



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 8, 2017

MEDIA CONTACTS

Kellie Stickney
Communications Manager
kstickney@bainbridgewa.gov
206.780.3741 (office)
206.786.2342 (cell)

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Bainbridge Island, Wash., (March, 2017) At their regular meeting on February 28, the Bainbridge Island City Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 2017-01 and 2017-02 formally adopting the Comprehensive Plan Update.

The adopted Comprehensive Plan can be viewed on the City's [Navigate Bainbridge website](#). Completing the Comprehensive Plan Update involved over fifty public meetings and extensive public participation over the last two years. Thousands of comments were accepted from hundreds of community members both in-writing and at public meetings.

City Manager Doug Schulze stated that, "The updated Comprehensive Plan reflects the vision of the many residents that participated in the process. The depth and breadth of involvement resulted in a plan that better incorporates community values, such as climate change mitigation and adaptation."

According to Director of Planning and Community Development Gary Christensen, "The updated 2016 Comprehensive Plan acknowledges the island's unique character and landscape, describes its history and present conditions, and establishes a vision for its future. It is a community inspired plan that is based on guiding principles, goals, and policies that embrace islander's values, and promotes environmental stewardship and sustainability."

The Department of Planning and Community Development will now focus on implementation of the updated Comprehensive Plan. The City Council will receive a briefing on the workplan for implementing actions at their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 21 scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. For more information on the update process, or to see future implementing actions, visit the [Navigate Bainbridge](#) page on the City website.

###