Open House to Kick Off Major Update of City’s Development Code

(Edmonds – WA) To kick off a major update of the city’s development code, an open house will be held Wednesday, March 11th between 5:30 and 7:00 pm at the Edmonds City Hall’s Bracket Room (third floor). The public is invited.

The development code deals with permitting, zoning, land use, public works, natural resources, and other topics.

“Currently, we have a code with some good parts mixed with not-so-good parts,” said Shane Hope, the city’s development services director. “Because it has been amended piecemeal over the years, some standards and processes are unclear or don’t meet today’s needs.”

The City Council directed that the code get a major update. “Edmonds is a great community, It’s really important that our code is updated to guide what happens here and that it is written in a way that’s user-friendly,” said Council President Adrienne Frailey-Monillas.

The open house will have displays and information about the coming development code update. Staff will be on hand to answer questions or hear input from attendees. A short oral presentation will be given at 6:00 pm. People can also submit written comments at the event.

“Probably not all code issues can be dealt with this time around,” said Shane Hope. “But we definitely want to get to the high priorities and have something drafted for City Council consideration, with plenty of opportunities for public input, before the end of the year. Then if other updates are needed, they can be handled in the next round.”

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