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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager

From: Marie Jensen, Communications Program Manager
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Date: December 1, 2014

Subject: KIRKLAND 2035 UPDATE #16

RECOMMENDATION:

City Council receives an update on the Kirkland 2035 initiative including:

- Status of plan updates
- Results and feedback from November 10 Open House
- Upcoming activities and scheduled milestones

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

Status of Plans

The City Council passed another milestone with the adoption of the Surface Water Master Plan on November 18. A diagram showing the status of completed and outstanding plans is included as Attachment A. Key plans that remain outstanding include:

- Finalization of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan (PROS) Plan is on hold pending completion of the park impact fee study. Impact fees for parks and transportation are currently under review and are scheduled to be presented to Council during the first quarter of 2015.
- The Transportation Master Plan (TMP) has been before the City Council several times during 2014. The next study session is scheduled for January 20, 2015 with an anticipated final draft available in March or April.
- The 2015-2019 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) update is scheduled for adoption on December 9. The CIP will undergo a comprehensive update in 2015 after all of the master plans that feed projects into the CIP are completed.
- The NE 100th Avenue Corridor Study is scheduled to be presented to the City Council on January 20. Additional public involvement was requested for surrounding neighborhoods.
- The update of the Comprehensive Plan continues with the current focus on Citizen Amendment Requests, update and review of each element of the Comp Plan, completion of the Environmental Impact Statement and and update of Neighborhood Plans. Senior Planning

staff are working with neighborhoods on edits that are based on input received from earlier meetings and that will make them consistent with other adopted master plans. Meetings with neighborhoods will begin again in January 2015 to review proposed changes and will be followed by a second round of meetings to discuss final changes in the spring.

Public Involvement

In our continuing effort to keep the public informed and involved, the City hosted an open house on November 12. One of the key themes of the open house was for participants to "Learn how your voice and vision are creating your City's future." To that end, displays and staff were available for completed plans so that the public could see how their previous involvement translated to plans. Making a greater effort to let people know how their input was used is one of the follow-up items that emerged from a recent survey of past participants. Displays were set up for:

- Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan and the Aquatics, Recreation and Community Center
- Surface Water Master Plan
- Urban Forest Plan
- Capital Improvement Program including major plans and studies (e.g. Neighborhood Safety Program, Park Lane, Juanita Corridor, NE 85th Street and the Intelligent Transportation System, etc).
- Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan

Displays, staff and consultants were also available for the Comprehensive Plan and the Transportation Master Plan. The Comprehensive Plan had stations for the Totem Lake Business District Plan, Citizen Amendment Requests, Neighborhood Plan Updates, Ten-Minute Neighborhoods and the general update of the the various elements within the comp plan.

When participants entered, they were asked if there was any particular topic they were interested in learning about or commenting and then were directed to the appropriate area. Anecdotally, participants were found to be interested in a wide variety of topic areas and some indicated an interest in just learning more about all of the topics. Participants also had the opportunity to share their thoughts in writing regarding selected "What do you think?" questions. A list of questions and comments that were provided is included as Attachment B. An updated series of displays were available that described the scope of each element, possible updates based on public comments received to date and discussion questions. The displays were posted to the K2035 website and are included with this memo as Attachment C.

Approximately 100 individuals attended the open house. Most were asked to complete an evaluation form, however, only a few were received. Of the comment cards that were received, the event was rated very highly with most scores between 4 and 5 on a one to five scale.

Activities and Milestones Planned for 2015

All of the outstanding plans and studies are scheduled to be completed in 2015. The impact fee studies are scheduled to be completed during the first half of 2015. Once the impact fee studies are completed, the PROS Plan will be presented for adoption and the TMP will be presented as a draft to the City Council. Finally, the Comprehensive Plan Update must be adopted by the end of 2015, although a draft plan will be presented to the Planning Commission in June 2015 and shortly thereafter to the City Council. Once the updates are adopted, the City will focus on communicating the results to the community, including how their participation is reflected in the updated plans.

Kirkland 2035: Alignment of Plans with Comprehensive Plan Update

Adapted/Approved In progress/ongoing

City Council Goals Areas

Comprehensive Plan

Community Vision (draft vision for 2035)

Neighborhood Plans (including business districts)

Neighborhood Plan Goals

Land Use Plan									
Comp Plan Sections	Transportation	Parks and Open Spaces	Natural Environment	Economic Development	Housing	Utilities	Human Services	Public Services	Community Character
Long Range Plans	Transportation Master Plan	PROS Plan				Surface Water Master Plan			
Policy and Strategic Plans	Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan		Urban Forestry Management Plan	Special Events Policy		Capital Improvement Program		Capital Improvement Program	Fire Strategic Plan
Tactical Plans	Juanita Drive Corridor Study	Edith Moulton Master Plan		Development Services Study				Regional Fire Authority Study	
	100th Avenue Corridor Plan	Totem Lake Park Master Plan		Totem Lake Action Plan					
				Transfer of Development Rights Study					
Current Projects (from previous plans)	Prop. 1 Implementation 2013 Accountability Report	Prop. 2 Implementation 2013 Accountability Report			Section 8 Non-Discrimination Ordinance			Public Safety Building (Kirkland Justice Center)	
	Cross Kirkland Corridor Interim Trail	Spinney Homestead Park Renovation						Fire Station Consolidation (North End Fire Station Siting)	
	JFK Opportunity Fund (Neighborhood Safety Program/Pilot)	Terrace Park Renovation						City Hall Renovation	
	Bike/Ped Summit (Walk & Roll Safety Fair)	Forbes Lake Park Trail						Watercraft Safety/Boat Noise Ordinance	

“What do you think?” K2035 Open House – November 12, 2014

Q: How can we make the CKC the greenest corridor in America?*

- Make the streams and wetlands along it better.
- Do we really want? I love sun especially when I'm out walking in winter. Too many trees block the sun, the sky, and clouds.
- Deciduous trees can provide shade in summer and let the sun shine in during winter.
- Provide bike-friendly pervious surface.
- Plant fruit trees wherever able.
- Sustainable materials; no motor vehicles allowed.
- Connect it to other trails; Burke-Gilman, Sammamish, etc. Take it all the way to Renton so it can be an alternate commuting route.
- Solar panel pathway.
- Pave the path, plant more and more open space along the way.
- Plant native plants... low water use, attracts native wildlife.
- Pave it.

