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# **K2044 Comprehensive Plan Update**

June 13, 2024

Continued Public Hearings

Introduction Chapter | Land Use Element



# Continued Public Hearing Agenda



## Introduction Chapter

- Staff Presentation
- PC Deliberation

## Land Use Element

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# K2044 Timeline - 2024



## February – April

### CC-PC Briefings

- Vision Statement-Guiding Principles
- Parks & SCE
- Land Use
- Economic Development
- Housing & Human Services
- Transportation
- Economic Development
- Utilities, Public Services, & Capital Facilities
- Juanita/Kingsgate Neigh. Plans

## May – September

### Publish Draft SEIS (June)

### PC Open Houses/Public Hearings

- All Elements
- Transportation Strategic Plan
- Environmental Review-SEIS
- Prepares recommendation to CC

## October – December

### Publish Final SEIS (December)

### CC Study Sessions/Adoption

- Draft Comprehensive Plan
- Draft Transportation Strategic Plan
- **December 10, 2024 adoption**

# Public Hearing Schedule (PC)



**May 9  
6PM  
Public Hearing  
#1**

- **Introduction: Vision Statement, Guiding Principles, General Goals**
- **Parks, Recreation, & Open Space Element**
- **Economic Development Element**

**May 23  
6PM  
Public Hearing  
#2**

- **Land Use Element**
- **Community Amendment Requests (CAR's)**
- **Sustainability, Climate, & Environment Element**
- **Human Services Element**
- **Neighborhood Plans**

**June 13  
7PM**

**Continuation of Public Hearing #1 & #2: Introduction Chapter (Vision Statement) & Land Use Element**



# Public Hearing Schedule (PC)

June 27  
6PM  
Hearing #3

- **Transportation Element**
- **Capital Facilities Element**
- **Utilities Element**
- **Public Services Element**

**K2044 Open  
House  
4:00 – 5:30 PM**

July 11  
7PM

- **Continuation of Public Hearing #2: Neighborhood Plans\***

\*All Plans except Juanita (PC completed deliberations on May 23, 2024)

September 26  
6PM  
Hearing #4

- **Housing Element**
- **Appendix**
  - History of Kirkland
  - Glossary
  - Community Profile
  - Housing Needs Assessment

**K2044 Open  
House  
4:00 – 5:30 PM**

# Process / Public Testimony



- Spoken testimony received by Planning Commission at May 9 public hearing (Introduction Ch.) and May 23 public hearing (Land Use)
- Planning Commission continued both hearings to June 13, and voted to keep the *written* record open for additional testimony until the beginning of the June 13 meeting
  - Commission has received limited written testimony via email related either element since the original hearings
- No additional spoken testimony on Introduction/Land Use as part of the continued hearing
- Staff recommends Planning Commission deliberate and vote on a recommendation to City Council





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# Introduction Chapter

# Revised Draft Vision Statement\*



Kirkland is a place where all people are valued. The city is dedicated to celebrating diversity and inclusion while combating racism and discrimination.

Kirkland is accessible for people of all abilities to walk, bike, roll, utilize transit services, and new innovative modes of travel. Diverse housing accommodates residents in every stage of life and is accessible to shops, services, and job opportunities citywide.

Kirkland is innovative and economically resilient, providing public services and capital infrastructure that accommodate growth.

Kirkland is a sustainable city that preserves and enhances our natural and built environment for current and future generations. Kirkland is resilient and livable in the face of climate change.



