

MEMORANDUM

To: Councilmember Rob Johnson, Chair
Councilmembers Mike O'Brien and Lisa Herbold, Members
Planning, Land Use and Zoning Committee

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Subject: Potential amendments to Seattle 2035

On August 16, the Planning, Land Use and Zoning (PLUZ) Committee will begin discussion of potential amendments to the Mayor's Recommended Comprehensive Plan, "[Seattle 2035](#)." The purpose of this memo is to describe the attached list of potential amendments for your consideration.

Over the last two months, Councilmember Johnson has taken the Comprehensive Plan "on the road," bringing key themes of the plan to most Council committees for review and discussion. The attached list of potential amendments comes out of those discussions. It also includes recommendations by the Seattle Planning Commission and the Seattle Music Commission. Many of the ideas in the attached list of amendments come from members of the public, received both at the public hearing and in written comments.

The attachments list potential amendments by Comprehensive Plan Element. Each element's list is broken into "policy decisions" and "technical amendments."

Potential amendments that address larger themes or where a range of options are provided are listed as "policy decisions." We anticipate that most of the discussion around the potential amendments will be about these "policy decisions."

More targeted and/or simpler amendments are included as "technical amendments." Please let us know if you'd like to discuss the "technical amendments" in more detail or if you would like to consider alternatives to the potential technical amendments and we will work with you to identify those alternatives or provide additional information, if necessary.

The list is intended to constitute a first draft of potential amendments that the Council may consider. Many of these ideas will be further fleshed out through discussions at PLUZ Committee meetings, starting on August 16. Please let us know if we can provide additional information about any of these potential amendments.

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The following tables include a wide range of potential amendments to the Mayor's Recommended Comprehensive Plan based on public comment, Councilmember and Council Staff review of the Recommended Plan. These potential changes are presented here for public review and comment and discussion among Councilmembers. The Council may decide to adopt some, all or none of these amendments, and may decide to approach these topics in a different manner than presented here.

"Current plan" refers to the existing adopted plan, which was originally adopted in 2004 and has been later amended.

"Draft plan" refers to the version of the plan published by the Department of Planning and Development in July 2015.

"Recommended plan" refers to the Mayor's Recommended Comprehensive Plan as attached to Council Bill 118683.

Specific language proposed to be deleted from the Mayor's Recommended Comprehensive Plan is shown in ~~striketrough~~.

Specific language proposed to be added to the Mayor's Recommended Comprehensive Plan is shown underlined.

**Attachment 1:
Potential Amendments to the Introduction and Amendments across multiple sections of the
Plan**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>1. Community Engagement Element</p> <p>a. Amend the plan to create a new “Community Involvement” Element containing the goals and policies under that title in the Growth Strategy Element (GS1, GS1.1-GS1.10)</p> <p>b. Consider adding additional policies to the Community Involvement Element to better reflect the city’s approach to engagement across departments and issues</p> <p>c. Consider merging the Neighborhood Planning Element with the Community Engagement goals and policies to create a new “Community Engagement Element”</p> <p>d. Do not amend the Mayor’s Recommended Plan</p>	<p>A separate element on Community Engagement would elevate this topic as a key component of planning and emphasize the cross-cutting nature of community engagement. Would allow policies related to the City’s work with communities (both geographical neighborhoods and communities of interest) to be collected in one place.</p>

Technical Amendments

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<p>2. Amend the title of the plan to reintroduce the word “sustainable” as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Seattle 2035 Comprehensive Plan Managing Growth to Become an Equitable <u>and Sustainable</u> City 2015-2035</p>	<p>The current title of Seattle’s Comprehensive Plan is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A Plan for Managing Growth 2004-2024 City of Seattle Comprehensive Plan Toward a Sustainable Seattle</p> <p>The proposed amendment would both emphasize equity as a core value of the plan, and would</p>