**Does not include responses provided on the CKC Display Board*

Q: What would make Totem Lake a more successful business district?

- Stop saying it's dead/dying. There are many vibrant businesses there.
- Traffic improvements. Attractive stores such as Target, Lowe's or Home Depot. Put ARC there.
- Better flow of traffic.
- Bike lanes to stores in area that avoid traffic.
- Don't let any more medical facilities be built there. You can't shop easily if you are walking around the doctor, dentist and surgery places.
- Incorporate Kirkland Corridor terminus with park (unknown word) connection to Woodinville tourist area
- Make it mixed use.
- Redevelopment of Totem Lake Mall.
- Freeway access at NE 132nd St.
- Businesses that would attract customers.
- Anchor tenant i.e. Target.
- A complete makeover. Need major retailer anchor tenant. Put the ARC there.

Q: Are there different types or styles of housing that currently exist in Kirkland that should be encouraged?

- Single story housing – for older citizens that still want a yard and single residence.
- Cottage housing; we need more small houses with garden areas around them.

- Smaller more energy efficient homes to create greater sense of connection in communities.
- We need more houses with mother-in-law (ADU) apartments. This can benefit older and younger citizens that don't want to live in an apartment building. It builds community – better than just a bunch of rich people monster houses with only 2 or 3 people living in them.
- We need more Imagine Housing like Francis Village or Velocity. Imagine Housing would like to build a senior housing project; advocate on its behalf!
- Cottage housing.
- Mother-in-law units.
- A"pod"ments
- Tiny houses
- Reference "Unlocking Home", Sightline Institute.
- Zero-lot-line PUD single family.
- Townhouses for low income.

Q: What kind of residence do you see yourself living in 20 years from now?

- Single family, same home.
- Townhouse.
- Condo.
- Condo or apartment.
- Island/farm.
- Small 1 bedroom apartment.
- Beachfront in Hawaii.
- Assisted Living.
- I plan to age in place and stay in the home I already own. Remodel if needed for ongoing related issues/disabilities.
- Hope to be able to stay in small remodeled home and remain connected and active with access to buses, bike, CKC.

Q: How can Kirkland be a more sustainable community?

- More vegetable gardens. More walking. More local buses. More solar energy.
- Solarize Kirkland. The city could be a leader. Provide encouragement/incentives to large commercial properties to use their expanse of roof top to install solar PV and solar heating.
- Change street lights to LED.
- Encourage smaller affordable housing, not just condo and apartments.
- More public transportation. Close off the downtown to thru traffic and make it pedestrian only.
- Sign up for 100% reusable from PSE.
- Have public buildings with PV energy and let citizens invest in it.

Q: What would give Totem Lake a greater "sense of place"?

- Community Center swimming pool.

- Streets designed for people, not just cars.
- The Totem Lake Park improvements and completion of CKC.
- Make auto dealers deliver vehicles inside dealers not in roadway.
- Anchor stores, restaurants.
- ARC Center.
- Waterfront walking and the lake connecting with cafes and places to shop; independent boutiques as well as big box chains.
- Building the aquatic center in this area.
- Putting the ARC there.
- More smaller retail stores, limited advertising, increase park size
- Building the aquatic center in the immediate area.

Q: If traffic gets worse in Kirkland, what changes would you make?

- I'd drive at different times.
- Bike lanes, shuttles.
- Same I already do; ride the bus more, walk and bike when I can, consolidate errands at non-rush-hour times.
- Timing of lights, i.e. 124th.
- Don't build more infrastructure which encourages more pass through traffic.
- Don't widen streets; widen sidewalks, build bike lanes.
- Cut off Bothell Kenmore from using our roads. 😊
- Build a commuter train track going north to at least Bothell.
- Zero parking minimums in multi-family developments along KKC and in transit rich corridors.
- Prioritize peds, bikes, transit.
- Close off downtown to thru traffic, and make a pedestrian mall.
- Get fewer cars and fewer car lanes, more local buses.
- We need light rail, BRT on 405 just doesn't cut it. Nobody will build density along 405. LRT on CKC is only viable option (or at least BRT on CKC).
- Worse? You mean like Bellevue? That's a scary thought!

Q: How should the City better prepare for climate change?

- Plant trees.
- Insulate.
- Try to facilitate financing for single family solar collectors.
- Review landscape irrigation standards for high efficient designs monitoring.
- Review landscape planting standards to reduce "heat island"; more planting = more shade.
- Encourage less pavement and encourage less driving.
- Tell parents to let kids walk to school, don't drive them there.
- Acknowledge that it exists and that we can minimize the impacts if we are proactive.

Q: What incentives should be given to those who build energy efficient structures?

- Tax breaks.

- I think there is a big problem with patting people on the back for making energy efficient structures. They often have extremely poor lighting. Pat them on the back after they actually put in bright lighting and still save energy.
- Power costs should be higher so efficiency improvements are more attractive.
- A carbon tax!

From the CKC Info Area

Q: How can we make the CKC the greenest corridor in America?

