SUSTAINABILITY CODE AMENDMENTS: FINAL BUNDLE PLANNING DIVISION

February 3 Community Council Chairs Breakfast

Implementing Sustainability Principles Through Zoning

THINK B~I~G

Remove Barriers

Eliminate bans on solar panels/wind turbines

Create Incentives

Density bonuses for affordable housing

Fill Regulatory Gaps

Mandatory water-conserving landscaping





Status of Overall Project

Adopted

Transit-Oriented Development District

City Council is Reviewing

- Renewable Energy Systems
- Urban Agriculture
- Water-Efficient Landscape Standards
- Tree Protection





Sustainable Code Amendments

- Outdoor Lighting (Michaela Oktay)
- Recycling & Construction Waste (Ana Valdemoros)
- Transportation Demand Management (Nick Britton)
- Housing Diversity (Elizabeth Reining)
- Accessory Dwelling Units (Michael Maloy)

Outdoor Lighting

General Purpose:

- Permit reasonable use of lighting for safety, utility, security, enjoyment and commerce.
- Minimize light pollution: glare, light trespass and sky glow.
- 3. Conserve energy and natural resources.





Outdoor Lighting

Proposed Regulations:

- 1. All lighting shall be directed properly to reduce glare, light trespass and not cause a nuisance.
- 2. All new developments have lighting "budget."
- Lighting budgets include all basic site lighting (parking lots, security lighting, entrance lights, etc.)
- 4. Lighting controls shall be used for auto shut-off during daylight and 50% auto reduction of lighting after close of business activity.

Recycling & Construction Waste

Purpose

- Better manage and extend the life of SLC landfill by encouraging recycling and waste reduction practices that will reduce the amount of materials entering the landfill;
- Minimize the impact of waste on the natural environment by reducing pollutants, greenhouse gases (notably methane), and chemicals;
- Reduce municipal expenditures and save taxpayer dollars through more efficient and reduced refuse collection services.

Recycling & Construction Waste

Proposed Regulations:

- Require new developments to add indoor or outdoor recycling service areas.
- 2. Require centralized recycling, refuse and composting stations in new residential subdivisions.
- 3. Allow the conversion of parking spaces to accommodate a recycling/refuse collection area.
- Require a waste management plan for new construction and demolitions





Transportation Demand Management (TDM)

- Regulations designed to influence travel decisions
 - Lessen time spent driving and number of trips
 - Reducing peak-period traffic
 - Alternative travel modes
- Results
 - Decreased pollution
 - Decreased traffic, congestion
 - Decreased infrastructure costs
 - Improved health



TDM: Standard Regulations

Most new or expansion to existing development

- Expanded alternative parking regulations: shared parking, valet parking, etc. No planning process required for most alternative parking.
- Expanded car pool regulations.
- Expanded bicycle parking standards and new facility requirements (showers, lockers, long-term storage).







TDM: Large Developments

- Only for large employers, residential complexes, or institutions
 - Pre-application meeting required
 - Submission of traffic study
 - Must pick TDM strategies from list that will reduce the vehicle trips generated by 25%
 - Examples: Improved transit stop; on-premise daycare/ restaurant, gym; parking cash out, transit passes, staggered work hours
 - Follow-up: annual performance letter, three-year assessment with traffic study

TDM: Parking Requirements

- Reduced parking requirements for affordable, senior, assisted living complexes
- On-street parking would be allowed in all districts
- Maximum parking for all districts
 - Single- and two-family uses exempted
 - Stricter downtown, Gateway parking maximums
 - For most districts, 125% of the minimum

Housing Diversity

Provide multiple housing types within a community

Promote housing choices for entire community



Purpose of Proposed Changes

- Implements City goals and objectives
- Promotes a more diverse community
- Encourages distribution of housing options throughout the community
- Encourages multi-family developments with a variety of units
- Encourages affordable housing
- Increases home ownership opportunities

Proposed Changes

- Large Developments
 - 2 or more housing types per development
- Large Multi Family Developments
 - 50% must vary in size/have different number of bedrooms





Affordable Housing



- Provide incentives to private developers
 Density bonus
- At least 10% of units must be affordable

Accessory Dwelling Units



Definition

An accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is a residential unit that is located on the same lot as a single-family dwelling unit, and is either:

- Internal to a single family dwelling—such as in an attic or basement; or
- Attached to a single family dwelling—such as in an addition;
- Detached structure—such as in a garage; or
- □ Separate structure—such as a cottage.

The accessory dwelling unit must be a complete housekeeping unit with a separate kitchen, sleeping area, closet space, bathroom facilities, and a shared or separate entrance.

Accessory Dwelling Units

Regulation Purposes

- Help build diverse housing stock
- Allow changing families an option
- Use existing lots, structures, and infrastructure
- Provide homes near jobs, transit, and activity areas, which reduces vehicle use
- Save energy and resources

Accessory Dwelling Units

Regulation Proposal

- Property must be owner occupied
- One ADU per lot (not applicable to condominiums)
- Maximum size is 50% of main home or 650 square feet—whichever is less
- Development standards of underlying zoning district (i.e. setbacks, height, lot coverage, etc.) and building codes apply
- Historic Preservation regulations apply
- One additional on-site parking space required, which may include tandem parking, unless on-street parking is adequate.
- New entrances must face side or rear of lot
- ADUs must be licensed with Salt Lake City

Next Steps

- Continue to meet with community groups and councils
- Meet with City advisory boards
- Conduct Community Open House
- Planning Commission- public hearing
- City Council- public hearing and decision
- Implementation

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