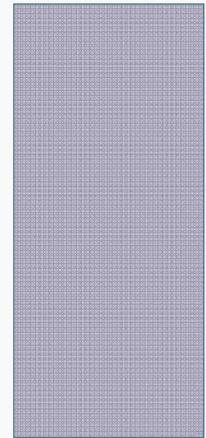




2013 - 2014 COMPREHENSIVE
PLAN UPDATE
COMMUNITY VISIONING FALL 2013



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

- Required by Growth Management Act.
- Look to the future – next 20 years.
- Reflect vision of 31,000 new residents of 2011 annexation.
- Check-in with the community. What kind of community do we want to be?



WHAT IS KIRKLAND'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



- Blue print for the **future**.
- **Goals and policies** for the growth of the city.
- **Guides decisions** on land use, transportation, housing, economic development, & the environment.
- Sets **level of service standards** for public facilities (roads, parks, etc.) and how to pay for them.
- **Zoning & development regulations** must be consistent with Plan.

GMA FRAMEWORK

**State
Growth
Management
Act**

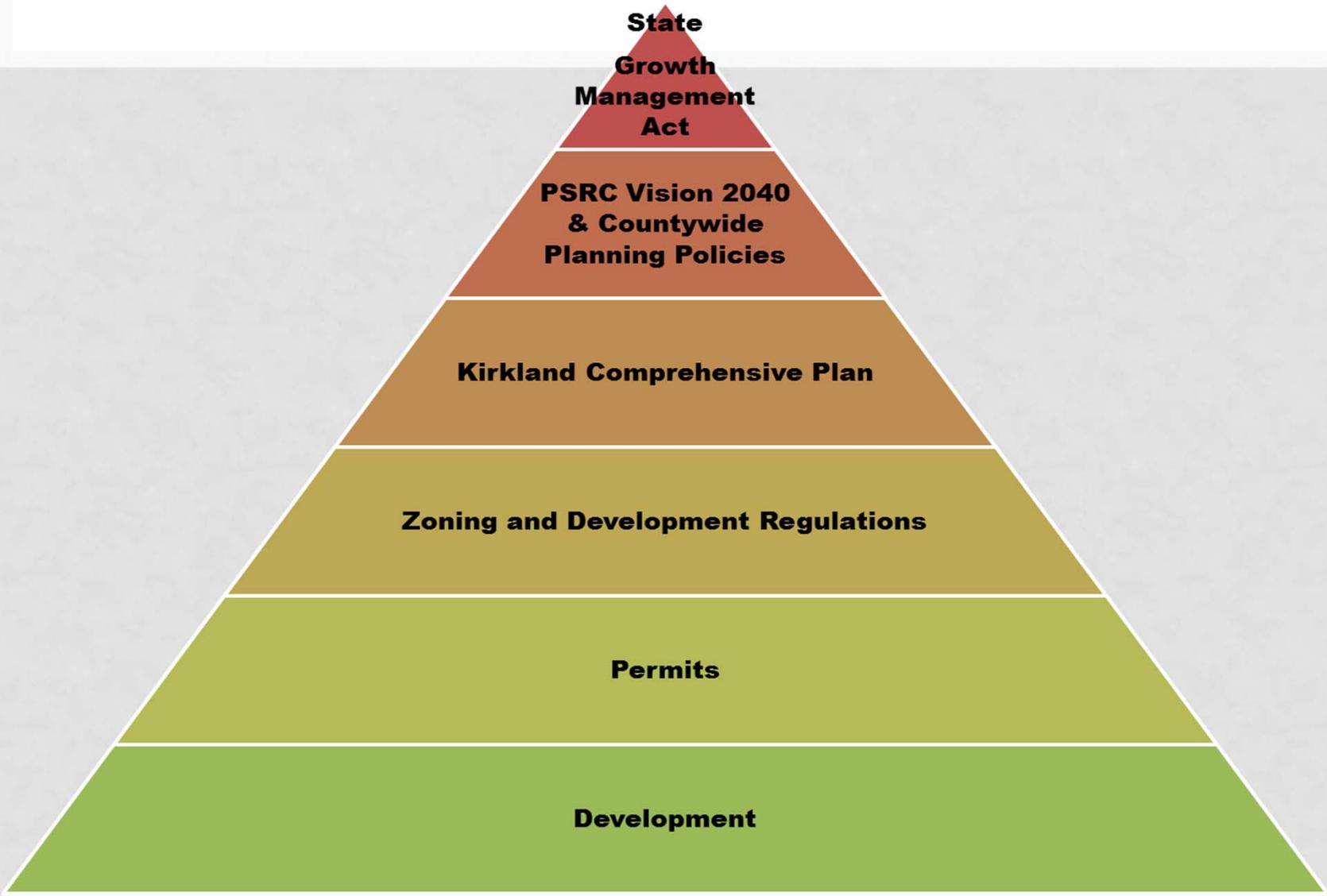
**PSRC Vision 2040
& Countywide
Planning Policies**

