

Neighborhood Parking



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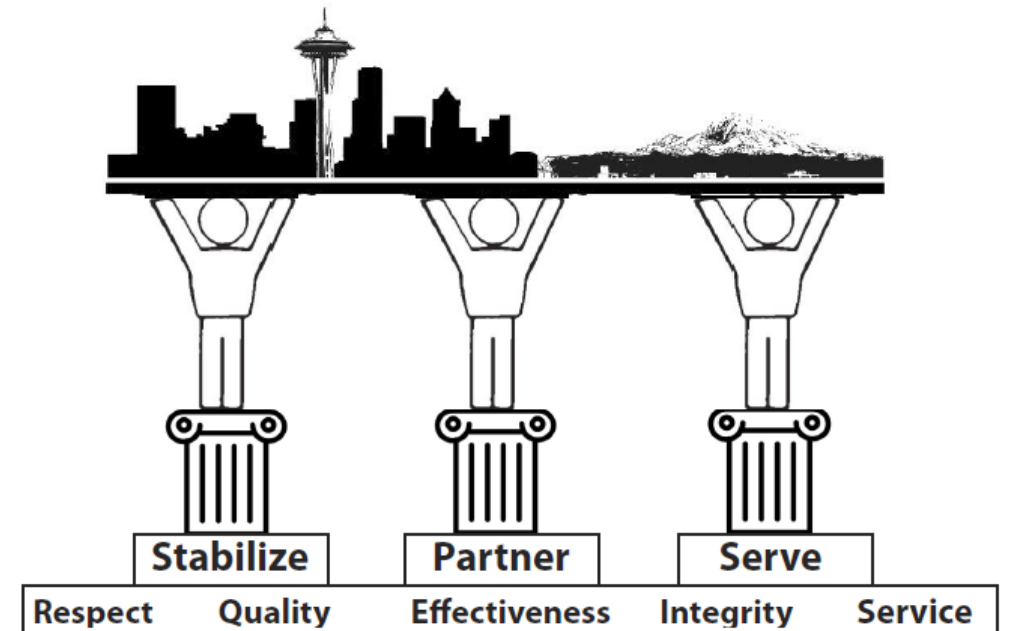
SDCI PURPOSE AND VALUES

Our Purpose

As stewards and regulators of land and buildings, we preserve and enhance equity, livability, safety, and health of our communities.

Our Values

- Respect
- Quality of work
- Effectiveness
- Integrity
- Service



POLICY OBJECTIVES

- Promote transportation choices – more transit and fewer cars on the street
- Help manage traffic congestion
- Improve environment
- Reduce housing cost (HALA)
- Monitor outcomes and explore future opportunities for community benefit



KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Continue to right-size parking
- Update frequent transit service measure
- Add shared parking opportunities
- Support bicycle, car-share, and transit



SEATTLE TRENDS

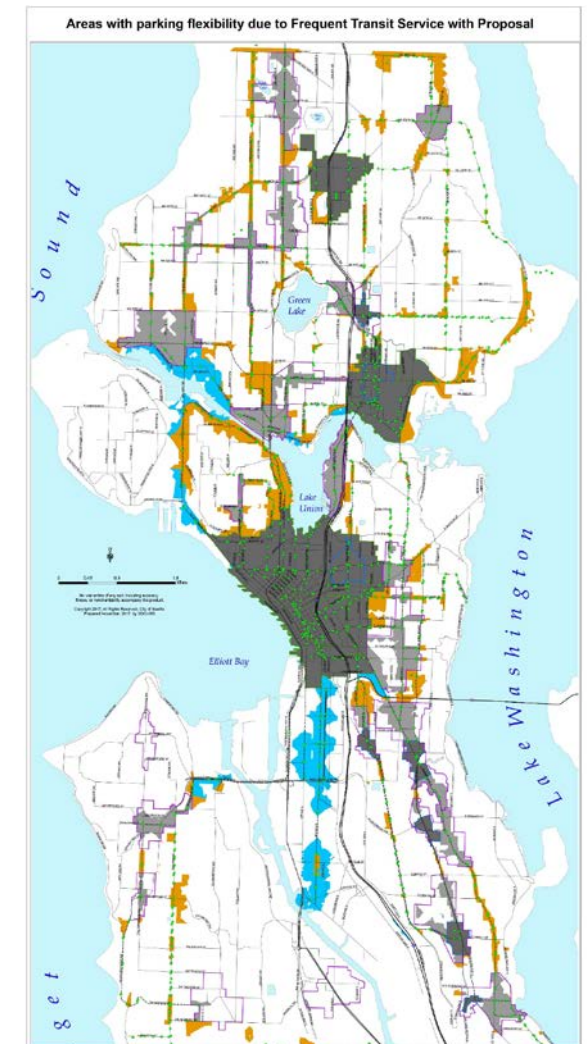
Right-size parking:

- 70% of development proposals include parking
- 87% of the proposed housing units are in buildings with parking
- .72 spaces/unit is the average amount of parking provided in new buildings with parking

Under-use of existing off-street parking resources

- 30-35% of parking in existing buildings is not used

Source: SDCI findings, 2012-2017; King Co. Right Size Parking study.



MEASURING TRANSIT FREQUENCY

- Reduction in off-street parking tied to adequate transit service
- Recognize minor variations in buses arriving every 15 minutes and every 30 minutes
 - Allow for occasional longer headways
 - Measure across 18 hours per day, everyday
- Use published bus schedules
- Apply based on a map that is updated periodically as transit service changes



BICYCLE PARKING

- Support increased bicycle use
- Follow national APBP* guidelines
- Residential: 1 space per dwelling; and 0.2 for short-term bike parking
- Non-residential: make consistent across city
- Shower facilities, for buildings 100,000+ sf citywide (250,000 sf today in Downtown)

*Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals



Thank you.

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