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	maintain the important emphasis of the current plan on sustainability.
3. Highlight the environmental benefits of the Comprehensive Plan’s urban village strategy and its policies in the introductory sections of the plan.	While the plan continues to have a strong foundation in concepts of environmental sustainability and positive environmental outcomes, those concepts are not as clear to some readers in the recommended plan as they are in the current plan.
4. Amend page 6 and other places throughout the plan to change “Disabled people” to “People with disabilities”	Consistent with the language used by Seattle’s Commission for People with disAbilities
5. Update the population count on page 14 from 662,400 in 2015 to 686,800 in 2016	References correct figure
6. Amend the discussion of indicators on page 15 to state affirmatively that baseline data on the indicators listed will be collected	The purpose of indicators is to track change over time. The use of baseline data allows for that analysis.
7. Amend the list of indicators of key issues in the Comprehensive Plan on page 15 of the introduction to the plan to include “number of demolished housing units”	Combined with new housing units, allows for tracking net new units, which is the basis for the housing estimates in the plan
8. Amend the list of indicators to be measured to include “City infrastructure investment.”	Consistent with the mission of the Office of Planning and Community Development to coordinate infrastructure planning to implement the Comprehensive Plan.
9. Amend the list of indicators to be measured to include “household income”	Provides important information to track the success of the City’s work to increase equity
10. Amend the list of indicators to be measured to include “housing costs”	Combined with household income can start to show how the City is meeting its goals towards a more equitable city.
11. Amend sentence at top of page 17: “Implementation of most policies involves a range of City actions over	Many policies will include private partners as well as City actions

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<p>time, so one cannot simply ask whether a specific action or project would fulfill a particular Plan policy.”</p>	
<p>12. Reference the Equitable Development Implementation Plan and the Seattle 2035 Growth and Equity Analysis in the introduction to the plan as background documents and functional plans that provide additional information regarding the Comprehensive Plan and its implementation</p>	<p>The Equitable Development Implementation Plan has been developed to implement the Comprehensive Plan and it would be appropriate to recognize it within the plan. The Growth and Equity Analysis provides background information important to understanding the plan.</p>
<p>13. Increase references to other documents, ask the Executive to provide hyperlinks when they publish the final plan on-line</p>	<p>There are a number of plans that the Mayor’s Recommended Plan includes, the Plan could become a more useful tool if cross-references within the plan and to other plans are strengthened and hyperlinks are provided in the on-line version of the plan.</p>
<p>14. Make minor, non-substantive grammatical edits to use appropriate language, punctuation, etc.</p>	<p>The Office of Planning and Community Development has identified a range of minor edits that have no substantive effect but that improve readability.</p>
<p>15. Amend neighborhood plans to reflect changes that were adopted in 2015 and erroneously omitted in the Neighborhood Plan volume of the Recommended Plan</p>	<p>Changes made in 2015 to the Central Area Neighborhood Plan, Downtown Urban Center Plan, Fremont Neighborhood Plan, North Beacon Hill Neighborhood Plan Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan and the South Lake Union Neighborhood Plan were inadvertently left out of the Mayor’s Recommended Plan</p>

**Attachment 2:
Potential Amendments to the Growth Strategy Element and Appendices**

Policy Decisions

Options	Discussion
<p>16. Amend Growth Strategy Figure 3 “Estimated Urban Village Growth Rates”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Increase estimates of future growth for areas with High Access to Opportunity and Low Risk of Displacement b. Decrease estimates of future growth for areas with High Access to Opportunity and High Risk of Displacement c. Do not amend the estimated urban village growth rates 	<p>The Office of Planning & Community Development published a “Growth and Equity Analysis” that identified urban villages with high and low access to opportunity and high and low risk of displacement. The growth rates in the Mayor’s Recommended Plan are lowered for areas with high risk of displacement and are increased for areas with very good transit access. The Council should consider whether to increase rates in areas with high access to opportunity or decrease rates in areas with high risk of displacement.</p>
<p>17. Growth along transit corridors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Add a policy related to residential and employment growth along transit corridors b. Do not add this policy 	<p>The Seattle Planning Commission recommends adding a policy in support of development along transit corridors as follows: <u>“Allow for some residential growth along transit corridors to support broader access via frequent, reliable transit to the essential components of livability provided in urban villages and urban centers.”</u> This would be added to discussion of areas outside of urban centers and villages. In addition, a definition of “transit corridor” related to high frequency transit lines would be added to the Glossary.</p>

Technical Amendments

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<p>18. In the Introduction, clarify that the City’s Growth Strategy is the “Urban Village Strategy”</p>	<p>The Urban Village strategy is the City’s Growth Strategy, the introduction can be clearer about this.</p>
<p>19. In the introduction to the Element, reference the Growth and Equity analysis and discuss opportunity and</p>	<p>Discussing the Growth and Equity analysis will provide important context for the policies and growth estimates</p>

