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Planning Commission Recommends Shoreline Master Plan

MOUNTLAKE TERRACE—A new Shoreline Master Program was recommended by the Planning Commission after a public hearing on December 12. The Shoreline Master Program goes next to the City Council for a work/study session on December 15 followed by a public hearing on December 19. Both meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Interim City Hall Council Chambers located on the second floor of the Redstone Building at 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220.

The draft shoreline plan being reviewed is for the 200-foot or so area around Lake Ballinger and within Mountlake Terrace. The draft plan adds greater protection for Ballinger Island, located in Lake Ballinger. The island is owned by the city and is uninhabited except for wildlife. In the recent past, a human-caused fire burned much of it.

The draft plan recognizes the existing uses around Lake Ballinger and provides for them to continue. Existing uses are mainly for recreation, park, open space, and single-family residential.

Cities in King and Snohomish counties must update or replace their shoreline plans by the end of the year under state law. Mountlake Terrace last updated its shoreline plan in 1993.

Once the City Council approves the shoreline plan update, it can be sent to the State Department of Ecology for final review and adoption.

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