# Deliberation: Introduction Chapter



Suggested Motion: *PC moves to approve the Introduction Chapter as recommended by staff, with inclusion of the revised Draft Vision Statement presented at the June 13 continued hearing.*

IF proposing amendment(s): *PC moves to amend the motion to revise [policy XX] to state \_\_\_\_\_.*





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# Land Use Element

# Land Use Element Amendments v. Zoning Code Amendments

## What **is** being decided in the Land Use Element?

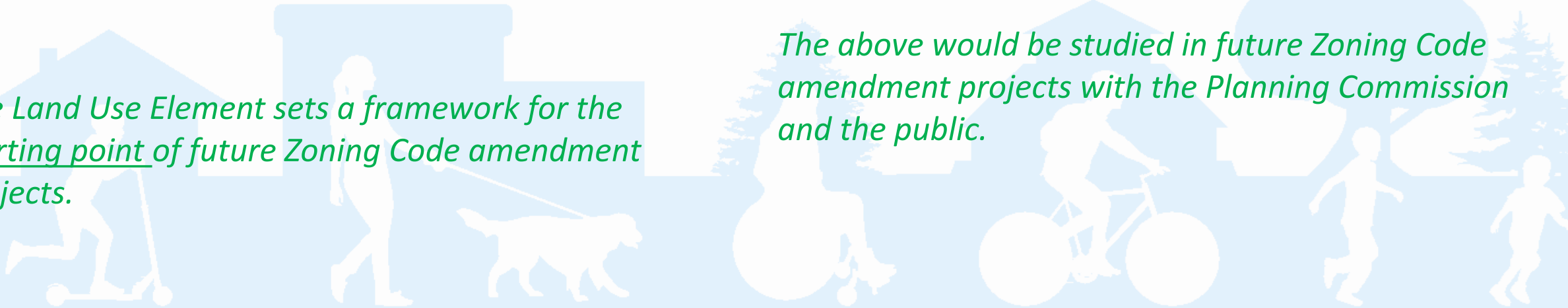
- Framework for future projects that could amend the Zoning Code
- Areas of the City that are *generally* appropriate for additional residential and jobs capacity
- Priorities for the future (e.g., where opportunities for more housing/jobs should be focused, and how uses should interact)

*The Land Use Element sets a framework for the starting point of future Zoning Code amendment projects.*

## What **is not** being decided in the Land Use Element?

- Specific re-zoning of properties
- Maximum heights for specific properties
- Maximum/minimum densities for properties
- Specific Transportation projects to support specific projects

*The above would be studied in future Zoning Code amendment projects with the Planning Commission and the public.*