- Place groupings of waste bins to encourage accurate disposal of recyclables, general waste, and possibly compostables, too.
- Plant drought-tolerant, native plants in attractive and easy to maintain ways.
- Community gardens along edges
- Occasional seating and rest areas
- 8-10-person bike contraptions that does tours to winery and brewery
- Connect Kingsgate to CKC
- Walk/bike to the wineries
- Water-treating wetlands at Totem Lake
- Recycle water for planting areas
- Place solar-powered compactors in locations that actually get sun.
- Promote native vegetation instead of brown bark/lava rock on business and residential land, which requires frequent herbicide application.
- Connection to work places (Microsoft, Google) from Finn Hill.
- Bike rentals and bike lockers
- Connection by Forbes Creek to Juanita and onward
- Fly over overpass for vehicles over CKC
- Line trail with fruit trees and allow fruit to be picked by neighbors or give to Hopelink
- Solar-powered signals and beacons
- For low-traffic cross street, give priority to trail users. There will be more traffic on the trail than on the street so cars should have a stop sign. 52nd and 12th Avenue.

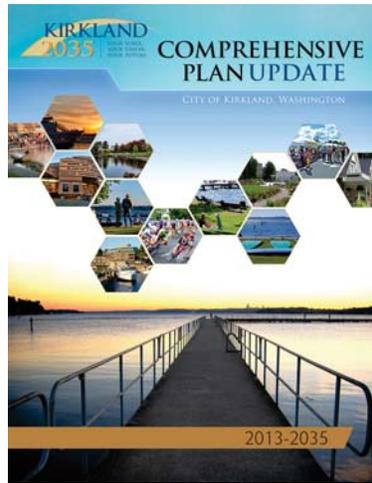
From the Citizen Amendment Requests Area

Rairdon: Return significant trees along 132nd Ave NE (entire site boundary).
Prevent encroachment of development within 160' of northern boundary of study area.

Walen: Concerns about traffic – already very congested along 116th and along Slater.



General Overview of Kirkland's Comprehensive Plan



KIRKLAND'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Serves as guiding policy document to attain the City's vision of the future and plan for expected growth in housing and jobs by the year 2035.

Draft Vision Statement (As of 02/18/2014)

Kirkland 2035

It is one of the most livable cities in America. We are a vibrant, attractive, green and welcoming place to live, work and play. Civic engagement, innovation and diversity are highly valued. We are respectful, fair, and inclusive. We honor our rich heritage while embracing the future. Safe, walkable, bikeable and transit-friendly neighborhoods are connected to each other and to thriving mixed-use activity centers, schools, parks and our scenic waterfront. Convenient transit service provides a viable alternative to driving. Diverse and affordable housing is available throughout the city. Kirkland strives to be a model, sustainable city that values preserving and enhancing our natural environment for our enjoyment and future generations.

Draft Guiding Principles (to replace Framework Goals)

Livable
Quality of Life: safe and well-maintained neighborhoods with convenient access to parks, recreational facilities, the waterfront, community gathering places, excellent schools, and nearby services.
Diverse and Affordable: neighborhoods containing homes and businesses for a variety of incomes, ages and life styles.
Community Design: high quality and attractive architectural design and landscaping, and preservation of historic buildings and sites.

Sustainable
Ecological: natural systems and built structures that protect and enhance habitats, create a healthy environment, address climate change and promote energy efficiency.
Economic: a vibrant economy offering choices in living wage jobs, businesses, services and entertainment throughout the community.
Social: health and human services that fulfill the basic needs of all people without regard to income, age, race, gender or ability.

Connected
Sense of Community: community involvement in government, schools, civic events and volunteer activities creating a sense of belonging through shared values.
Accessible: safe, well-maintained and extensive systems of roads, bicycle routes, pedestrian paths, and transit corridors for all users that interconnect neighborhoods and connect to the region.
Technology: reliable, efficient and complete systems for residents and businesses to be connected, informed and involved.

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VISION STATEMENT & GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Community's collective vision: Desired characteristics to achieve citywide in 20 years.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GENERAL ELEMENTS

Elements define the goals and policies to achieve the Comprehensive Plan vision.

- Capital Facilities
- Community Character
- Economic Development
- Housing
- Human Services
- Land Use
- Natural Environment
- Parks, Recreation & Open Space
- Public Services
- Transportation
- Utilities

SUBAREA PLANS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Plans for each neighborhood or business district with goals and policies important to each area.

Adopted Neighborhood & Subareas Plans

- Bridle Trails
- Central Houghton
- Everest
- Highlands
- Lakeview
- Market
- Market Street Corridor
- Moss Bay (Downtown Plan)
- NE 85th Street
- Norkirk
- North/South Juanita (Juanita Annexation)
- North Rose Hill
- South Rose Hill
- Totem Lake (Business District)

New Neighborhood Plans to be adopted

- Finn Hill
- Kingsgate

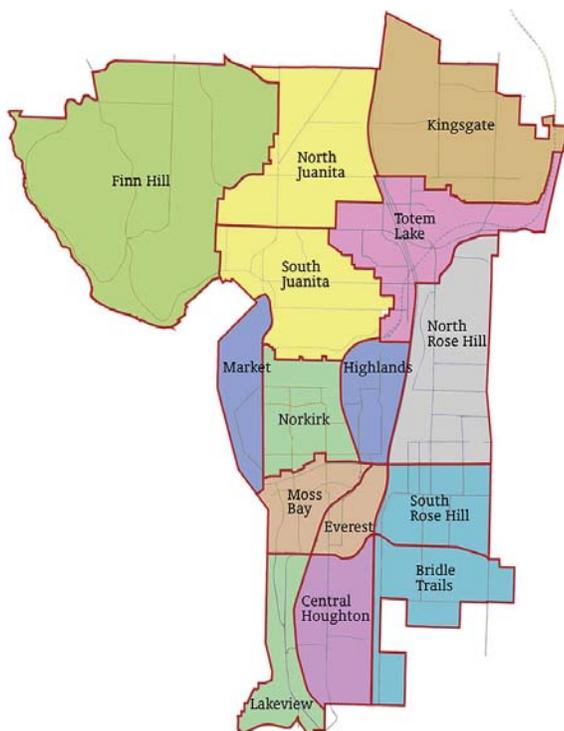
Neighborhood Plan Updates with Comprehensive Plan Update Process

