2015 Comprehensive Plan Update
City of Tacoma
Planning and Development Services

City Council Study Session
December 9, 2014
Overview

- Background
- Project Approach
- Key Opportunities
- Public Outreach and Engagement
Background

- Growth Management Act Periodic Review
- Community trends and growth targets
- Incorporate/address new statutes, regional policy, local initiatives
Regional Growth Forecast

Historic and Forecast Growth

5 million people
3 million jobs

Source: PSRC
Regional Strategy

- Metropolitan Cities
- Growth Centers
Implications for Tacoma

- 2040 Population and Employment Allocations
  - Additional 127,000 residents
  - Additional 90,000 jobs
- Countywide Growth Targets for Tacoma
- Buildable Lands Analysis
Implications for Tacoma

- Expect Change
  - Increasing density

- Housing Mix
  - New housing will be predominantly multifamily

- Transportation
  - Necessity of a multi-modal system

- Environment
  - Adapting to climate change and growth pressures
Strategic Plan

- Health and Safety
- Human and Social Needs
- Economic Vibrancy and Employment
- Education and Learning
- Arts and Cultural Vitality
- Built and Natural Environment
- Government Performance
Urban Design
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- Climate
- All Ages
- Efficient
- Place
- Safety
- Health
Equity and Empowerment

- Purposeful Community Outreach and Engagement
- Equitable Service Delivery to All Residents and Visitors
- Commitment to Equity in Decision-making
New Plan Framework

- Prioritize core elements
- Differentiate policy from implementation
- Consolidate and streamline
- Relationship between Plans
Core Element Updates

- Land Use
- Transportation
- Housing
- Environment
- Economic Development
- Capital Facilities
Key Opportunities

- Integrate with the Strategic Plan
- Articulate an Urban Design Vision
- Advance Equity and Empowerment
- Anticipate the Effects of Climate Change
- Focus Efforts to Achieve Tangible Results
Outreach and Engagement

- Consider findings from other community events, surveys and outreach
  - Conversations Re: Tacoma
  - Community Health Improvement Plan
  - Creative Space Tacoma
  - Symposium on our Youngest Citizens
  - Tacoma 2025 Workshops and Mindmixer
Outreach and Engagement

- Traditional and non-traditional methods
- 5 Council District Workshops
- 2-3 Topic Based Workshops
- Volunteer Commissions
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