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<p>displacement, potential negative outcomes for marginalized communities and historic disinvestment as factors in shaping the growth strategy</p>	
<p>20. Box on page 22: “For example, <u>the historically African-American communities at 23rd and Union/Jackson, North Beacon Hill, and Columbia City</u> saw substantial decreases in their populations of color.”</p>	<p>Provides historical context for this fact. Recognizes the community that has undergone this change.</p>
<p>21. Amend goal GS 1: GS1 Continue to have meaningful opportunities for all people in Seattle to contribute their thoughts and aspirations that develop growth plans and related regulations <u>and prioritize city investments.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends broadening the scope of this community involvement policy to reflect current practice.</p>
<p>22. Amend policy GS 1.1 GS 1.1 Enlist Seattle residents and businesses to help prepare plans that guide growth, City government activities and City services so that <u>their</u> outcomes reflect the public’s values and concerns.</p>	<p>Minor edit</p>
<p>23. Amend policy GS 1.2 GS 1.2 Develop and implement practices to reach <u>involve</u> historically underrepresented communities and to aid their participation in decision-making processes.</p>	<p>Simplify</p>
<p>24. Amend policy GS 1.5 GS 1.5 Use information collected about growth, along with other information, to make decisions for further planning or for making investments that will <u>equitably</u> meet the needs of residents and businesses.</p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends highlighting equity in this policy</p>

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<p>25. Amend policy GS 2.4 GS 2.4 Coordinate planning for transportation, utilities, <u>parks and recreation, open space</u>, libraries, and other public services to meet the anticipated growth and increased density in urban centers and villages.</p>	<p>“Parks and recreation” are more likely to be services provided in urban centers and villages in response to growth than open space</p>
<p>26. Amend GS 2.12: GS 2.12 Include the area that is generally within a ten-minute walk of light rail stations or very good bus service in urban village boundaries, <u>except in industrial zones.</u></p>	<p>Restores current policy direction until the Industrial Lands Working Group can weigh in on this issue</p>
<p>27. Growth Strategy Figure 1, “Urban Center and Urban Village Guidelines” Change “Public Transit Access” to “Access”</p>	<p>These guidelines cover more than transit, include things like sidewalks and bicycle facilities</p>
<p>28. Amend the plan to clarify that the citywide, urban center, and urban village estimates of growth are a minimum amount of growth the City expect to receive over the next twenty years</p>	<p>Past use of the term “target” to indicate an estimated amount of future growth has led communities to believe that growth should be stopped after the target amount of growth has been met. The City has always intended these numbers to be estimates. Acknowledging these figures as minimums, the Council should be careful to put in place tools to respond if growth is significantly higher than the estimates.</p>
<p>29. Add a new policy GS 3.6 <u>GS 3.6 Work with communities where growth is slower than anticipated to identify barriers to growth and strategies overcome those barriers.</u></p>	<p>Adds a policy about support for slow-growing areas</p>
<p>30. Growth Strategy Figure 3, “Estimated Urban Village Growth Rates”, rewrite the first note to be clearer about urban villages where the capacity could constrain growth.</p>	<p>The current note could be clearer.</p>

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31. Add numerical growth estimates to Growth Strategy Appendix Figures A-1 and A-2	Would provide more information to the reader about the potential future growth by village.
32. Add housing and jobs development capacity figures for each urban center and village to Growth Strategy Appendix Figures A-1 and A2	As a constraint on estimated growth, this information should be included in the Appendix
33. Amend Growth Strategy Figure 3 or the Growth Strategy Appendices to list the category of growth that each urban center or village falls into.	Growth Strategy Figure 4 shows the category that each village falls into, however, some members of the public have sought more clarity through lists of villages and centers by category. This would provide clarity to the public about areas of high and low opportunity and areas of high and low potential for displacement.
34. Add a new policy 4.X to the Natural Environment section regarding tree planting and preservation: <u>GS 4.X Encourage the preservation and expansion of the tree canopy throughout the city for the aesthetic, health and environmental benefits trees provide.</u>	Connects tree planting and preservation to aesthetics and health and environmental benefits