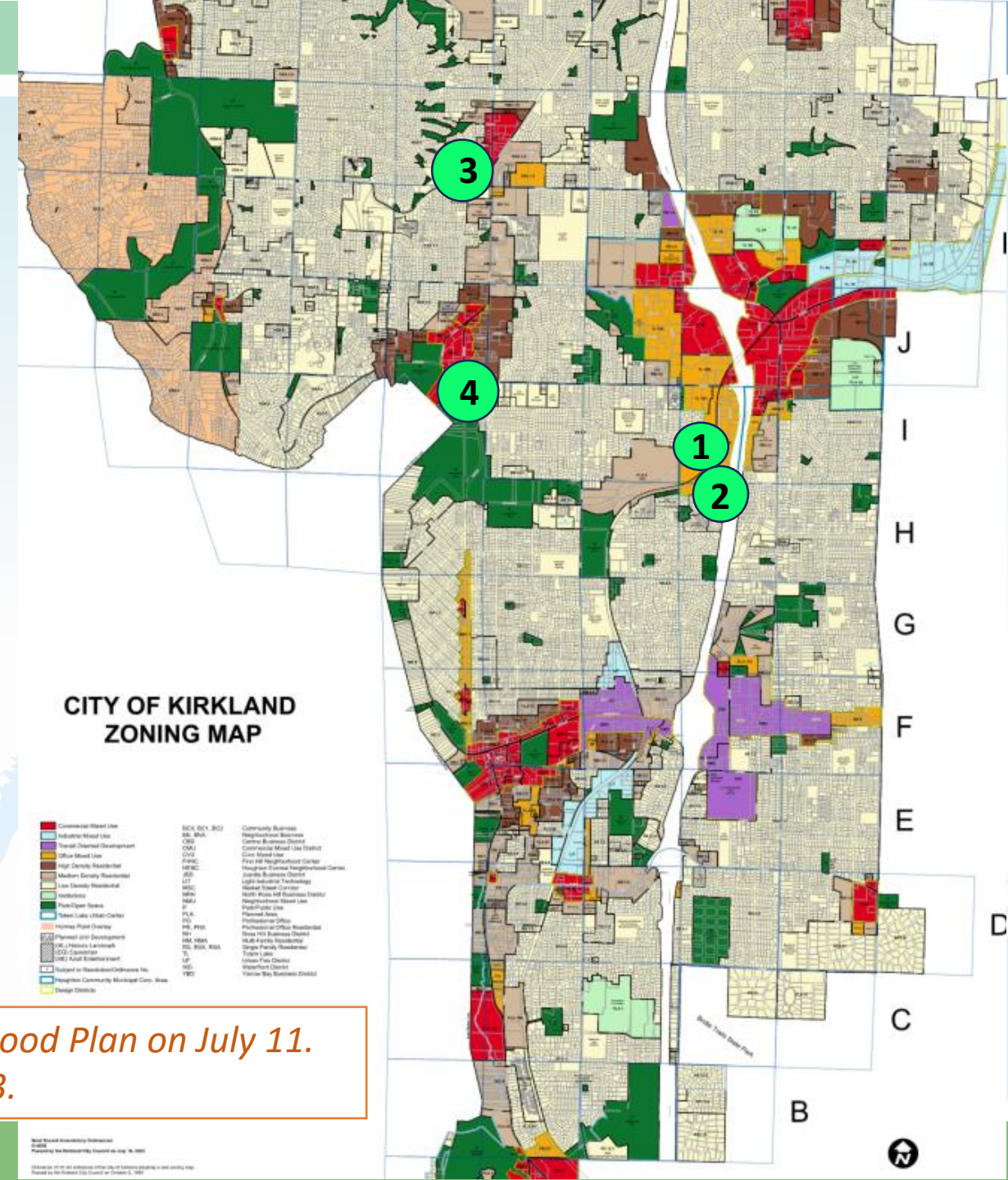




# POTENTIAL LAND USE CHANGES

1. **Par Mac Business Park (Totem Lake):** greater permitted density and height to accommodate up to 1,200 units of housing and up to 30,000 square feet of commercial space.
2. **Totem Lake Southern Industrial Commercial Subarea (Totem Lake, TL 10C, TL 10D, TL 10E, TL10F):** changes to enable increases in capacity for housing units and office space.
3. **Goodwill Site (Juanita):** greater permitted density and height to accommodate up to 600 units of housing and up to 15,000 square feet of commercial space.
4. **Michael's Site (Juanita):** greater permitted density and height (from 26 feet to 70 feet) to accommodate up to 350 units of housing and commercial space.

*#1 and #2 will be considered by PC with the Totem Lake Neighborhood Plan on July 11.  
 #3 and #4 were previously discussed and recommended on May 23.*



