

Kingsgate Neighborhood Plan Text and Policy Updates

Highlighted policies (in yellow) are suggested for PC focus at Policy Briefing, April 11, 2024.

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Plan Section: 3. Historical Context				
1	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Ensure the neighborhood name and plan text is inclusive of all community members by exploring opportunities to update existing titles and languages.</u>	<u>Ensure the neighborhood name and plan text is inclusive of all locations of the neighborhood and their community members by exploring opportunities to update existing titles and languages.</u>	<i>Updated to include geographically inclusive language per Working Group comment.</i>
Plan Section: 4. Land Use				
Subsection: Residential				
2	Policy K-1: Generally maintain the planned residential densities.	Policy K-1: Generally maintain the planned residential densities.		<i>Does not align with State requirement. Replaced with updated policies more aligned with Vision 2050 and King County Countywide Planning Policies.</i>
3	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Provide diverse housing opportunities in neighborhood residential areas at all affordability levels.</u>	<u>Provide diverse housing opportunities in neighborhood residential areas at all affordability levels to ensure continued livability for existing residents and future residents.</u>	<i>Expanded for inclusivity.</i> State/Regional/County, Comp Plan, Equity Review

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4	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Incentivize compact housing as infill development, especially within areas that are in close proximity to neighborhood centers which provide daily retail needs and access to transit.</u>	<u>Incentivize a variety of compact and infill development housing, especially within areas that are in close proximity to neighborhood centers which provide daily retail needs and access to transit.</u>		State/Regional/County, Comp Plan
5	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Prioritize the development of affordable housing in transit-accessible locations of the neighborhood to reduce transportation-related emissions and improve access to jobs, services, and amenities for low-income residents.</u>	Prioritize - <u>Enable the development of affordable housing at lower increased levels of affordability in transit-accessible locations of the neighborhood to reduce transportation-related emissions and improve access to jobs, services, and amenities for low-income residents.</u>		State/Regional/County, Comp Plan
6	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Support the acquisition, rehabilitation, and preservation of naturally occurring affordable housing in Kingsgate.</u>	<u>Support the acquisition, rehabilitation, and preservation of the naturally occurring existing affordable housing in Kingsgate.</u>		State/Regional/County, Comp Plan
Subsection: Commercial					
7	Policy K-2: Retain neighborhood oriented commercial services.	<u>Expand and retain neighborhood-oriented commercial services.</u>	<u>Expand and retain neighborhood-oriented commercial services and neighborhood-serving retail options, especially grocery stores.</u>		

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8	Policy K-3: Encourage a mixed use, pedestrian oriented commercial center.	Encourage Promote the development of an adaptable and inclusive mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented commercial center that provides opportunity for gathering spaces, vibrant commercial uses, and housing at various affordability levels.	Encourage Promote the revitalization of the Kingsgate Neighborhood Center into a mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented commercial center environment that provides opportunity for inclusive gathering spaces, vibrant commercial uses, and housing at all affordability levels.	<i>Revised per Working Group comments to emphasize revitalization desire.</i>	State/Regional/County, Comp Plan
9	Policy K-4: Establish design guidelines and design standards for the commercial center.	Establish design guidelines and design standards for the commercial center, including requirements that prioritize urban nature, greenspace, lighting and safety.	Establish design guidelines and design standards for the commercial center, Kingsgate Neighborhood Center, including requirements that prioritize urban nature, community gathering locations, accessibility, lighting and safety.	<i>Expanded to distinguish between urban nature and greenspace, added gathering opportunities and accessibility, both per Working Group comments.</i>	Comp Plan
10	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Amend design guidelines to add emphasis on amenities, social spaces, and other components that make the commercial center a welcoming and inclusive destination.</u>	<i>No change from v.1.</i>		
11	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Implement transportation improvements that support the existing and future planned land uses in the Neighborhood Center and nearby activity centers.</u>	<i>No change from v.1.</i>		Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan

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12	Policy K-5: Provide a gateway feature and streetscape improvements.	Provide a gateway feature and streetscape improvements <u>at one or more entrances to the commercial area.</u>	Provide a <u>neighborhood</u> gateway feature and streetscape improvements at one or more entrances to the commercial area <u>near the Kingsgate Neighborhood Center or northern border of the City and neighborhood.</u>		
Plan Section: 5. Natural Environment					
13	Policy K-6: Protect and enhance wetlands and streams.	Protect and enhance <u>neighborhood wetlands, and streams, and their associated drainage basins.</u>	<i>No change from v.1.</i>		Comp Plan, Sustainability Strategic Plan
14	Policy K-7: Regulate land use and development in or adjacent to geologically hazardous areas.	Policy K-7: Regulate land use and development in or adjacent to geologically hazardous areas.		<i>Removed; covered by general elements (SCE and Land Use)</i>	
15	Policy K-8: Protect existing vegetative corridors along the boundaries of the neighborhood.	Protect <u>and rehabilitate the existing</u> vegetative corridors along the boundaries of the neighborhood.	<i>No change from v.1.</i>		Comp Plan, Sustainability Strategic Plan
16	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Frequently evaluate and monitor neighborhood tree canopy levels to understand and combat urban forestry inequities.</u>	<i>No change from v.1.</i>		