**Attachment 3:
Potential Amendments to the Land Use Element and Appendices**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>35. Scale of development in urban centers and villages</p> <p>a. Amend LU 1.3 to provide more guidance regarding the appropriate scale of development in different categories of urban centers and villages based on the characteristics of urban centers and villages contained in Growth Strategy Figure 1</p> <p>b. Amend LU 1.3 to provide more guidance regarding the appropriate scale of development based on heights, floor area ratios or other specific measures of density</p> <p>c. Amend LU 1.3 or LU 1.4 to allow for higher densities adjacent to light rail stations and frequent bus service</p> <p>d. Do not amend LU 1.3</p>	<p>LU 1.3 defines appropriate development in urban centers and villages by citing ranges in development from low-density to high-density, as follows:</p> <p>LU 1.3 Provide for a wide range in the scale and density permitted for multifamily residential, commercial, and mixed-use projects to generally achieve the following overall density and scale characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In urban centers, a moderate to high-density and scale of development • In hub urban villages, a moderate density and scale of development • In residential urban villages, a low to moderate density and scale of development <p>The Mayor’s recommended policy may be difficult to implement and can be supplemented by reference to Growth Strategy Figure 1, which discusses appropriate minimum densities for different categories of centers and villages</p>
<p>36. Future Land Use Map</p> <p>a. Amend the proposed Future Land Use Map to remove “potential urban village expansion” areas until more detail regarding those boundaries are available</p> <p>b. Amend the proposed Future Land Use Map to remove shading of urban centers and villages</p>	<p>The Future Land Use Map is a required part of the Comprehensive Plan under the Growth Management Act. The Mayor’s Recommended Future Land Use Map includes three changes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Urban centers and villages are shown with consistent colors across the map; 2. Dashed lines are added that show a ten-minute walk from high-frequency transit existing as of May 2015 as potential areas where urban villages could be expanded

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Amend the Future Land Use Map to add urban village expansion areas around proposed light rail stations contained in ST3 or other areas that meet the criteria in policy G 2.12. d. Use the Future Land Use Map from the current plan and wait to make amendments until 2017 e. Adopt the Mayor’s proposed Future Land Use Map 	<p>3. Adding cemeteries to the map as unique land uses with a special role under the City Charter.</p> <p>Councilmembers may want to hold off on making these changes until more detail regarding future urban village boundaries and zoning is available through ongoing work to implement the mandatory affordable housing program.</p>
<p>37. Industrial Lands policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Retain language from the current plan regarding industrial lands b. Adopt language proposed in the 2015 draft plan regarding industrial lands c. Do not amend the Mayor’s Recommended Plan regarding industrial lands 	<p>The Draft Comprehensive Plan published in July 2015 included two new policies regarding industrial lands: a policy regarding retaining land in Manufacturing/Industrial Centers for industrial uses and a policy discouraging the use of the industrial commercial zone in Manufacturing/Industrial Centers. The Mayor did not recommend those policies and has convened an industrial lands working group or task force to provide guidance on these and related issues. In holding off on these policies, the Mayor’s Recommended Plan provides less guidance than the current plan regarding the importance of industrial lands. For example language stating that urban villages are not appropriate to include in industrial areas is removed. The Planning Commission has recommended that the Council adopt the policies proposed in the draft plan.</p>
<p>38. Development near urban centers and villages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Amend policy LU 7.3 to support allowing redevelopment of single-family areas near urban centers and villages, not just inside urban centers and villages; 	<p>LU 7.3 states: “Consider allowing redevelopment or infill development of single-family areas inside urban centers and villages, where new development would maintain the low height and bulk that characterize the single-family area, while allowing a wider range of housing types.” The Planning Commission has recommended that “inside urban centers and villages” should be rewritten as “near</p>

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<p>b. Delete Policy LU7.3, do not consider redevelopment or infill development of single-family areas near urban centers and villages;</p> <p>c. Do not amend the Mayor’s Recommended Plan</p>	<p>urban centers and villages” to provide more flexibility. Others have suggested that redevelopment of single-family areas should not be City policy.</p> <p>Note: Option a. may require additional environmental review.</p>

Technical Amendments

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<p>39. Amend policy LU 3.2 related to schools:</p> <p>LU 3.2 Allow public facilities and small institutions to depart from development standards, if necessary to meet their particular functional requirements, while maintaining general design compatibility with the surrounding area’s scale and character. Require public facilities and small institutions to adhere to zoned height limits, except for schools and spires on religious institutions. <u>Consider providing greater flexibility for schools in recognition of their important role in the community.</u></p>	<p>Allows for greater flexibility for school buildings in recognition that they are historically larger than surrounding buildings.</p>
<p>40. Amend goal LU G6:</p> <p>LU G6 Regulate off-street parking to address parking demand in ways that reduce reliance on automobiles, <u>improve public health and safety,</u> <u>reduce greenhouse gas emissions,</u> lower construction costs, create attractive and walkable environments, and promote</p>	<p>Adds health, safety and environmental concerns</p>

