The City of Seattle

Ordinance _____

Council Bill _____

..title
An ordinance relating to land use and zoning; amending the Seattle Comprehensive Plan to incorporate changes proposed as part of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan annual amendment process.

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Recitals:

The City of Seattle adopted a Comprehensive Plan through Ordinance 117221 in 1994 and most recently adopted amendments to its Comprehensive Plan in December 2025 through Ordinance 127375.

The Growth Management Act, chapter 36.70A RCW, authorizes annual amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) has designated Northgate and Downtown as Regional Centers and the Greater Duwamish and Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing and Industrial Centers (also referred to as Ballard Interbay MIC).

Designation by the PSRC makes these Regional Centers and Manufacturing and Industrial Centers competitive for federal transportation funding.

PSRC requires an update to each center's plan for recertification of these regional and manufacturing/industrial centers.

Environmental review for the proposed amendments has been conducted by OPCD pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

The Downtown Regional Center Plan was evaluated through an addendum to the One Seattle Comprehensive Plan Final Environmental Impact Statement, which was published on March 12, 2026.

Northgate Regional Center Plan was conducted through a SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) process, which was published on April 2, 2026.

The Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing and Industrial Subarea Plan was analyzed through an EIS addendum to the Industrial and Maritime Strategy Final EIS, which was issued on May 7, 2026.

The Greater Duwamish Manufacturing and Industrial Center Subarea Plan was analyzed through an EIS Addendum to the Industrial and Maritime Strategy Final EIS, which was released May 14, 2026.

An appeal of the adoption of the Industrial and Maritime Strategy Final EIS as part of the Duwamish Manufacturing and Industrial Center Subarea Plan EIS Addendum was filed on May 26 and final action on approving this plan will not take place until the appeal is resolved.

Community engagement for the Northgate Regional Center Plan occurred from 2023 through 2025 and included surveys, community conversations, stakeholder engagement, public meetings and outreach activities.

A public comment period for the draft Northgate Regional Center Plan took place between January 2, 2026, and February 15, 2026.

Community engagement for the Downtown Regional Center Plan occurred from 2023 through 2025 and included surveys, community conversations, stakeholder engagement, public meetings and outreach activities.

Community Engagement for the Greater Duwamish Manufacturing and Industrial Center and the Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing and Industrial Center took place initially as part of the Industrial and Maritime Strategy that included recommendations from an Advisory Council, and meetings with stakeholder groups that continued into 2026.

A public comment period for the Greater Duwamish Manufacturing and Industrial Center and the Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing and Industrial Center took place from April 6, 2026, to May 19, 2026.

The City Council has considered public testimony made at public hearings and other pertinent materials regarding the proposed amendments.

The City Council finds that the amendments to be adopted are consistent with the Growth Management Act, and will promote the health, safety, and welfare of the general public. Therefore,

Be it ordained by The City of Seattle as follows:

Section 1. The One Seattle Comprehensive Plan, last amended by Ordinance 127375, is amended to include the Northgate Regional Center Subarea Plan in Appendix 3 to the Comprehensive Plan, as shown in Attachment 1 to this ordinance.

Section 2. The One Seattle Comprehensive Plan, last amended by Ordinance 127375, is amended to include the Downtown Regional Center Subarea Plan in Appendix 3 to the Comprehensive Plan, as shown in Attachment 2 to this ordinance.

Section 3. The One Seattle Comprehensive Plan, last amended by Ordinance 127375, is amended to include the Greater Duwamish Manufacturing/Industrial Center Subarea Plan in Appendix 3 to the Comprehensive Plan, as shown in Attachment 3 to this ordinance.

Section 4. The One Seattle Comprehensive Plan, last amended by Ordinance 127375, is amended to include the Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing/Industrial Center Subarea Plan in Appendix 3 to the Comprehensive Plan, as shown in Attachment 4 to this ordinance.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Northgate Regional Center Plan

Attachment 2 – Downtown Regional Center Plan

Attachment 3 – Greater Duwamish Manufacturing/Industrial Center Subarea Plan

Attachment 4 – Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing/Industrial Center Plan

This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

Passed by the City Council and signed in open session in authentication of its passage on _____.

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President _____ of the City Council

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Katie B. Wilson, Mayor

Attested on _____.

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Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

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