

City of Renton Planning Commission

Docket Item 07-01
Height Requirement for Utilities

Revised Recommendation,
January 2008

The Request

- Docket request to evaluate the height requirements for water system facilities

Background

- City's new water tower in the Highlands required a variance for approval
- City Hearing Examiner requested a code amendment be processed to provide new standard

Water Utility Recommendation

- Allow additional height for water towers
- Publicly owner water system structure to be increased up to 175 feet

Planning Commission Comments from December

- Evaluate graphic treatment of towers













Design Standards section

- Add language to Section 4-2-110A
- Specific language needs to be reviewed by staff
- Public utility facilities exceeding 30 feet in height shall be treated with public art depicting landscaping incorporating a typical Pacific Northwest pastoral scene. Such public art may be eligible for 1% for art funding and shall be reviewed by the Renton Art Commission.

Comprehensive Plan Compliance

- Objective LU-R

- Locate and plan to benefit potential public uses

- Policy LU-79

- Guide and modify development of essential public facilities to meet Comp Plan policies and mitigate impacts and costs to the City

Next Steps

- Recommendation
- City Council Review