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17	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Invest in green infrastructure projects, such as parks, greenways, urban forests, and green roofs, in underserved areas of the neighborhood to enhance air quality, address tree canopy inequities, and provide recreational opportunities.</u>	<i>No change from v.1.</i>		
Plan Section: 6. Parks and Open Space					
18	Policy K-9: Implement the projects identified in the PROS Plan as funding and City resources become available.	<i>No change from existing policy.</i>	<i>No change from existing policy.</i>		Comp Plan, PROS plan
19	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Prioritize acquisition of new neighborhood parkland in the neighborhood where park level of service is deficient as noted in the Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan.</u>	Prioritize acquisition of establishing new neighborhood parkland <u>park area where the park level of service is deficient as noted in the Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan.</u>	<i>Removal of acquisition term per Working Group comment.</i>	Comp Plan, PROS plan
Plan Section: 7. Transportation					
Subsection: A. Roads		A. Street System			
20	Policy K-10: Install measures to reduce by-pass traffic through the neighborhood.	Install <u>traffic calming</u> measures to reduce by-pass traffic <u>speeds and promote safety throughout</u> through the neighborhood.			Comp Plan

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21 Policy K-11: Make road, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements in surrounding neighborhoods to enhance area wide circulation.	Make road, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements in <u>the neighborhood</u> surrounding neighborhoods to enhance area wide circulation and connection to surrounding neighborhoods.			Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan

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22 <i>No existing policy.</i>	<p><u>Prioritize projects making enhancements to the street network that would result in the following improvements:</u> <i>[narrative text below]</i></p> <p><u>124th Ave NE, north and south of NE 144th St:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Provide additional pedestrian safety improvements, such as pedestrian signage, safety refuge islands, additional crosswalks, and signals, at key locations that serve existing and emerging destinations within the Neighborhood Center.</u> - <u>Prioritize traffic flow for transit by providing queue bypass lanes or signal preemption to encourage transit use.</u> - <u>As the first major intersection within Kirkland City limits/along the northern City limit boarder, coordination between Woodinville and Kirkland jurisdictions should</u> 	<p><u>Prioritize projects making enhancements to the street network that would result in the following improvements:</u> <i>[narrative text below]</i></p> <p><u>124th Ave NE, north and south of NE 144th St:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Provide additional pedestrian safety improvements, such as pedestrian signage, safety refuge islands, additional crosswalks, and signals, at key locations that serve existing and emerging destinations within the Neighborhood Center.</u> - <u>Prioritize traffic flow for transit by providing queue bypass lanes or signal preemption to encourage transit use.</u> - <u>As the first major intersection within Kirkland City limits/along the northern City limit border, coordination between Woodinville and Kirkland jurisdictions should occur near this</u> 	<i>Added location near 132nd Square Park for sidewalk improvements per Working Group Comment.</i>	Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan

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	<p><u>occur near this area to address common traffic flow concerns.</u></p> <p><u>124th Ave NE and NE 140th St:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Install traffic calming measures at this intersection to promote safety of walking, biking, and rolling community members.</u> - <u>Actualize the recommended greenway as proposed in the Active Transportation Plan</u> - <u>Crosswalk enhancements and appropriate signage to bring attention to the existing school walking route.</u> 	<p><u>area to address common traffic flow concerns.</u></p> <p><u>124th Ave NE and NE 140th St:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Install traffic calming measures at this intersection to promote safety of safe walking, biking, and rolling community members.</u> - <u>Actualize the recommended greenway as proposed in the Active Transportation Plan</u> - <u>Create crosswalk enhancements and appropriate signage to bring attention to the existing school walking route.</u> <p><u>NE 132nd ST, between 124th Ave NE and 132nd Ave NE:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Provide sidewalk improvements to ensure accessibility.</u> 		
23	<p><i>No existing policy.</i></p> <p><u>Encourage frequent reliable public transit through strategic land use decisions</u></p>			Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan

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		<u>along established transit routes and at key destinations within the neighborhood.</u>			
24	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Support transit use by enhancing accessibility to major transit corridors in the neighborhood and providing additional improvements to waiting areas.</u>			Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan
	Subsection: B. Pedestrian System				
25	Policy K-12: Install sidewalks and pathways to complete the City's planned pedestrian circulation system.	<i>No change from existing policy.</i>	<i>No change from existing policy.</i>		Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan
26	Policy K-13: Provide access to CKC/Eastside Rail Corridor	Provide <u>abundant opportunities to access the CKC/Eastside Rail Corridor/Eastrail</u>			Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan, CKC Master Plan

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27	<i>No existing policy.</i>	<u>Promote walking, biking, and rolling trips with proper infrastructure as development occurs or through public funding opportunities:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Along school walk routes</u> • <u>Between public transit bus stops and residential areas</u> • <u>Connecting to the recommended NE 140th ST greenway</u> • <u>Connecting to activity areas, including parks, the Kingsgate Library, Kamiakin Middle School, and Friends of Youth.</u> 	<u>Promote walking, biking, and rolling trips with proper infrastructure as development occurs or through public funding opportunities:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Along school walk routes</u> • <u>Between public transit bus stops and residential areas</u> • <u>Connecting to the recommended NE 140th ST greenway</u> • <u>Connecting to activity areas, including parks, the Kingsgate Library, Kamiakin Middle School, and retail opportunities.</u> 	<i>Friends of Youth and 132nd square Park identified as redundant, consolidated per Working Group comment.</i>	Comp Plan, Active Transportation Plan
	Subsection: C. Bicycle System				
28	Policy K-14: Install bicycle lanes and greenways to complete the City's planned bicycle system.	[Insert narrative text to describe recommended greenway locations]			
	Plan Section: 8. Urban Design			<i>[Remove section - relevant policies moved to Land Use section]</i>	

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29 Policy K-15: Promote high quality site design, provide streetscape improvements throughout the neighborhood, and develop gateway features that strengthen the identity of the neighborhood.	Policy K-15: Promote high quality site design, provide streetscape improvements throughout the neighborhood, and develop gateway features that strengthen the identity of the neighborhood.			