Revisions to Existing Neighborhood Plans

- Incorporate comments **from neighborhood update meetings** into Neighborhood Plans
- **Integrate comments into General Elements** or Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan (PROS Plan), Transportation Master Plan or Surface Water Master Plan
- **Minor clean up** of outdated text and maps such as:
 - Delete or revise text where existing Zoning Code regulations address development standards or properties that have been developed
 - Update factual information and conditions
- **Limited major policy changes**
- **Citizen Amendment Requests** will be evaluated in Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and studied by the Planning Commission with a public hearing in spring 2015

Plans for New Neighborhoods

- **Juanita** (North and South) neighborhood plans will be reorganized and combined into one. Limited policy changes
- **Kingsgate** - Outline the existing conditions in the neighborhood (land use, geological areas, sensitive areas etc) and incorporate public comments
- **Finn Hill** - Neighborhood requested to conduct a major neighborhood plan update in 2015



Process

- **Fall 2014** - Planners attend neighborhood association meetings to present public comments received and discuss proposed revisions to Plans, information about CAR study areas
- **Neighborhood Associations submit comments** back to Planner in 3-4 weeks
- **Winter -Spring 2015** - Draft Plans are reviewed by Planning Commission and then considered as part of public hearing for Comprehensive Plan update

Community Character Element

promotes a sense of community, historic preservation, and maintaining Kirkland's visual identity through a quality built and natural environment

EXISTING POLICIES PROMOTE: NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

- **Kirkland's Sense of Community** to create a strong social fabric with involved citizens, providing places and events where people can gather, promotes public art, civic identity and cultural activities
- **Preservation and enhancement of historic resources**, landmarks, buildings, sites and objects and lists the ones on the National and State Registrar's of Historic Places and designated by the City
- **Accommodate and monitor change** to ensure that Kirkland's policies are proactive in addressing changing needs of the population as the city grows
- **Strengthen Kirkland's Built and Natural Environment** to acknowledge the role the physical environment plays in creating a community, individual neighborhoods, and public spaces. The importance of establishing urban design principles that cover quality design
- **Develop the Cross Kirkland Corridor/ Eastside Rail Corridor** as an opportunity for open space, art, events, and cultural activities
- **Encourage reuse and salvaging architectural features and building materials** from older structures in new development
- **Minor edits** to eliminate redundancy and update text

Kirkland Wednesday Market in Marina Park (Right) and Heritage Hall (Left)

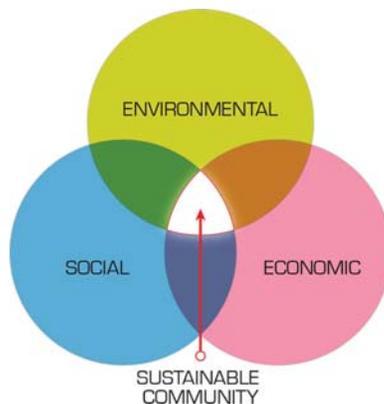


Environment Element

The Environment Element of the Kirkland's Comprehensive Plan encourages a **sustainable community** that protects and manages the natural and built environment, promotes the green economy and addresses **climate change**.

ENVIRONMENT POLICIES STRIVE TO

- Protect the **natural systems** and features
- Manage the natural and built environment to **achieve no net loss of functions and values**
- Protect, enhance and restore vegetation
- Maintain or **improve soils and geologic resources** to minimize risk to life and property
- Improve air quality to **reduce our contribution to climate change**



NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

Strive to become a sustainable community that includes:

- Protect, enhance and **restore vegetation in both the natural and built environment**
- Manage built environment to **reduce waste**, conserve resources and **increase energy efficiency**
- Pursue carbon neutrality to greatly reduce impacts of climate change
- Support and encourage a local food economy that **increases access to healthy locally grown food**



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- How can Kirkland become a more sustainable community?
- How should the City prepare for climate change?
- What incentives should the City offer to those who build energy efficient structures that use renewable energy?

KEY FACTS:

- Kirkland developed one of Washington State's first expedited Green Building Programs in 2009 to encourage the construction of new homes that use less energy, water and promote healthy indoor air quality by using non-toxic materials.
- In 2012, Kirkland created and adopted Green Codes to incentivize citizens to encourage more sustainable development activities and promote Low Impact Development (think rain gardens) to help reduce stormwater flows and improve water quality in Kirkland's streams and Lake Washington.
- Kirkland partnered with Sustainable Works, a non-profit organization in 2014 to help citizens conduct energy audits on existing home and make improvements to reduce the resources needed to operate the homes.



