



Municipality of Anchorage

Planning Department
Long-Range Planning Division

Memorandum



Date: February 18, 2020

Subject: PZC Case No. 2020-0043 – Spenard Corridor Plan, January 2020 Public Hearing Draft

The Planning Department is seeking comment on the Public Hearing Draft of the *Spenard Corridor Plan*, dated January 2020. The plan document is on the project website at the link below.

<http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/Pages/Spenard-Corridor-Plan.aspx>

The *Spenard Corridor Plan* represents a collaborative effort of Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) and the Planning Department's Long-Range Planning Division. This Plan, which covers the entirety of Spenard Road and adjacent land area, is Anchorage's first to link land use, transportation, and design with a focus on transit-oriented development. The public hearing draft culminates over two years of development and review with stakeholder input and direction from the AMATS Technical Advisory Committee. This Plan replaces and builds on the 1986 *Spenard Commercial District Development Strategy* and reflects land use designations, implementation actions, and strategies from the *Anchorage 2040 Land Use Plan*. The Plan presents a long-term community vision and guides growth for the Spenard Corridor. It identifies policies, investment strategies, design objectives, and implementation actions that support and sustain a strong relationship between land use and all modes of transportation.

AMATS and the Planning Department would like to hear your comments and recommendations on this Public Hearing Draft. This is the first of two opportunities to comment on this Plan. The Planning and Zoning Commission Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers of the Z. J. Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage.

Recommendations and findings from the Planning and Zoning Commission review will be forwarded to the Assembly, which will hold its own public hearing ahead of final action to adopt the Plan as an element of the Comprehensive Plan.

For written comments to be included in the packet for the Commission before the April 13 meeting, please comment by March 23, 2020. Comments received after March 23 will be distributed to the PZC in a separate packet the day of the meeting. Comments may be submitted in the following ways:

By mail: Long-Range Planning Division
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P. O. Box 196650
Anchorage, AK 99519-6650

By fax: 907-343-7927

By testimony in person: Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on April 13, 2020

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