Submitting Amendments

1. The chair of each working group should submit a group of in scope amendments to Commissioner Thompson no later than 9:00 AM October 28.
2. Individual Commissioners should submit all amendments to Commissioner Thompson no later than 9:00 AM November 4.

Debating Amendments

1. Users should propose amendments by providing a general intent to staff
2. If an amendment has been moved and seconded, the language of the intent can be amended by a majority vote of the commission
3. A motion can also include suggested language for the Draft LDC, but it is not required.
4. A motion can also include specific zoning changes and map addresses, but it is not required.
5. The commission can agree to add or drop the suggested language or map addresses of an amendment, but we will not edit the language from the dias. The language must be either adopted or rejected in whole.

Amendment Process

Amendments from Working Groups

1. Working groups amendments will be considered in the following order although this order can be changed at the chair’s discretion
   a. Affordability
   b. Transition
   c. Residential
   d. Non-Residential
   e. Downtown
   f. Process
2. The chair of each working group can submit motions for a set of amendments to the LDC Draft with a second.
3. Any commissioner can add, substitute, or strike from the base motion with agreement of the majority of the commission.
4. A majority of those present can vote to split a motion into smaller parts.
5. When the Chair of the Working Group has finished submitting motions any other member of the working group can submit motions within the scope of the working group.
6. Base motions within scope of a Work Group by Commissioners not part of the Work Group will be handled in the Round Robin section.

Amendments from Commissioners

1. The chair will call on Commissioners in to propose amendments to the LDC draft.
2. If the motion gains a second, it belongs to the commission.
3. Any commissioner can add, substitute, or strike from the base motion with agreement of the majority of the commission.
4. A substitute or amended motion that falls within the same scope of the original motion, even if the opposite in effect, will count as the turn of the original motion maker and not the amender.
(For example, if commissioner A proposes to double the height of MU4 and commissioner B substitutes an amendment to cut the height in half, the amendment still deals with height of MU4 and will count as commissioner A’s round robin turn).

5. The chair can determine if changes to the motion go beyond the scope of the original motion and should therefore be considered as a new motion and not allowed as amendments. His decision can be appealed with a vote of 2/3 of those present.

6. If the main motion fails to get a second the commissioner can offer another motion on the same turn.

7. If the main motion fails on a final vote, the commissioner’s turn at submitting amendments for that round is over.

8. If a motion fails, the chair should encourage other commissioners to offer similar amendments at that time.

9. If a commissioner does not offer an amendment on a round, she does not forfeit her right to participate in future rounds, but cannot claim a missed turn in a later round.

10. Rounds will continue until the commissioners agree by a vote of 2/3 of those present that to end them.

Amendments from the Chair and Process Working Group

1. The final round of amendments will be offered by the Chair with input provided by the Process Working Group.

2. These amendments should be limited in scope to resolving conflicts between amendments, clarification of intent or resolving any newly discovered loopholes.

Final Vote

1. The chair will entertain a motion to approve the Draft LDC as amended either in whole, as map and text separated or by any other division (such as chapter).