Economic Development Element Encourages A Sustainable and Resilient Economy

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICIES PROMOTE

- A **strong and diverse economy** that provides a long term fiscal sustainability including tax base and jobs
- **Economic growth** while maintaining attractive residential neighborhoods, sustainable environment and built environment
- **Business retention and recruitment** efforts toward businesses that provide living wage jobs, export goods, services, small, startup, locally owned
- **Positive business climate** that provides predictable, fair, responsive and timely regulatory and competitive tax environment
- **Planned housing and employment growth** focused in the Totem Lake Urban Center, Downtown and other mixed use commercial areas
- Kirkland as a **visitor, cultural and entertainment destination**
- **Infrastructure and public facilities** to support economic activity and growth
- **Collaborative regional partnerships** to provide infrastructure systems for utilities, multimodal transportation and telecommunications

NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

- **Encourage small, startup, local enterprises** and businesses that produce locally grown healthy food
- Encourage businesses that produce products and **services that support resource, conservation and environmental stewardship**
- **Develop the Cross Kirkland Corridor** as a catalyst to attract new businesses, housing, and provide a multimodal transportation facility
- Encourage private, public and non-profit sectors to incorporate **environmental and social equity into business practices**
- Work with government agencies and property owners to facilitate **remediation of contaminated sites**
- **Collaborate with schools and businesses** to provide a highly educated and skilled workforce

Assigned growth targets for Kirkland by the year 2031

Additional 22,435 jobs for a total employment of around 61,000 jobs.

KEY FACTS

- **Population:** 82,590 (April, 2014 estimate, Washington State Office of Financial Management)
- **Rank:** thirteenth largest municipality in Washington State; sixth largest in King County (2013)
- **Median household income:** \$86,656 (2012 est.)
- **Total employment:** 30,124 (2012 est.)
- **Kirkland residents who work in Kirkland:** 6,108 (2012 est.)
- **Number of business licenses:** 4,688 (July, 2014)
- **Home business licenses:** 1,972 (July, 2014)
- **Future employment forecasts:** 59,309 jobs (2025); 65,893 jobs (2030) (PSRC)

Housing Element

Aims to Preserve Neighborhood Quality While Improving Housing Opportunities for All Residents

HOUSING POLICIES STRIVE TO

- Maintain and enhance the **unique residential character** of each city neighborhood
- Ensure that Kirkland has a sufficient **quantity and variety of housing** to meet the projected growth and needs of the community
- Promote **affordable and special needs housing** throughout the city for all economic segments of the population

NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

- **Separate policies** for housing variety and supply from policies for affordability and special needs housing
- **Address city's required proportionate share** of countywide housing needs of very low-, low-, and moderate income households

- Support a range of housing options and services to **move homeless persons and families to long-term financial independence**
- Cooperate with regional work to **prevent homelessness**
- Support housing options, programs, and services, including Universal Design, that **allow seniors to stay in their homes or neighborhood**
- Protect **fair and equal access to housing** for all persons and prohibit any activity that results in discrimination in housing



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- What kind of residence do you see yourself living in 20 years from now?
- Are there different types or styles of housing than currently exist in Kirkland that the City should encourage?

KEY FACTS:

Comparing Incomes in Kirkland and Housing Affordability

Income or Affordability Level for a Family of 4 (\$ in 2011)	Percent of Kirkland's Households by Income	Percent of Kirkland's Housing Units Affordable at this Income
Very Low-Income (<30% of median income; or \$21,200)	8%	2%
Low-Income (30%–50% of median; \$21,200 to \$35,300)	8%	4%
Moderate-Income (50%–80% of median; \$35,300 to \$56,500)	14%	16%
Middle-Income (80%–100% median; \$56,600 to \$84,700)	9%	19%
Above Middle-Income (greater than \$84,700)	61%	59%





Land Use Element

ensures that anticipated growth is accommodated in keeping with community values

LAND USE POLICIES PRESERVE OR ESTABLISH LAND USE PATTERNS THAT:

- Plan for 2035 household and employment growth
- Protect the character of the community while responding to changing household needs
- Provide diverse employment opportunities and enhance commercial areas
- **Minimize traffic congestion**
- Protect air quality and reduce CO2 emissions
- Facilitate **efficient and effective transit** and utility service
- Protect natural resources
- Plan for a compact and walkable community
- Protect existing residential neighborhoods by focusing growth in and near commercial areas and transportation hubs

NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

- Consider public health and social connectivity in creating walkable communities
- Factor the Cross Kirkland Corridor into adjoining land uses
- **Revisit role of light industrial** areas that grew up around former rail corridor
- Emphasize the planned mixed use nature of most commercial areas
- Continued emphasis on redevelopment of Totem Lake Urban Center

WHAT'S YOUR OPINION?

- Is it better to spread housing growth out or to concentrate the growth closer to shops, services & transit?
- Would traffic congestion ever cause you to change where you live or where you work? How about future generations?

KEY FACTS

Population Projection:

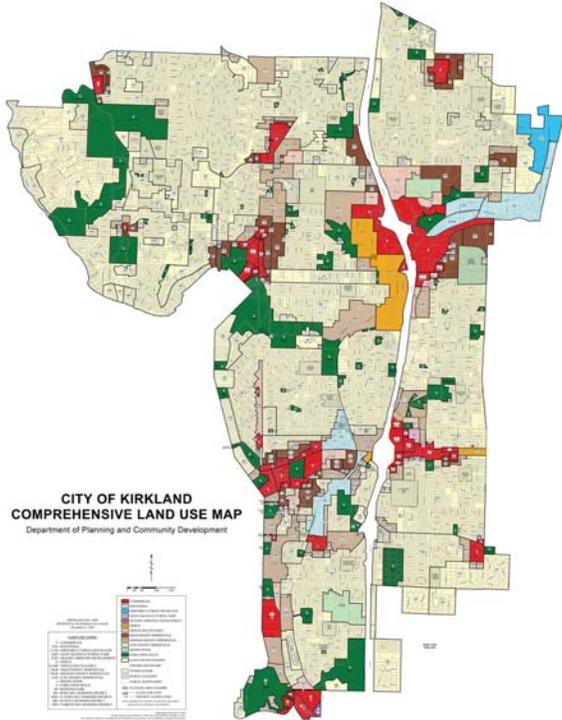
- Current = 81,730
- 2035 = 94,000

Kirkland's 2035 Growth Targets:

Kirkland must plan for:

- 22% more housing units (37,221 existing/8,361 new)
- 70% more jobs (32,000 existing/22,435 new)

Existing Land Use	Percent Land Area
Single family	46%
Right-of-Way	20%
Multifamily	8%
Parks	8%
Vacant	6%
Institutional	5%
Commercial	3%
Office	2%
Industrial	2%
Utilities	.44%
Mixed Use	.20%



Public Services:

Police, Fire Protection, Emergency Medical Response, Emergency Management, Solid Waste and Recycling, Schools and Libraries

PUBLIC SERVICES POLICIES IDENTIFY

- Fire, emergency medical service, solid waste and recycling and school **levels of service standards**
- Strategies facilitating improved **fire and emergency medical response times**
- Coordinated **disaster response** with all levels of government and tribal partners
- Joint activities and facilities **coordination** with neighboring cities, King County, Lake Washington School District and special districts

NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

- **Involving the whole community in emergency management** for readiness, response and recovery for all hazards
- **Closure of the Houghton Solid Waste Transfer Station** in 2021 in coordination with King County Solid Waste Division

- Assess **school impact fees** serving new residential development
- City **coordinate with Lake WA School District** for planning, siting, and developing school facilities
- Commit resources for **underserved populations**
- Ensure access to **people with disabilities**

WHAT DO YOU THINK?



- Are there other public services policies that should be considered in Kirkland?
- What actions should the City's take to strengthen service delivery goals?
- How should we involve citizens in emergency preparedness?
- How should we coordinate with Lake Washington School district on school facilities?
- Should the City ban plastic bags?

KEY FACTS

- *Total fire incident calls in 2013 = 8033*
- *Total fire incident calls in 2012 = 7982*
- *Kirkland has been number 1 in single family residential recycling five out of the last 6 years.*
- *In the last year Kirkland recycled 500 cubic yards of Styrofoam, 38 thousand pounds of electronic waste, and 541 gallons of used motor oil*





Utilities:

Water, Sewer, Surface Water, Natural Gas, Electricity, Telecommunications and Hazardous Liquid Pipelines

UTILITY POLICIES IDENTIFY:

- Environmentally and economically sustainable utility delivery to meet demand
- City and non-City managed levels of service for water, sewer, & surface water
- Educational & regulatory strategies to prevent harmful materials in sewer system
- City initiatives to protect surface water quality **and fish habitat and prevent flooding**
- Private public partnerships to facilitate internet connectivity
- Coordinated development review to reduce risk of hazardous liquid pipeline accident
- Strategies promoting **renewable energy use, conservation, & reduced carbon emissions**

NEW ADDITIONS BASED ON WHAT WE HEARD...

- Provide equal access to utility services
- Screen new utility infrastructure to blend into **surroundings**
- Educate businesses on the proper use of sewer conveyance system
- Encourage water reuse and reclamation
- Implement priorities & needs identified in the City's revised Surface Water Master Plan

- Reflect **undergrounding policies** in telecommunication franchise & right-of-way agreements
- Encourage the consolidation of special districts
- **Energy** goals and policies that:
 - » Promote energy infrastructure that is **efficient, addresses climate change & protects community character**
 - » Encourages Puget Sound Energy to increase **renewable energy use and co-generation**
 - » Utilize regional collaboration to **strengthen energy codes**
 - » Promote small to large scale renewable energy production facilities



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- Are there other sustainable policies that should be encouraged in Kirkland?
- What should the City's be doing to further conservation, efficiency and renewable energy goals?
- How should we locate utilities to be compatible with their surroundings?
- How should we conserve our water resources?

KEY FACTS

- *The City currently owns and maintains 12,439 water meters.*
- *On average, a person uses 40 to 80 gallons of water per day for personal use.*
- *The City currently owns and maintains 1,899 fire hydrants.*
- *A camera on a robotic sled, inspects sewer pipes via close circuit TV*



Totem Lake Plan Supports a Dense and Vital Urban Center

TOTEM LAKE BUSINESS DISTRICT POLICIES PROMOTE

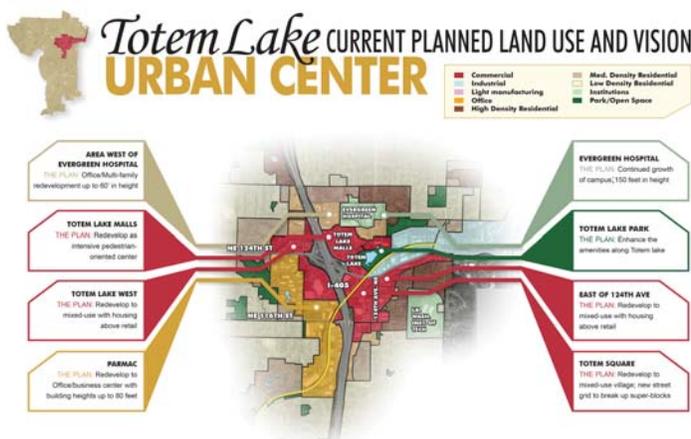
- Continued growth as a community and regional center for employment, housing, health care, retail and vehicle sales, light industrial and office development.
- A vital, intensified Totem Center, including support for an expanded Evergreen Hospital campus, thriving Totem Lake Mall and successful regional transit facility
- Expanded opportunities for mixed use, “village” developments, on both sides of I-405
- Transition from low rise industrial uses to office and business park uses in taller buildings west of I-405 and south of NE 116th Street
- Development incentives (additional building height) where affordable housing is included in development.
- New right-of-ways created through private development to create a street grid within large blocks in mixed use districts.
- Improved Metro and Sound Transit service to and from Totem Lake.
- Incentives to encourage vehicle dealerships in the neighborhood
- An enhanced (natural condition and function) Totem Lake
- A coherent and attractive neighborhood identity, achieved through measures in the public realm such as gateway features and a “circulator” boulevard linking the district’s disparate quadrants, and design guidelines for private development.