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<p>economic development throughout the city.</p>	
<p>41. Amend policy LU 6.6: LU 6.6 Limit the off-street impacts on pedestrians and surrounding areas by restricting the number and size of automobile curb cuts, and by generally requiring alley access to parking when there is an accessible, surfaced alley that is not used primarily for loading and when not prevented by topography.</p>	<p>Simplifies language, last phrases are redundant to “accessible, surfaced alley”.</p>
<p>42. Amend policy LU 6.10: LU 6.10 Allow parking transportation management provisions <u>programs in select</u> commercial and multifamily residential areas <u>with access to frequent transit</u> to include measures such as cooperative parking, shared parking, shared vehicles, restricted access, car pools, van pools, or transit pass subsidies.</p>	<p>Uses commonly used term and replaces “select communities” with a clearer description of affected areas</p>
<p>43. Amend policy LU 6.13: LU 6.13 Limit parking in City parks to discourage auto use and to limit the use of park land for parking private cars; where <u>there is a demonstrated need for parking is needed</u>, design parking facilities in ways that preserve open space, green space, and trees and other mature vegetation.</p>	<p>Clarifies policy, recommended by the Planning Commission</p>
<p>44. Single family and multifamily area goals and policies a. Amend goal LU G7: LU G7 Provide opportunities for detached single-family and other</p>	<p>Recommended by the Planning Commission to provide consistency across residential areas; prioritizes providing a range of housing types for a range of households and income levels.</p>

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<p>compatible housing options <u>for a wide range of households, including large families, and income levels</u> and to maintain an intensity of development that is appropriate for areas with limited access to services, ...</p> <p>b. Amend goal LU G8: LU G8 Allow a variety of housing types and densities that is suitable for a wide range of households and income levels, including opportunities for both homeownership and renting, and...</p> <p>c. Amend policy LU 8.9: LU 8.9 Establish lowrise multifamily zones to accommodate various housing choices <u>that are attractive and affordable to a broad range of households and incomes...</u></p>	
<p>45. Amend policy LU 7.2: LU 7.2 Use a range of single-family zones to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the current low-height and low-bulk character of single-family areas; • Protect designated <u>Limit development in</u> single-family areas that are predominantly in single family residential use or that have environmental or infrastructure constraints;... 	<p>The Planning Commission has recommended amending this policy to focus on areas with environmental or infrastructure constraints that make it unwise to build denser development. Removes language “protecting” single-family areas.</p>
<p>46. Amend policy LU 7.3 LU 7.3 Consider allowing redevelopment or infill development</p>	<p>Provides examples</p>

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<p>of single-family areas inside urban centers and villages, where new development would maintain the low height and bulk that characterize the single-family area, while allowing a wider range of housing types <u>such as detached accessory units, cottage developments or small duplexes or triplexes.</u></p>	
<p>47. Amend policy LU 7.5 LU 7.5 Encourage accessory dwelling units, <u>family sized units,</u> and other housing types that are attractive and affordable to a broad range of households and incomes, <u>including lower-income households, and that are compatible with the development pattern and building scale in single-family areas.</u></p>	<p>Specifies that housing for lower-income households is an important part of the City’s policy for single-family areas</p>
<p>48. Amend policy LU 9.7 LU 9.7 Provide opportunities for small local businesses to locate, especially in <u>ethnically culturally</u> relevant business districts throughout the City <u>city.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends clarifying terms</p>
<p>49. Amend LU 9.12: LU 9.12 Consider allowing <u>Allow</u> street-level residential uses outside pedestrian-oriented areas and, when street level residential uses are permitted, identify ways <u>apply standards that</u> to give ground-floor tenants privacy and to create visual interest along the street front.</p>	<p>Reflects current policy</p>
<p>50. Amend LU 9.23: LU 9.23 Use zoning and other planning tools in urban centers and</p>	<p>Displacement can occur outside of urban centers and villages</p>

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<p>urban villages to address displacement of businesses that provide culturally relevant goods and services to Seattle’s diverse population</p>	
<p>51. Add a new policy LU 9.24: <u>LU 9.24 Explore tools to encourage the creation of small commercial spaces in new development that can accommodate small, local, and culturally relevant businesses, particularly those businesses threatened with displacement.</u></p>	<p>Provides for future work related to supporting small businesses threatened with displacement.</p>

