



# PAMC RE- ENVISIONING OPEN HOUSE

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# Open House Agenda

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- ❖ Background on PAMC audit and re-envisioning project
- ❖ Overview of public input stage and purpose
- ❖ Polling questions
- ❖ Questions/comments

# Audit & Re-Envisioning Project Background



# What is the audit/re-envisioning project?

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- ❖ Adoption of City's ordinances began in June 1890
- ❖ PAMC now includes 241 chapters divided among 17 titles
- ❖ Review of the PAMC has been noted many times over past 15 years
- ❖ In 2019, City was facing 10+ major code amendments
- ❖ Identified as part of the City's 2019-2020 Strategic Plan
- ❖ Updated, workable code key to efficient/effective government
- ❖ Separate from, but related to, update to land use/development codes

# What are we trying to accomplish?

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- ❖ Updating the *form* of the PAMC (the “look and feel” of the code):
  - Internal consistency and uniformity (definitions, interpretation, and syntax)
  - Organization
  - User friendliness (Council, Administration, staff, customers, residents, etc.)
  - Reduce tentacles
- ❖ Updating the *substance* of the PAMC:
  - Focus on public health, equity, community safety
  - Compliance and/or conflicts with state and federal law
  - Eliminate outdated and unnecessary provisions
  - Focus on code enforcement/compliance provisions
  - Identifying gaps

# How are the amendments being prioritized?

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- Fee Schedule and related provisions in Title 3\*
- Code Enforcement (including updates to penalties) and Titles 1 and 8
- Regulating short term rentals (can be added as a new chapter in Title 5 or incorporated into the development code as part of Maker's work)
- Updating business license provisions and/or transitioning to a general business license approach and Title 5
- Updating criminal code (Title 9)
- Updating code relating to boards and commissions
- Adopting/updating special event code (can be added as a new chapter in Title 5)
- Title 11 - Streets and Sidewalks
- Title 12 - Public Places
- Title 10 - Vehicles and Traffic
- Title 13 - Utilities
- Title 7 - Animals
- Title 2 (may include some overlap with Maker's work)
- Remainder of Title 3 - Revenue and Finance
- Title 4 - Public Corporations
- Titles 15 and 18 (to be coordinated with Maker's work)\*\*

# What has been done so far?

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- ❖ Phase 1 kick-off in September 2020
- ❖ Phase 1 final audit report delivered to Council in January 2021
- ❖ Phase 2 kick-off February 2021
- ❖ Staff input and Council survey February-March 2021
- ❖ Council discussion March 2, 2021
- ❖ Update on recommendations May 18, 2021
- ❖ Phase 2 report with recommendations and public summary of Phase 1 audit end of May 2021
- ❖ Phase 3 kick-off June 2021
- ➔ ❖ Open House July 13, 2021

# What is the PAMC?

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**PREFACE**

This Code constitutes a republication of the general and permanent ordinances of the Port Angeles, Washington.

Source materials used in the preparation of the Code were the base Code. The source of each section is included in the history note appearing in parentheses at the end thereof. By use of the comparative table appearing in the back of this Code, the reader can locate any section Code, as supplemented, and any subsequent ordinance included herein.

**Page Numbering System**

The page numbering system used in this Code is a prefix system. The letters to the left of the colon are an abbreviation which represents a certain portion of the volume. The number to the right of the colon represents the number of the page in that portion. In the case of a chapter of the Code, the number to the left of the colon indicates the number of the chapter. In the case of an appendix to the Code, the letter immediately to the left of the colon indicates the letter of the appendix. The following are typical parts of codes of ordinances, which may or may not appear in this Code at this time, and their corresponding prefixes:

- ▶ Title 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS
- ▶ Title 2 - ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL
- ▶ Title 3 - REVENUE AND FINANCE
- ▶ Title 4 - PUBLIC CORPORATIONS
- ▶ Title 5 - BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS
- ▶ Title 7 - ANIMALS
- ▶ Title 8 - HEALTH AND SANITATION
- ▶ Title 9 - PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND SAFETY
- ▶ Title 10 - VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC
- ▶ Title 11 - STREETS AND SIDEWALKS
- ▶ Title 12 - PUBLIC PLACES
- ▶ Title 13 - PUBLIC UTILITIES
- ▶ Title 14 - BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION
- ▶ Title 15 - ENVIRONMENT
- ▶ Title 16 - SUBDIVISIONS
- ▶ Title 17 - ZONING
- ▶ Title 18 - GROWTH MANAGEMENT

# Public Input



# Why should I provide input and how will it be used?

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- ❖ Help shape the PAMC for years to come
- ❖ Opportunity to raise concerns that may not already be addressed in the PAMC or may not be on the City's radar
- ❖ Voice your opinion on policy matters to be decided on by the Council
- ❖ The City Council will make the ultimate decision, guided by the feedback submitted by the area's residents, business community, and other stakeholders

# But please remember...

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- ❖ Port Angeles is home to over 20k residents and hundreds of businesses, all with differing opinions and points of view
- ❖ Questions asked and feedback being solicited may not align with the Council's priorities
- ❖ City is dedicated to ensuring any modifications to the PAMC reflect the needs and interests of Port Angeles and its citizens as a whole, not any particular person
- ❖ Not everything is changing. Some amendments will merely be stylistic to address the user-friendliness of the code.



Polling Time!



Next Steps

# Project Timeline - Phase 3

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- ❖ One-on-one meetings with council **June/July**
- ❖ Open House **mid-July**
- ❖ Complete surveys by **August 6, 2021**
- ❖ Council workshop on code enforcement in **August/September**
- ❖ Address amendments to fee schedule, code enforcement, and Titles 1 and 8 **late-summer/early fall**
- ❖ Rollout remaining chapters/titles as ready
- ❖ Quarterly check-ins with Council
- ❖ Final clean-up to address conflicts resulting from the code update

# How can you get involved?

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- ❖ Attend Public Open House
- ❖ Review information about the project online at <https://www.cityofpa.us/1058/Envisioning-Port-Angeles-Municipal-Code->
- ❖ Fill out resident/business owner survey online at the link above or pick up and submit hard copy at City Hall or the Senior Center from July 13<sup>th</sup> through August 6<sup>th</sup>
  - ❖ Return hard copy surveys by August 6<sup>th</sup> to the utility drop box at City Hall or by mail to 321 E. 5th Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362
- ❖ Attend special Council workshops. Topics may include code enforcement, business licensing, short term rentals, animals, public places, and special events
- ❖ Submit written feedback to [cityclerk@cityofpa.us](mailto:cityclerk@cityofpa.us) or City of Port Angeles, Attn: City Clerk, 321 E. 5th Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362



# Questions?

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