



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve Consolidation of City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element (CPC Recommendation: Approved - 8 Ayes and 0 Nays)

Approval of this resolution will adopt the City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element as an element of the City Master Plan.

This document replaces four Area Plans: South Area Plan (1990), Central Area Plan (1992), West Area Plan (1995), and Northeast Area Plan (2006), with a single master plan document that can be updated more frequently.

The Plan includes chapters on Natural Systems, Land Use, Lower Town, the Central Area, University of Michigan North Campus property, and West Stadium Boulevard. The Plan also includes design guidelines and site specific recommendations. The Plan will provide staff, Planning Commission and City Council with a guide for making land use decisions in a format which will facilitate regular updates.

The Planning Commission held duly-noticed public hearings on May 5, 2009 and October 6, 2009. The City Planning Commission, at its meeting of October 6, 2009, adopted the City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element and recommended Council adoption of this plan.

Hard copies of the City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element were distributed to Council in May, 2009.

Attachments: 10/6/09 Planning Commission Minutes, Planning Staff Report

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Whereas, The City Planning Commission and City Council are authorized by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (P.A. 33 of 2008, as amended), to make and adopt a master plan for the City;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element will serve as a guide for decisions and recommendations regarding the physical development of the City and for the implementation of related plans, policies and programs;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element includes maps, appendices, descriptive and other matter contained therein as required by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (P.A. 33 of 2008, as amended);

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element will replace four area plans: South Area Plan (1990), Central Area Plan (1992), West Area Plan (1995), and Northeast Area Plan (2006), with one comprehensive land use plan which will facilitate regular updates;

Whereas, The City Planning Commission held duly noticed public hearings on May 5, 2009 and October 6, 2009, to gather input regarding the City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element; and;

Whereas, The City Planning Commission adopted the City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element on October 6, 2009;

RESOLVED, That City Council hereby adopts the City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: Land Use Element, now on file with the City Clerk as an element of the City Master Plan.