**Attachment 4:
Potential Amendments to the Transportation Element and Appendices**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>52. Define or make consistent discussion of transit service</p> <p>a. Align and/or define the terms used throughout the plan for very good transit service.</p> <p>b. Do not change these terms.</p>	<p>Various terms are used throughout the plan for “high-capacity transit” including “very good bus service” and “high-capacity transit station”. Only high-capacity transit is defined, and the definition for “high-capacity transit” does not provide enough detail for its use in other parts of the plan. This is confusing, and may be able to be better aligned. However, as currently used, different terms do mean different things, and changing them may result in unintended changes to policy. Councilmembers should consider using the terms “high-capacity transit station” and “frequent transit.”</p>

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>53. Reference the Climate Action Plan in the Introduction to the Plan</p>	<p>Provides a stronger connection to that plan</p>
<p>54. Add a new Policy T 1.7 related to climate action plan: <u>T 1.7 Recognize the connection between transportation choices and climate change and work to reduce vehicular emissions.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes goal of reducing climate change as one of the goals of the City’s transportation policies</p>
<p>55. Amend policy T 2.2: T 2.2 Ensure that the street network accommodates multiple travel modes, including transit, freight movement, pedestrians, <u>people with disabilities</u>, bicycles, general purpose traffic, and shared transportation options.</p>	<p>Recognizes people with disabilities as a group with unique needs in terms of the design of the street network</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>56. Amend T 2.5:</p> <p>T 2.5 Prioritize mobility needs in the street travelway based on safety concerns and <u>then</u> on the recommended networks and facilities identified in the respective modal plans.</p>	<p>Clarifies priority</p>
<p>57. Amend Policy T 2.8:</p> <p>T 2.8 Employ the following tactics to resolve potential conflicts for space in the right-of-way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Implement transportation and parking-demand management strategies to encourage more efficient use of the existing right of way</u> • Allocate needed functions across a corridor composed of several streets or alleys, if all functions cannot fit in a single street * * * • Encourage off-street accommodate for non-mobility uses, including parking and transit layover • Implement transportation and parking-demand management strategies to encourage more efficient use of the existing right-of-way 	<p>Prioritizes demand management strategies.</p>
<p>58. Reference transportation modal plans (Pedestrian Master Plan, Freight Master Plan etc.) in the introduction to Section 3: Transportation Options</p>	<p>Provides context for the policies</p>

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<p>59. Add a new policy T 3.x after T 3.7 as follows: T 3.x Work with transportation providers, such as car share, bike share and taxi providers, to provide access to their services throughout the city and to maintain the affordability of their services.</p>	<p>Recognizes importance of providing transportation options to historically underserved communities and to limit the geographic isolation of lower-income communities.</p>
<p>60. Amend Policy T 3.7: T 3.7 Optimize operations of bus rapid transit, RapidRide, and streetcar corridors by adjusting signals and consider providing exclusive transit lanes to promote faster travel times for transit than for automobile travel.</p>	<p>Recognizes that the City already provides exclusive transit lanes in key locations</p>
<p>61. Amend Policy T 4.2: T 4.2 Enhance <u>Increase</u> the public street tree canopy and landscaping in the street right-of-way.</p>	<p>Provides stronger direction</p>
<p>62. Amend Policy T 4.4: T 4.4 Work to <u>Manage the transportation system to support modes that</u> reduce the use of fossil fuels and promote the use of alternative fuels.</p>	<p>Provides stronger direction</p>
<p>63. Add new Policy T 5.10 regarding freight management: <u>T 5.10 Explore freight demand management strategies that could consolidate freight delivery trips and ensure vehicles are sized appropriately for an urban environment.</u></p>	<p>References an idea in the Freight Management Plan</p>
<p>64. Amend Policy T 6.1: T 6.1 Reduce collisions for all modes of transportation and work toward a transportation system that produces</p>	<p>Adds term of the Vision Zero plan</p>

