



## CITY OF KIRKLAND

### Planning and Community Development Department

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To Interested Agencies, affected tribes and members of the public:

The City, as lead agency, has prepared the enclosed scoped Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for its City's 2004 Comprehensive Plan 10-Year Update and related Zoning Code and map amendments. In addition, the DEIS assesses potential impacts of two private amendment requests and provides a more detailed analysis for a portion Totem Center in compliance with the provisions of RCW 43.21C.229 (categorical exemption of environmental review for new residential or mixed-use development).

The DEIS addresses the following key elements: natural resources, land use patterns, relationship to plans and policies, population, housing and employment, aesthetics and transportation. The potential impacts on these key elements are analyzed for the City's 2022 household and employment growth targets and land use capacity for property within the City limits.

Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the DEIS and/or the 2004 Comprehensive Plan 10-Year Update. A **30-day comment period** is established for both documents and ends at **5:00 pm on Friday, July 30, 2004**.

Interested parties are encourage to attend the following open house and hearings on the DEIS, Comprehensive Plan and two private amendment requests:

- **Open House on Monday, July 12, 2004, 5:30-8:30pm** in the Peter Kirk Room at Kirkland City Hall, 123-5<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- **Public Hearing** on the Plan Update and the private amendment request before the Planning Commission and Transportation Commission and on the DEIS before the Responsible SEPA Official on **Thursday, July 22, 2004, sometime after 7pm** in the City Council Chambers at Kirkland City Hall.
- **Courtesy Hearing** on the Plan Update only before the Houghton Community Council on **Monday July 19, 2004, sometime after 7pm** in the Peter Kirk Room at Kirkland City Hall.

Written comments on the DEIS and/or the Plan Update may be sent to Teresa Swan, Project Planner, Kirkland Planning Department, 123-5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Kirkland, WA 98033 or by emailing [tswan@ci.kirkland.wa.us](mailto:tswan@ci.kirkland.wa.us).

Following the public comment period, the City will prepare and issue a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) that will include responses to the comments received during the public comment period. The final Comprehensive Plan Update is scheduled to be adopted by the City Council at the end of the year.

If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Swan at 425-828-1263, [tswan@ci.kirkland.wa.us](mailto:tswan@ci.kirkland.wa.us) or myself at 425-828-1247.

Sincerely,  
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