WHAT MIGHT CHANGE? ISSUES UNDER DISCUSSION INCLUDE

- Changes to industrial areas - Should there be greater flexibility for industrial expansion? Should residential use be encouraged along the Cross Kirkland Corridor in industrial areas? Should recreational uses be limited?
- Changes to boundaries – Should the Kingsgate Park and Ride be in the Totem Lake Business District? Should the Lake Washington Institute of Technology be in the Urban Center?
- Should commercial uses be allowed east of Slater Avenue?
- Should incentives for residential use be retained?
- How can the neighborhood identity for Totem Lake be strengthened? Where are opportunities for public spaces and pedestrian amenities?

WHAT’S YOUR OPINION?

- What would make Totem Lake a more successful business district?
- What’s missing that might give Totem Lake a “sense of place”?





10 Minute Neighborhoods

A 10 minute neighborhood is a community where residents can walk short distances from home to destinations that meet their daily needs. These walkable communities are comprised of two important characteristics:

- Destinations – places to walk to
- Accessibility – ability to conveniently get to those destinations

INPUTS:

GROCERY STORES

COMMERCIAL

OTHER COMMERCIAL

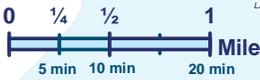
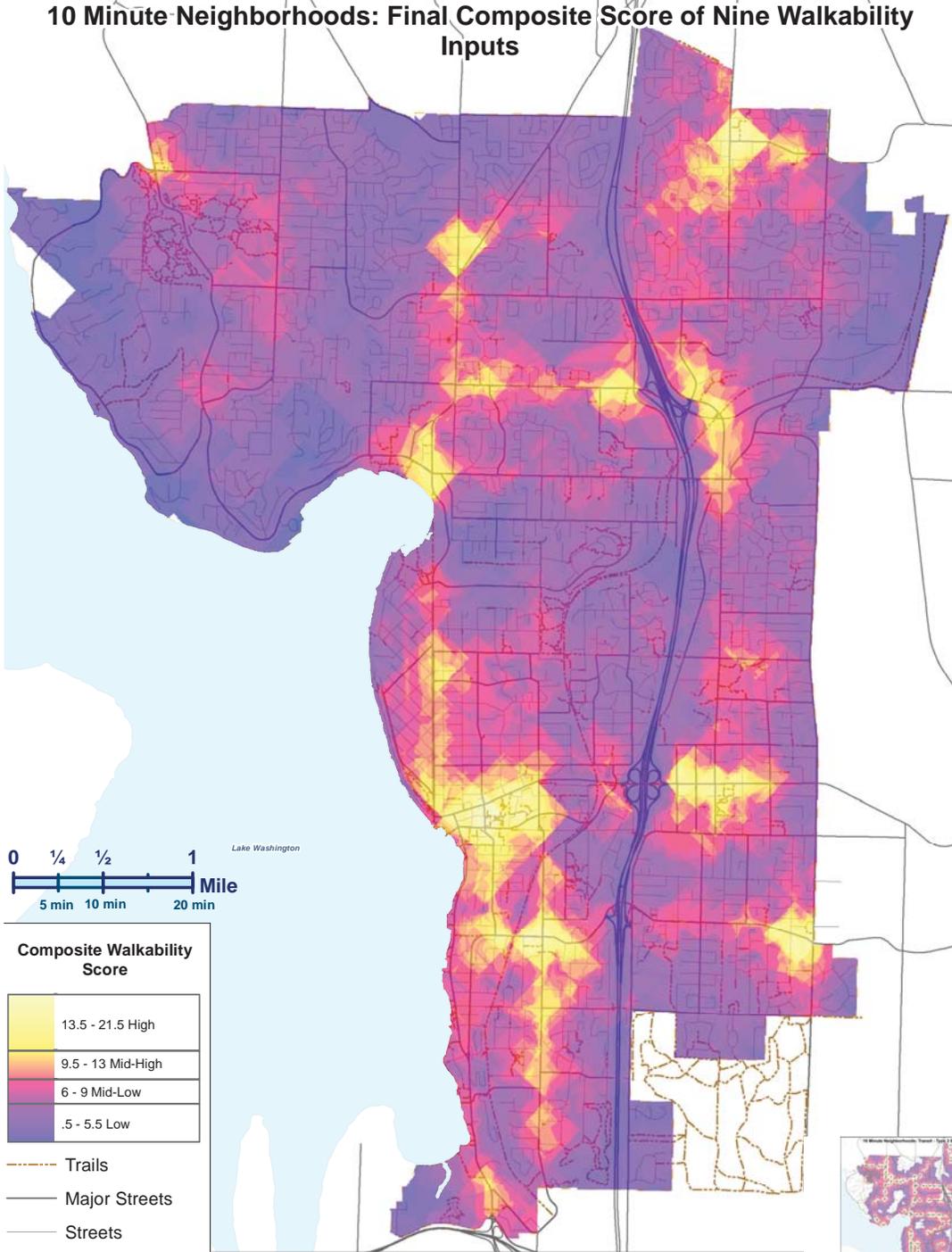
PARKS

SCHOOLS

INTERSECTIONS

SIDEWALKS

10 Minute Neighborhoods: Final Composite Score of Nine Walkability Inputs



Composite Walkability Score

13.5 - 21.5 High
9.5 - 13 Mid-High
6 - 9 Mid-Low
.5 - 5.5 Low

--- Trails

— Major Streets

— Streets

TRANSIT



Surface Water Master Plan

protects and enhances the safety and environment of Kirkland by reducing flooding, improving water quality, maintaining public infrastructure, and protecting and improving fish habitat

The Surface Water Master Plan recommends priorities for the next 10 years of Surface Water Utility Operation based on The 2011 annexation of the Finn Hill Juanita and Kingsgate Neighborhoods, compliance with State and Federal regulations and meeting community’s vision of sustainability.