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<p>zero fatalities and serious injuries <u>by 2030</u> to attain the City’s Vision Zero objectives.</p>	
<p>65. Amend Policy T 6.8: T 6.8 Emphasize safety as a consideration <u>Make safety a priority</u> in all transportation plans and projects, including project prioritization criteria.</p>	<p>Strengthens policy</p>
<p>66. Add a new Policy T 7.8: <u>T 7.8 Work with neighboring jurisdictions and King County to integrate the city’s bicycle network, developed as part of the Bicycle Master Plan, with regional bicycle facilities.</u></p>	<p>Connects bicycle infrastructure to regional planning</p>
<p>67. Amend Policy T 9.2: T 9.2 Provide a menu of transportation – demand management tools for future development to meet non-drive-alone mode share targets, <u>such as carpooling, transit, walking and biking.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends providing examples</p>
<p>68. Amend Policy T 9.3 T 9.3 Pursue strategies to reduce drive-alone trips in order to increase the ability of the city’s transportation network to carry people <u>and goods.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends recognizing the importance of goods delivery</p>
<p>69. Amend Policy T 9.4 T 9.4 Assess the mode share LOS standards over time <u>and</u> adjust as necessary <u>needed</u>, based on review of other City transportation measures.</p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends clarifying the policy</p>

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<p>70. Add a new policy T10.11: <u>T10.11 Explore innovative means of reducing maintenance costs such as reducing the width of roadbeds or converting right-of-way into other uses or when appropriate.</u></p>	<p>Seeks to reduce maintenance costs through better allocation of the right-of-way</p>
<p>71. Clarify meaning of Figures 1 and 2.</p>	<p>The labeling of the Figures 1 and 2 does not make clear whether the 2014 actual statistic and 2035 mode-share goal (“target”) refer to trips originating, terminating or circulating within the listed urban centers.</p>
<p>72. Amend Figure A-11 to show urban centers and key reference features such as major roadways. Provide explanatory language in discussion. Add 2015 mode share performance or edit the title.</p>	<p>Figure A-11 in the Transportation Appendix, a map, shows mode share goals for eight sectors that together cover all of Seattle. It does not show urban centers nor key reference features, like major roadways, to orient the reader and give meaning to the boundaries of the sectors. Furthermore, the map title indicates that the map shows both 2015 SOV mode share performance and 2035 SOV mode share performance targets; it does not.</p>

**Attachment 5:
Potential Amendments to the Housing Element and Appendices**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>73. 10-year Housing Goal</p> <p>a. Amend Housing Goal HG2 to delete the second sentence as follows:</p> <p>HG2 Help meet current and projected regional housing needs of all economic and demographic groups by increasing Seattle’s housing supply. Strive to add or preserve fifty thousand housing units by 2025, including twenty thousand rent/income restricted units.</p> <p>Add similar language to the discussion of the Housing element.</p> <p>b. Do not amend this goal</p>	<p>Goals for housing unit growth and employment growth over the next twenty years are included in “discussion sections” throughout the plan. The Council may want to align the Housing Element with the other elements by moving this statement to the Housing discussion.</p>

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>74. In the Introduction to the Element, reference the Growth and Equity Analysis.</p>	<p>Provides connection to relevant documents.</p>
<p>75. In the introduction provide a discussion of the Growth Strategy and Land Use elements’ impacts on housing</p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends making these links to provide more clarity for the reader</p>
<p>76. Replace “fair-housing” with “fair housing”</p>	<p>Words should not be hyphenated</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>77. Amend HG1: HG1 Help all people have <u>Provide</u> fair and equal access to housing <u>for</u> <u>all people</u> in Seattle.</p>	<p>Strengthens the goal and provides consistent with local, state and federal law.</p>
<p>78. Amend H 1.3: H 1.3 Encourage actions, such as affirmative marketing and fair-housing education and enforcement, to overcome <u>Work to overcome</u> historical patterns of segregation, promote fair-housing choices, and foster inclusive communities that are free from discrimination <u>through actions, such as affirmative marketing and fair-housing education and enforcement.</u></p>	<p>Strengthens policy by rearranging it to put the intended outcomes up front</p>
<p>79. On page 96, clarify the Council’s role in HALA and reference the Growth and Equity Analysis</p>	<p>The discussion under “Supply of Housing” does not reflect the joint Council-Mayoral genesis of HALA and could benefit from a reference to the Growth and Equity Analysis</p>
<p>80. Add a new policy H 1.6: <u>H 1.6 Work to decrease disparities in homeownership by race and ethnicity.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes gap in homeownership equity</p>
<p>81. Add a new policy H 1.7: <u>H 1.7 Support the development and preservation of affordable housing in areas with a high risk of displacement through tools and actions such as land banking, public or non-profit acquisition of affordable buildings and mixed-income development.</u></p>	<p>Adds tools</p>
<p>82. Amend policy H 2.5: H 2.5 <u>Monitor the supply of housing</u></p>	<p>Builds monitoring of the housing supply into the policy</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p><u>and encourage</u> Encourage the replacement of housing that is demolished or converted to nonresidential or higher-cost residential use.</p>	
<p>83. Add a new policy H 2.6: <u>H 2.6 Seek to identify affordable housing at risk of displacement and to apply measures to mitigate that displacement ahead of planned upzones.</u></p>	<p>Allows for displacement mitigation measures to be built into upzones</p>
<p>84. Amend policy H 5.24 H 5.24 Support financially sustainable strategies, <u>such as community land trusts, mixed-income housing requirements and limited equity housing co-ops,</u> to provide homeownership opportunities for low-, moderate-, and middle-income households, especially for families with children, in part to enable these households to have a path toward wealth accumulation.</p>	<p>Provides examples of these tools</p>
<p>85. Add a new policy H 5.25 <u>H 5.25 Work to mitigate the potential demolition of housing units that are affordable to low-income households without subsidies.</u></p>	<p>Adds a strategy to mitigate demolition of existing affordable housing.</p>