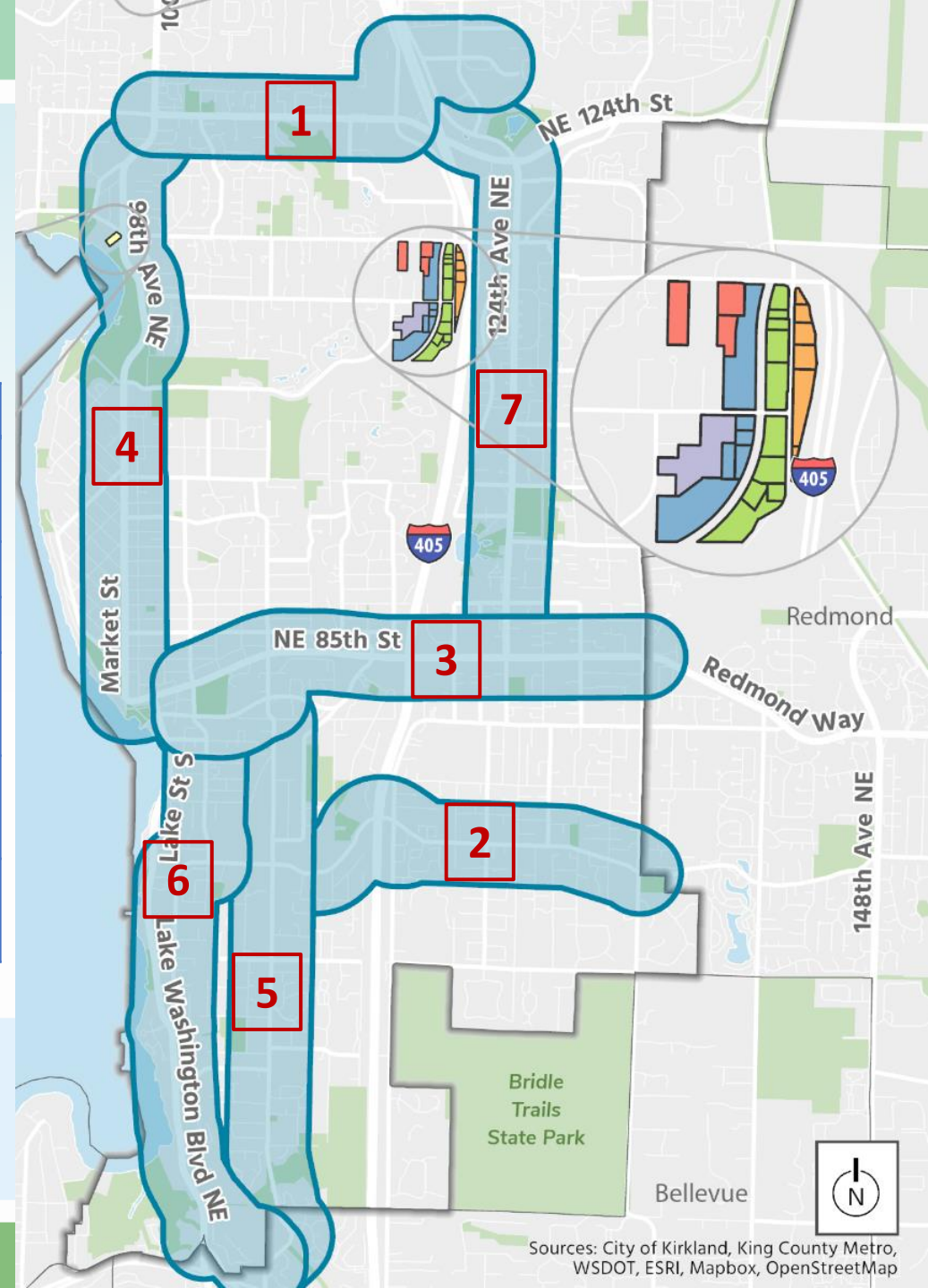
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# Potential Land Use Changes Along Frequent Transit Corridors

## 5. Increased capacity along frequent transit corridors

1	100th Ave NE to Totem Lake Transit Center (NE124th St/NE 128th St)
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*Staff proposes the route buffers be included on the adopted Land Use Map as an overlay; which will not result in any regulatory changes. Future projects would explore the potential of changing the land use designation to Corridor Mixed Use.*



Sources: City of Kirkland, King County Metro, WSDOT, ESRI, Mapbox, OpenStreetMap

# Implementing Policies for Potential Land Use Changes

(staff recommendations)

**5. Increased capacity along frequent transit corridors:** Include draft policy LU-2.4 in the Land Use Element.

*Draft Policy LU-2.4:* Create additional capacity for higher-intensity residential uses along identified frequent transit corridors citywide, and ensure development regulations enable multi-unit housing types.

