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REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT CODE AMENDMENT PACKAGE 8 (RICAP 8)

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Regulatory Improvement Code Amendment Package 8

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Urban Forestry Commission
Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Planning and Sustainability Commission
Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 12:30 p.m.

1900 SW 4th Avenue, Second Floor, Room 2500A

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Urban Forestry Commission and Planning and Sustainability Commission Hearings on: Regulatory Improvement Code Amendment Package 8 (RICAP 8)

Why am I receiving this notice?

You are receiving this notice because you have expressed interest in being notified of Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) or Urban Forestry projects, you provided comments on the *RICAP 8 Discussion Draft*, or you are a member of a neighborhood or business association.

What is RICAP?

Regulatory Improvement Code Amendment Packages provide an ongoing and rapid vehicle for technical and minor policy amendments to land use regulations; this ensures they are clear and do not hinder desirable development. The *RICAP 8 Proposed Draft* report addresses 51 items: 27 propose amendments to the Zoning Code, 17 propose amendments to the Tree Code, and 7 do not propose any amendments. Amendments address minor changes to regulations around land divisions, property line adjustments and tree preservation. Items include reducing the ability to create lot lines in land divisions and property line adjustments that are not straight, clarifying how tree protection requirements apply when a portion of the root protection zone extends onto an adjacent property or right-of-way, and increasing the allowable fine for unlawful damage or removal of a Heritage Tree on private property. A complete list of the items and summary of the proposed amendments can be found on the project website: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/ricap.

How can I review this proposal?

Get a copy of the Proposed Draft. The *Regulatory Improvement Code Amendment Package 8, Proposed Draft* will be available the week of November 7 on the project website (www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/ricap). You can also pick up a copy at the BPS office at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, 7th Floor, or request a copy be mailed to you by calling 503-823-7700.

How can I provide testimony about this proposal?

Testimony related to *Title 33: Planning and Zoning* (Item #s 1-33) should be addressed to the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC). Testimony related to *Title 11: Trees* (Item #s 34-51) can be addressed to the Urban Forestry Commission, the PSC or both.

December 7 at 5:00 p.m.

Testify at the Urban Forestry Commission. A public hearing on proposed changes to *Title 11: Trees* will be held at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, Room 2500A (at SW 4th Avenue and Hall Street, second floor). Check the agenda on the Commission website one week before the hearing to make sure this item is still scheduled. Send written testimony to the Urban Forestry Commission, 10910 N Denver Ave., Portland, OR 97217; or send an email to brian.landoe@portlandoregon.gov with "RICAP8" in the subject line. Written testimony must be received by the time of the hearing and must include your name and address.

December 13 at 12:30 p.m.

Testify at the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC). A public hearing on all proposed changes in RICAP 8 will be held at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, Room 2500A (at SW 4th Avenue and Hall Street, second floor). Please check the Commission website a week before the hearing for the scheduled time of this agenda item. Send written testimony to the PSC at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, Suite 7100, Portland, OR 97201; or send an email to psc@portlandoregon.gov with "RICAP8" in the subject line. Written testimony must be received by the time of the hearing and must include your name and address.

What happens next?

After the Planning and Sustainability Commission and Urban Forestry Commission hold hearings, each commission will discuss the proposal and forward separate recommendations to City Council. The *Recommended Draft* will be published at least 14 days prior to the City Council hearing. Council will consider the Commissions' recommendations and hold a public hearing before final adoption.

For more information, contact Kathryn Hartinger, city planner, at the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, 503-823-9714 or kathryn.hartinger@portlandoregon.gov or visit the project website: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/ricap.