Kirkland Comprehensive Plan

Zoning and Development Regulations

Permits

Development





GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT (GMA) REQUIRES COMPREHENSIVE PLANS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH STATE PLANNING GOALS

- Most development to occur in **urban areas** (cities)
- Protect forests, farmlands and natural areas (**discourage sprawl**)
- Provide necessary **public urban services** (sewer, water, stormwater, transportation)
- Promote **economic development**
- Encourage **affordable housing**



GROWTH TARGETS

Now

- **Housing & employment 2013:**
 - 37,221 housing units
 - 32,000 jobs
- **Population 81,730**
(Ranked 13th in state)

Future

- **Housing & employment targets for 2035:**
 - 8,360 housing units
 - 22,430 jobs
- **Population** increase by 13,000 people to 94,000

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

➤ General Elements

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

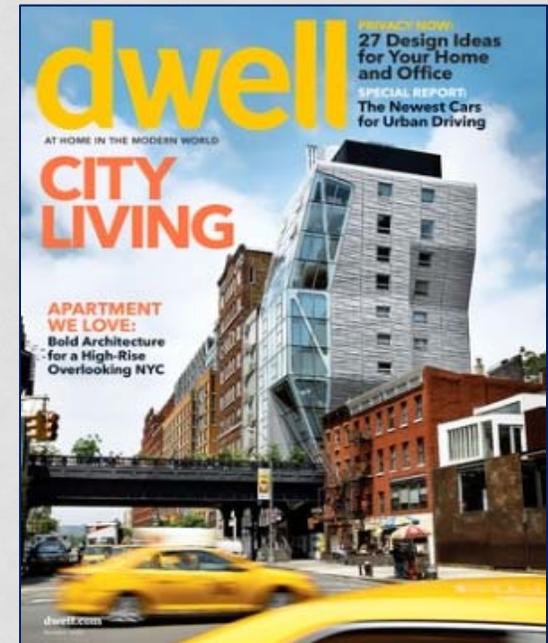
➤ Neighborhood Plans

DEMOGRAPHICS AND TRENDS THAT WILL IMPACT HOW WE PLAN

- **Family changes** – Smaller households – more single households, more single parents.
- **Graying of America** -1 in 4 people will be over 65.
- **XYZ Generations** -
 - Seek employment in exciting places with amenities & services close by;
 - Focus more on sustainability and social equity.
- **Housing demand** – smaller living units, more renters, fewer buyers for traditional single family homes, demand for multi-generational housing.

DEMOGRAPHICS AND TRENDS THAT WILL IMPACT HOW WE PLAN

- Becoming **more urban** – more infill development & increasing density.
- People are **driving less**, car ownership is down.
- **Public health concerns**– increasing costs, higher rates of obesity.
- **Diminishing natural resources** – energy and water will be more expensive.
- **Climate change** – more natural disasters, impact on natural and man made environments.





VISIONING

- What is our community image?
- Where should new growth occur?
- What type of jobs and businesses do we want?
- How will we move from here to there? What are our future transportation options?
- What kind of housing will we plan for?



2013 - 2015 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE GENERAL SCHEDULE

Complete by Spring 2015

Organizational Approach &
Data Collection

- Spring/Summer 2013

Community Visioning

- Fall 2013

Review and Revise Plan
Elements

- Dec. 2013 – Aug 2014

Prepare Draft Plan & EIS for
Review and Final Action

- Fall 2014 -Spring 2015

Community Outreach to occur throughout the process.