Cottage Housing Amendments

Planning Commission March 16, 2023

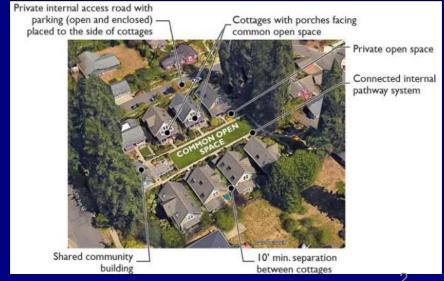


Cottage Housing

- What is it?
 - Small homes clustered around common open

space

- Why are we doing it?
 - Housing Action Plan
 - Grant Funding



The Cottage Code

- Density
- Affordability
- Lot Coverage

- Setbacks
- Tree Preservation Incentives



The 2012 Comprehensive Plan

- Encourage development of an appropriate mix of housing choices through innovative land use and well-crafted regulations. (Goal H II)
- Consider regulations that would allow cottage housing in residential areas, and revise the Development Code to allow and create standards for a wider variety of housing styles. (Policy H6)



The 2012 Comprehensive Plan

 Provide the potential for a broad range of housing choices and levels of affordability to meet the changing needs of a diverse community. (LU Policy 8)



LU Policy 1, 2 & 3

- Describe the land use designations (low, medium & high)
- Describe types of residential uses allowed outright or under certain conditions
- Base density

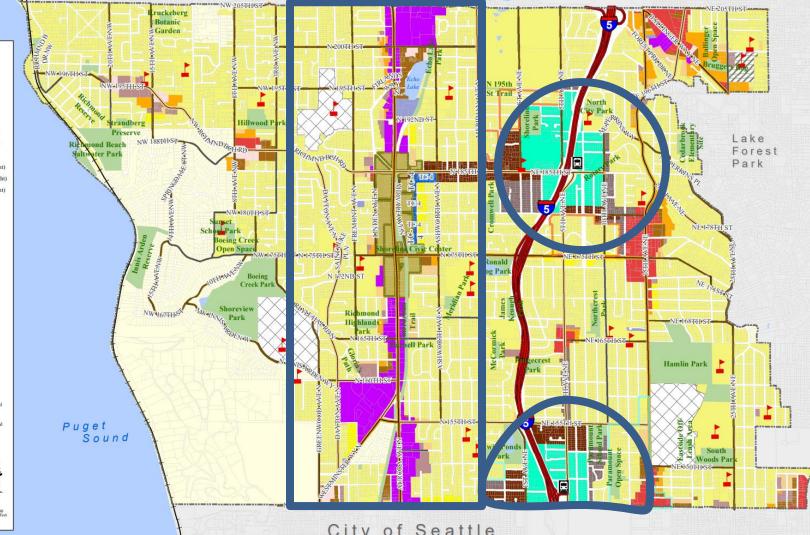


Density

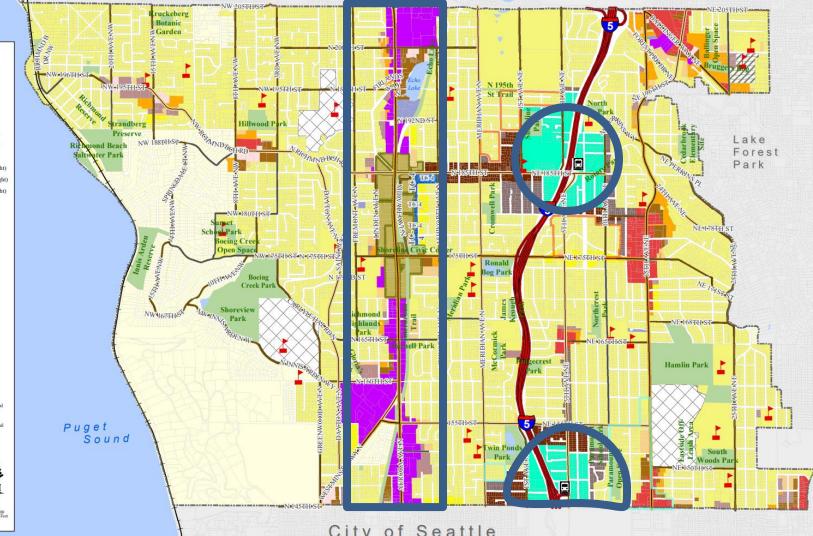
- Green Building (25-50% density bonus)
- Close to Transit (25-50% density bonus)
- Affordability (100% bonus)
- Bonuses are Stackable
- Maximum of 100% (double density)











How to Approach Affordability

- Percentage of Area Median Income
- Affordable Housing Provider
- Fee-in-Lieu



Fee-In-Lieu

- Rate updated annually
- 2023 Fee Schedule
 - 10% of units affordable: \$229,417/unit
 - 20% of units affordable: \$176,330/unit



Lot Coverage

- Building
- Hardscape
- 10% Increase in R-4 & R-6





Setbacks

- Match Underlying Zone
- No 15-Foot Setback Increase
 - Privacy Fence
 - Perimeter Landscaping
- Aggregate Setbacks

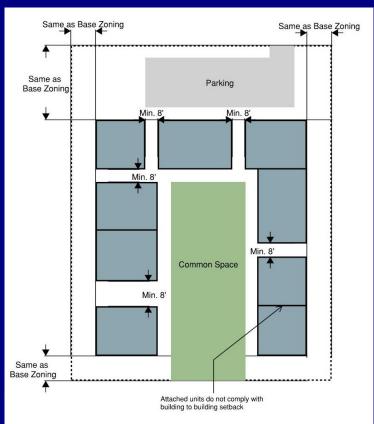


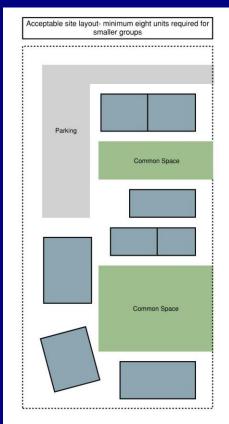
Tree Preservation Incentives

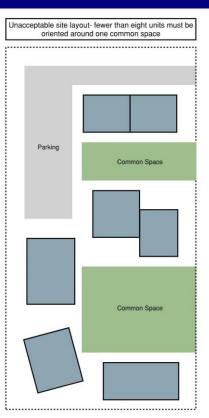
- Large Tree Dripline = Common Open Space
- Reduce Required Common Open Space (5-20%)
- Cottage Height Increase by 3 feet
- Increase in Upper Floor Area (5-10%)
- Parking Reduction 5-15%



Graphics







Next Steps

Winter/Spring 2022	Spring/Summer 2022	Summer/Fall 2022	Winter of 2023	Winter/Spring 2023	June 2023
					
Engage Consultant Brief Planning Commission	Existing Conditions Report Public Engagement	Analyze Data Present Findings to Planning Commission	Draft Regulations to Planning Commission	Planning Commission Recommendation City Council Consideration	Cottage Housing Ordinance Considered for Adoption



Public Comment



Discussion Question

 Does Planning Commission want to see an affordability density bonus option that includes a fee-in-lieu?



Planning Commission Discussion



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