfront between Young's Bay and the Alderbrook Lagoon.

The City has secured a grant from the Oregon Departments of Transportation and Land Conservation and Development to update its development code and zoning map to begin to implement land use recommendations in the Riverfront Vision Plan. The Vision Plan identifies four different sub-areas along the riverfront. The first phase of the development code project will focus on the Civic Greenway area, with a second, future phase focusing on the "Bridge Vista Area" located between Young's Bay and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Development code updates may address requirements associated with types of land uses allowed in different areas, building heights, building siting, landscaping and requirements for access to the river, as well as retaining views of the river and surrounding areas.

For more information about the project, please contact Brett Estes, City of Astoria Community Development Director / Assistant City Manager, or Rosemary Johnson, City Planner, at (503) 338-5183 or [bestes@astoria.or.us](mailto:bestes@astoria.or.us) or [rjohnson@astoria.or.us](mailto:rjohnson@astoria.or.us).