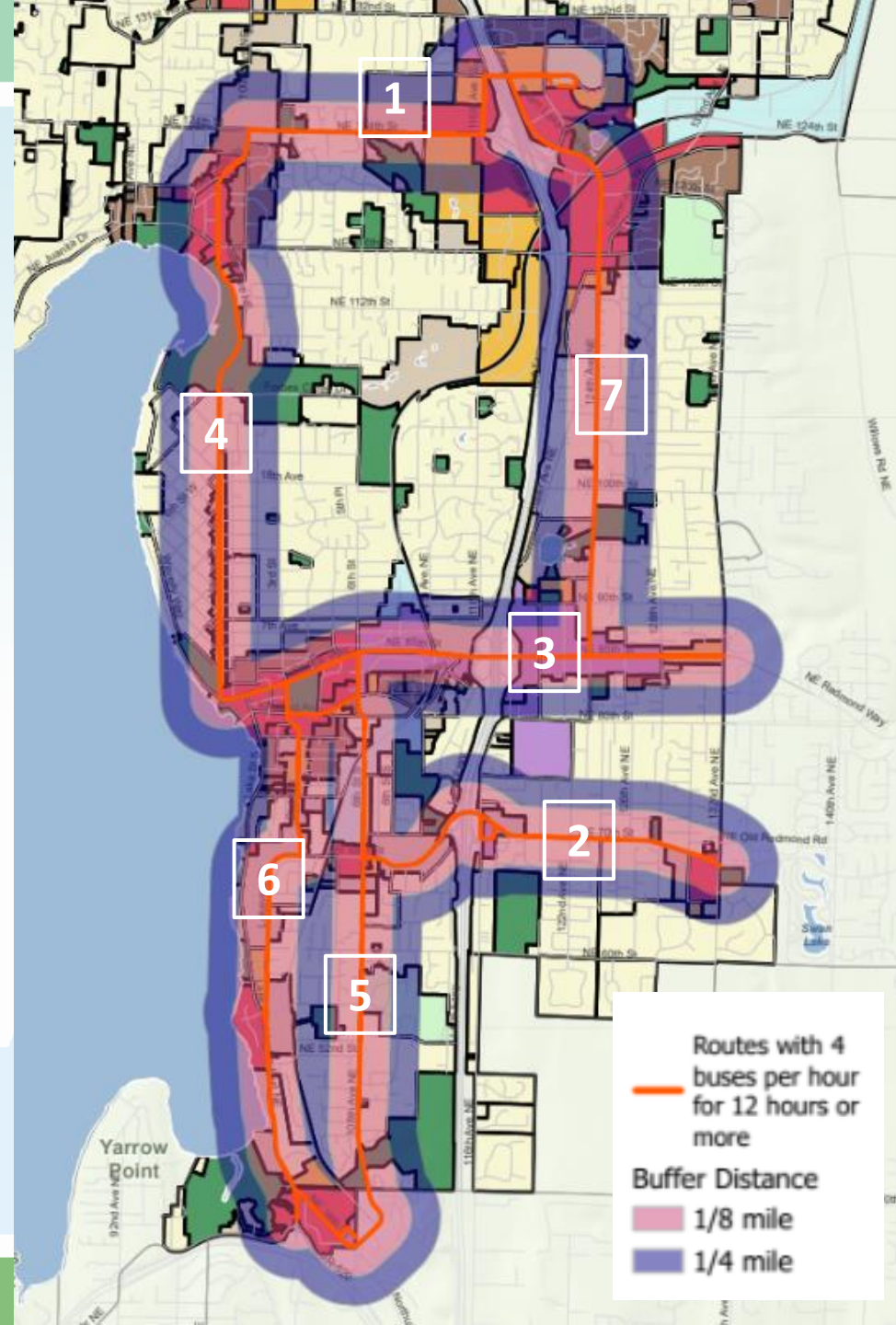


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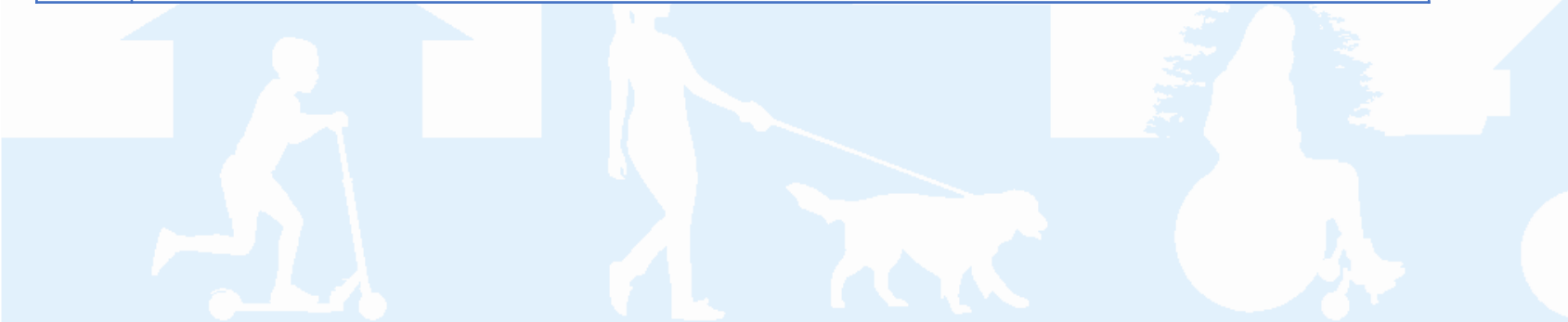
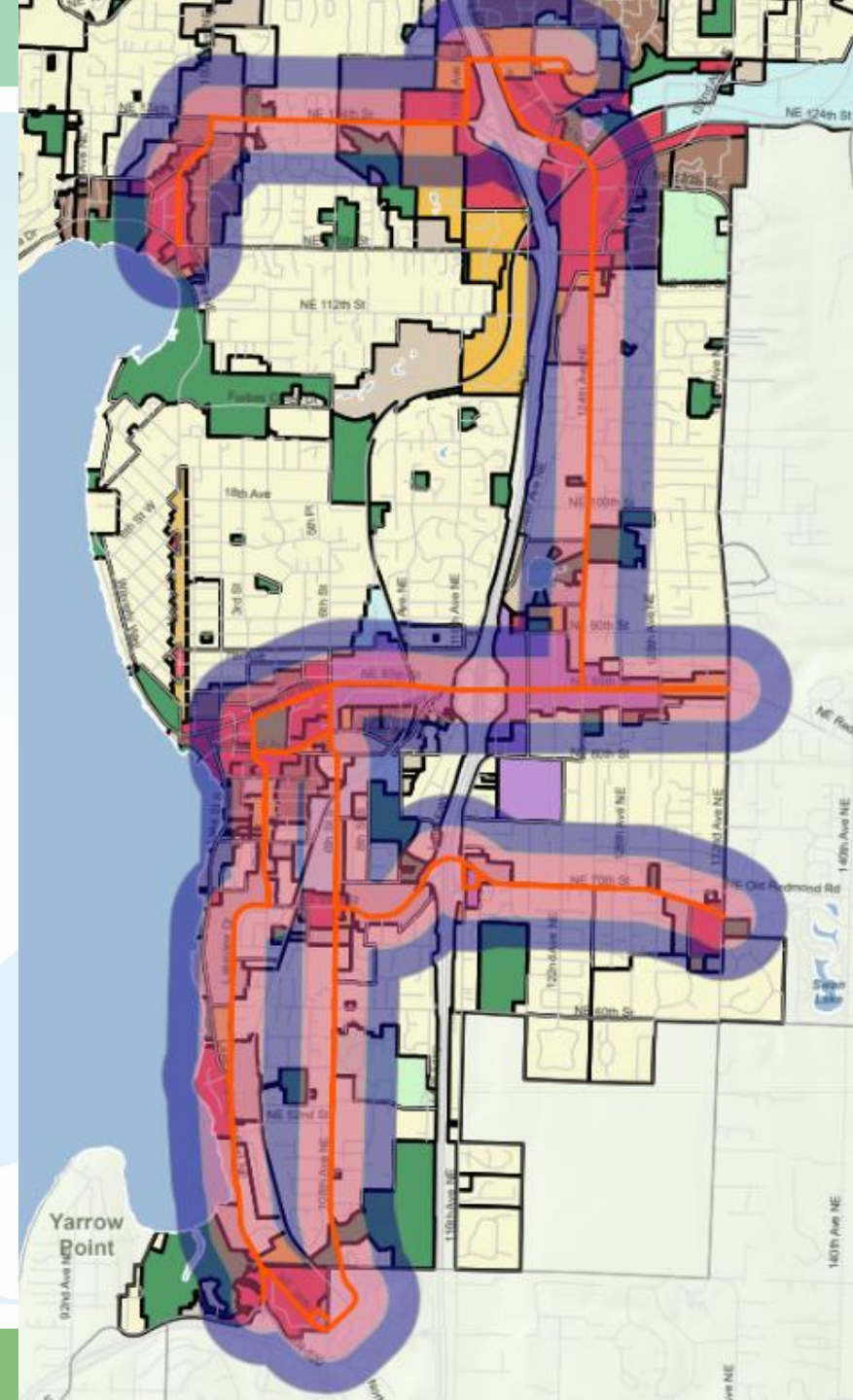
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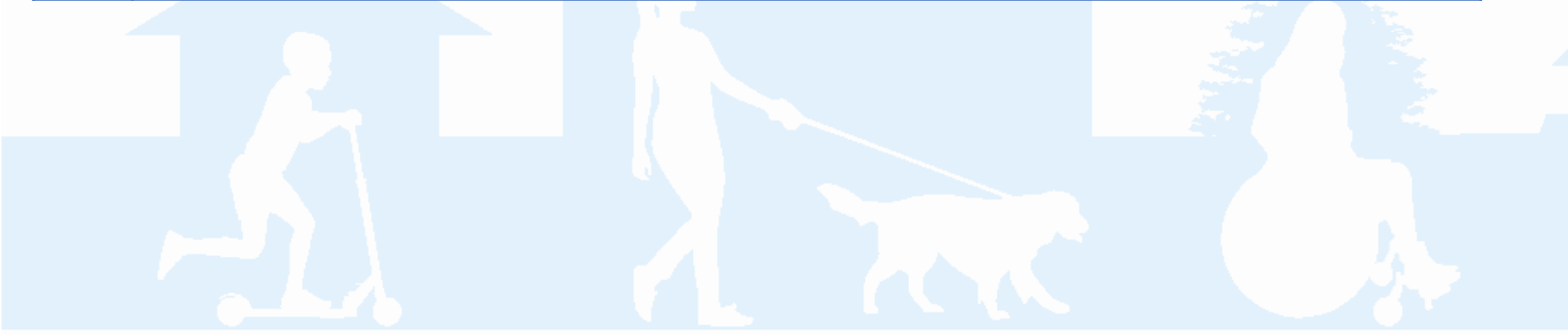
