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Public Conversation on Downtown Planning

The City of Mount Vernon invites the community to attend a learning and discussion session on March 23rd that will allow attendees to hear and to weigh-in on the next steps of its Downtown and Waterfront Master Plan.

“This is an opportunity for folks to learn more about what has been done in our Downtown,” Development Services Director Chris Phillips said. “And also a chance for people to talk about the things that they would like to see happen, in terms of development and planning.”

In 2008, when the City adopted its Downtown and Waterfront Master Plan, a goal within that plan was for the City to construct a flood wall system to protect the downtown from flooding. That three-phase flood wall construction is projected to be finished by the end of 2017. The City is now turning its attention to envisioning how future development will evolve.

The award-winning planning and design firm, Collins Woerman, has been hired to assist the City in identifying catalyst projects to expedite the plans. Collins Woerman is a company with a reputation for excellence in sustainable architecture, and a portfolio that includes waterfront work for the cities of Bellingham and Everett.

The public meeting will be hosted by the City of Mount Vernon, and facilitated by representatives from Collins Woerman; and will take place at the Skagit Station Community Room (105 E. Kincaid St.) from 2-4pm on Thursday, March 23rd.

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