

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-15

A RESOLUTION INITIATING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SALEM REVISED CODE, SALEM AREA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, SALEM AREA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP, NEN-SESNA NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN MAP, AND SALEM ZONING MAP TO ESTABLISH AND APPLY TWO NEW ZONES TO THE STATE STREET CORRIDOR AND CREATE A NEW STREET DESIGN FOR THE STATE STREET CORRIDOR

Whereas, the City Council adopted the NEN-SESNA Neighborhood Plan as components and support documents to the Salem Area Comprehensive Plan in 2015; and

Whereas, the NEN-SESNA Neighborhood Plan recommended that the State Street corridor between 12th and 25th Street be revitalized a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly, mixed-use corridor; and

Whereas, a Council goal for economic development in FY13-14 included a strategy to “Develop a plan for redevelopment of State Street: from 12th Street to the State Penitentiary...;” and

Whereas, Council authorized staff to apply for and accept a Transportation and Growth Management (TGM) grant from Oregon Department of Transportation and the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development for the State Street Corridor Plan (Plan), and the City was notified that the Plan had been selected for a grant award on August 20, 2014; and

Whereas, the City worked with the community for more than two years to prepare the Plan to advance the City Council goal and the vision for the State Street corridor in the NEN-SESNA Neighborhood Plan; and

Whereas, community stakeholders, including residents, property owners, business owners, community groups, NEN, SESNA, public agency officials, and developers were afforded the maximum opportunity for involvement in the development of the Plan and its recommendations for land use and street design improvements; and

Whereas, the Plan recommended the creation of two mixed-use zones, Mixed Use-I (MU-I) and Mixed Use-II (MU-II), as well as a new street design for the State Street corridor to revitalize it into a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly, mixed-use corridor; and

Whereas, the proposed MU-I and MU-II zones would encourage pedestrian-friendly, mixed-use development by allowing a broad mix of commercial, residential, and other complementary uses and establishing development standards that address site and building design; and

Whereas, the proposed new street design would create a safer, more welcoming environment for pedestrians and bicyclists while accommodating vehicular traffic by including improvements such as wider sidewalks throughout the State Street corridor and bicycle lanes on a portion of State Street; and

Whereas, implementation of the recommendations in the Plan require that the Salem Revised Code be amended and the Transportation System Plan (a component of the Salem Area Comprehensive Plan), Salem Area Comprehensive Plan Map, NEN-SESNA Neighborhood Plan Map, and zoning for properties in the State Street corridor be changed; and

Whereas, a “Major Comprehensive Plan Amendment” and “Major Plan Map Amendment” must be initiated by the City Council under SRC 64.020(e)(1) and SRC 64.025(b)(1), proposed amendments to the Salem Revised Code may be initiated by the City Council by resolution under SRC 300.1110(a), and legislative zone changes may be initiated by City Council under SRC 265.010(c); and

Whereas, a 35-day notification to the Department of Land Conservation and Development is required under SRC 300.1110(d); and

Whereas, the City Council may refer the matter to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation under SRC 300.1110(a)(1);

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, OREGON,
RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council hereby initiates proposed amendments to the Salem Revised Code, Salem Transportation System Plan, Salem Area Comprehensive Plan Map, NEN-SESNA Neighborhood Plan Map, and Zoning Map to establish two new zones and apply them to the State Street corridor and to establish a new street design for the State Street corridor.

Section 2. The City Council hereby refers the matter described in Section 1 above to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation, and public hearing before the Planning Commission shall be set for a future date.

Section 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 12th day of March, 2018.

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Approved by City Attorney: _____

Checked by: E. Kim