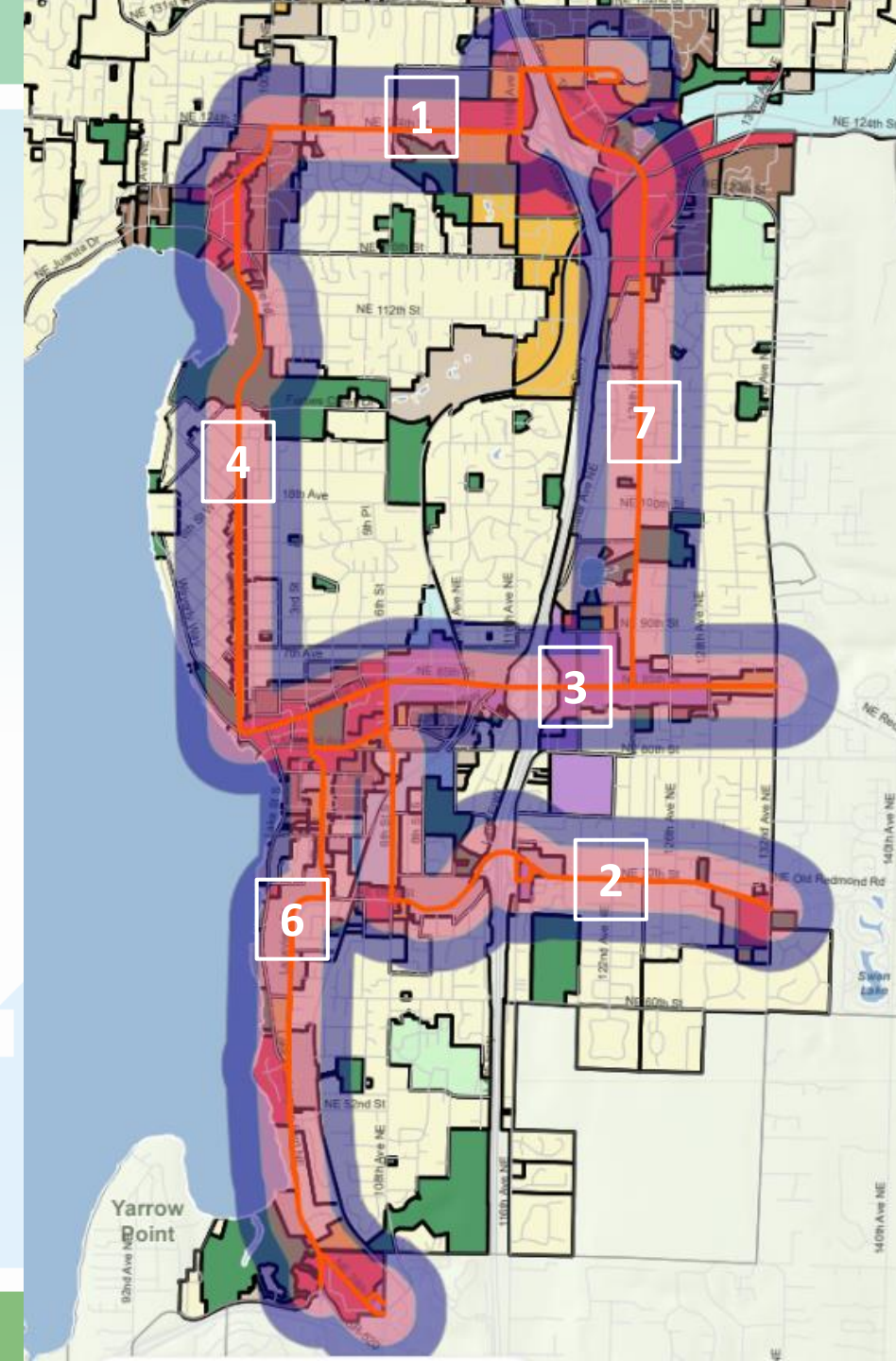
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# Alternate #2: Frequent Transit Corridor Overlays

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# Land Use Element Updates\*



Minor changes in recommended Land Use Element since May 23:

- Updated land use designation titles;
- Clarified labeling in Table LU-3;
- Removed Figure LU-5;
- Reinstated Policy LU-5.10 (support for Regional Growth Centers);
- Added reference to transit-oriented areas in multiple locations;
- Non-substantive edits to narrative text.

# Deliberation: Land Use Element



Suggested Motion: *PC moves to approve the Land Use Element as recommended by staff in Attachment 1 to the June 13 meeting packet.*

IF proposing amendment(s): *PC moves to amend the motion to revise [policy LU-X/Figure LU-X] to state/show \_\_\_\_\_.*