THE SURFACE WATER MASTER PLAN INCLUDES:

- Description of why surface water management is integral to community health and safety in Kirkland
- Description of current staffing and work program, noting gaps and issues
- Review of current regulations that impact surface water management in Kirkland
- Inventory of streams and water resources and built storm water systems in the City of Kirkland
- Description of proposed new or altered programs and capital projects to meet the utility’s goals, reduce flooding, improve water quality, protect infrastructure, and improve fish habitat

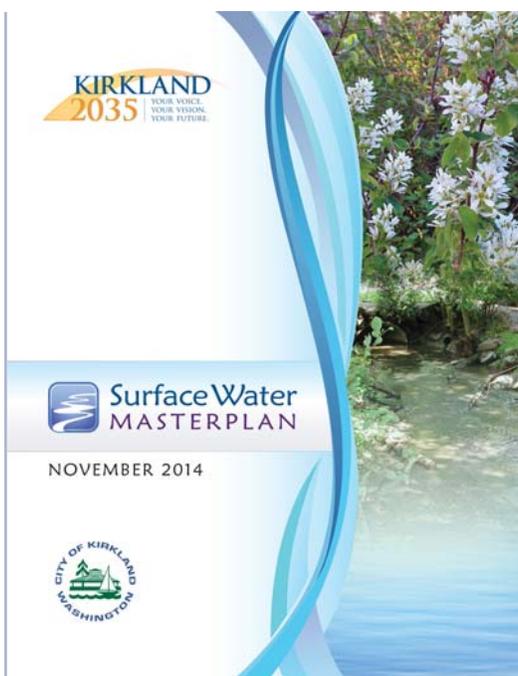
- Recommended priorities and schedule for implementation of programs and projects
- Performance measures for use in tracking implementation of the Surface Water Master Plan and Surface Water Utility operation



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- What is your highest priority surface water goal – flooding, water quality, infrastructure, fish habitat or something else?
- What would make low impact development storm water facilities such as rain gardens in your neighborhood appealing to you?
- What actions are you willing to take to protect water quality in Kirkland?

- Reduce impervious surface on my property
- Wash my car on a grass area or at a commercial car wash
- Pick up and properly dispose of pet waste
- Install a rain garden to filter and slow runoff on my property
- Mark storm drains with the message “dump no waste – drains to stream”
- Remove invasive species and plant native vegetation in streamside areas



Highlights from the Surface Water Master Plan:

Programs:

- Increased management of ditches and TV inspection of pipes
- Adoption of updated surface water design regulations for development and redevelopment projects
- New emphasis on use of low impact development (LID) storm water facilities and techniques

Projects:

- Address flooding, improve water quality by providing treatment for areas of existing development, remove barriers to fish passage in streams that support migratory salmon, replace aging and failing pipes to prevent failures that can lead to flooding, and improve fish habitat conditions by controlling flows, and by rebuilding physical habitat in stream channels



Urban Forestry Strategic Management Plan

Towards a Healthy, Sustainable Urban Forest

Kirkland’s urban forest consists of trees in woodlands, parks, yards, in public spaces and along streets. Trees affect the air and water where we live and the desirability of our neighborhoods and downtown.

Recognizing the value and public benefits of trees, the City developed an Urban Forestry Strategic Management Plan to establish a foundation for well-coordinated, consistent, efficient, and sustainable urban forest management.

Public feedback was sought during the development of this Plan to ensure that the City’s efforts are aligned with the community’s expectations. Some of the key strategies to implement the plan include:

- Inventorying public tree in high-priority parks and rights-of-way.
- Hosting free workshops on the City’s tree codes and permitting procedures.
- Replacing previously-removed right-of-way trees.
- Updating GreenKirklandPartnership’s 20-Year Forest and Natural Area Restoration Plan



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- What do you think a healthy urban forest looks like?

The decisions we make now determine how well or poorly the urban forest functions in the future.



KEY FACTS:

- Kirkland’s tree canopy coverage is assessed at 40%
- There are approximately 30,000 trees located in Kirkland’s rights-of-way
- The Urban Forest Strategic Management Plan was approved by City Council in July, 2013
- In July 2014, the first Annual Report was provided to City Council, outlining progress towards Plan goals.

How Kirkland's Transportation Master Plan Relates to the Comprehensive Plan



Kirkland's Comprehensive Plan

Serves as guiding policy document to attain the City's vision of the future and plan for expected growth in housing and jobs by the year 2035.



20 Year Transportation Master Plan

The City's plan for auto, bicycle, pedestrian and transit systems. The Plan incorporates specialized plans such as the Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan, Juanita Corridor Study and the 100th Avenue Corridor Study.



Capital Facilities Plan

A 20-year list of capital projects that add new transportation and other infrastructure capacity to accommodate expected growth and that reflects all Kirkland 2035 Plans.



Capital Improvement Program

A six-year list of capital projects that have financing and timing identified over the coming six year period.



Capital Projects

Projects under construction such as the Cross Kirkland Corridor Interim Trail, NE 120th Roadway Extension and the NE 85th Street Improvements.