



CITY OF
TUMWATER

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MEETING AGENDA**

**Online via Zoom and In Person at
Tumwater Fire Department
Headquarters, EOC, 311 Israel Rd. SW,
Tumwater, WA 98501**

**Tuesday, May 27, 2025
6:00 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Historical Commission Project Presentation (Parks and Recreation Department)
4. Brewery Redevelopment Planned Action Environmental Impact Statement Presentation (Executive Department)
5. Mayor/City Administrator's Report
6. Adjourn

Meeting Information

All Councilmembers will be attending remotely. The public are welcome to attend in person, by telephone or online via Zoom.

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TO: City Council
FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director
DATE: May 27, 2025
SUBJECT: Historical Commission Project Presentation

1) Recommended Action:

Information item

2) Background:

The Tumwater Historic Commission began discussing long term planning and projects in 2024. The first project of 2025 relates to Tumwater's historic trails and roadways. Commissioner Dave Nicandri volunteered to put together elements of a plan relative to the marking of historic trails/roadways. With the assistance of Darlene Kemery, whom the City contracted with to provide graphic design and digital production services, Commissioner Nicandri completed the initial research and developed a plan for recognizing Tumwater's important historical routes.

3) Policy Support:

Build a Community Recognized for Quality, Compassion and Humanity:

- Pursue "quality of life" (e.g., trails, trees, parks, community gardens, events) and aesthetic improvements (hanging baskets, public art, specialty and wayfinding signs, landscaping).
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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Recommend continued planning and implementation of historical markers
 - ☐ Do not approve planning for historical markers
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5) Fiscal Notes:

To be determined with additional planning. The Historic Commission has limited funding for this project and a local civic club has interest in donating funds to help support the projects.

6) Attachments:

None

TO: City Council
 FROM: Lisa Parks, City Administrator
 DATE: May 27, 2025
 SUBJECT: Brewery Redevelopment Planned Action Environmental Impact Statement Presentation

1) Recommended Action:

No action requested. This is both an update regarding on-going projects and an opportunity for discussion about the overall strategy/approach.

2) Background:

Brownfields are defined as properties with real or perceived contamination from past uses that may complicate expansion, redevelopment, or reuse. Brownfield revitalization in both the Brewery District and Capitol Boulevard Corridor is a specific goal/strategy within the Council's Strategic Priority of pursuing and supporting targeted community and economic development opportunities. Utilizing brownfield redevelopment strategies also implements the City's goal of approaching economic development from a "triple bottom line" – people, planet and prosperity – sustainability perspective.

Two critical grants fund the current focus of the City's brownfield redevelopment work, which is to provide environmental assessments and characterization to better understand the specific contamination that occurs at various locations. The \$200,000 Integrated Planning Grant (IPG) from the Department of Ecology focuses on due diligence research at the former Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Headquarters on Capitol Boulevard. The \$500,000 Community Wide Assessment Grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funds assessments related to the former Tumwater Brewery sites. Staff will present an update on the status of these two projects.

In addition to the update on the existing brownfield efforts, staff will describe the comprehensive strategy to achieve a more detailed plan for full redevelopment of these areas, once the cleanup strategies are identified. As previously discussed, this approach utilizes a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) process – a Planned Action Environmental Impact Statement (Planned Action EIS) – that includes a detailed and comprehensive environmental analysis at a non-project, comprehensive planning stage for a defined sub-area. Staff are currently preparing a service agreement with our brownfield consultant to conduct early planning activities to support the planned action Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

3) Policy Support:

Strategic Goals and Priorities:

- Pursue and support targeted community and economic development opportunities
- Facilitate brownfield revitalization in the Brewery District and Capitol Boulevard Corridor.
- Promote economic development strategies with a "triple bottom line" – people, planet, and prosperity – sustainability perspective.
- Continue implementation of the Capitol Boulevard Plan.

4) Alternatives:

N/A

5) Fiscal Notes:

The initial stages of the Planned Action EIS are included in the 2025-2026 budget: \$100,000 for the biennium

6) Attachments:

None