**Attachment 6:
Potential Amendments to the Capital Facilities Element and Appendices**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>86. Amend CF 1.1: CF 1.1 Assess the policy and fiscal implications of potential major capital facility investments as part of the City’s capital decision-making process. The evaluation should include consideration of a capital project’s:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and functional plans; • effects on Seattle’s environmental, social, economic, and human health over the lifetime of the investment; • contributions to an equitable distribution of facilities and services <u>especially to correct historic under-investment in low-income areas</u>; • ability to support urban centers and villages that are experiencing or expecting high levels of residential and employment growth <u>or those with lower access to the</u> 	<p>Strengthens race and social equity aspects of this policy</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p><u>benefits of City-sponsored capital facilities; and</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> total costs of ownership over a project’s life, including construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning. 	
<p>87. Reference Race and Social Equity in introduction to Capital Facilities section on “Facility Siting”</p>	<p>Connects policies to equity theme</p>
<p>88. Add a new policy CF 4.8: <u>CF 4.8 Seek to mitigate impacts of City projects on adjacent communities, especially lower-income residents and small businesses, in order to reduce the possibility of displacement.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes potential impacts of capital facility projects.</p>
<p>89. Amend policy CF 5.2 CF 5.2 Work with other public or nonprofit agencies to identify and pursue new colocation, and joint-use <u>and temporary use</u> opportunities in public facilities for community programs, services, <u>performances, exhibits</u> and meetings.</p>	<p>Includes the arts in the policy, recognizes that sometimes there are short-term use opportunities</p>
<p>90. Amend policy CF 5.3 CF 5.3 Partner with Seattle Public Schools to plan for expected growth in student population, <u>explore opportunities to reduce the costs of developing new schools,</u> encourage the siting of new school facilities in or near urban centers and villages, and make it easy for students and families to walk and bike to school.</p>	<p>Recognizes that the City may have a role in reducing school construction costs</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
91. Capital Facilities Appendix, Page 529, add an additional goal for parks acquisition as follows: <u>3. Provide access to open space and recreation activities for marginalized populations and in areas that have been traditionally underserved.</u>	Helps to make equity a consideration in acquisition of park land, consistent with policy P 1.1

**Attachment 7:
Potential Amendments to the Utilities Element and Appendices**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>92. Municipal Broadband</p> <p>a. Add an affirmative commitment to study and potentially implement a municipal broadband system in the Comprehensive Plan.</p> <p>b. Do not add municipal broadband to the plan.</p>	<p>Members of the public remain interested in development of a municipal broadband system. Last year, the City decided not to pursue such a system at this time. The Council may want to signal an intent to continue to consider Municipal Broadband over the long term as circumstances change.</p>

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>93. Amend policy U 2.5 and add a new policy U 2.8:</p> <p>U2.5 Pursue the long-term goal of diverting most of the city’s solid waste away from landfills by increasing recycling, reducing consumption, and promoting products that are made to be reused, repaired, or recycled back into nature or the marketplace.</p> <p><u>U 2.8 Work to reduce consumption of goods and products with negative environmental impacts such as plastic bags or bottles.</u></p>	<p>Reduction in consumption is a different type of strategy than waste diversion, adds examples.</p>
<p>94. Add a new policy U 2.9</p> <p><u>U 2.9 Monitor waste reduction programs and develop new strategies when goals are not being met.</u></p>	<p>Provides for ongoing monitoring of waste reduction programs</p>
<p>95. Add references to the utility strategic plans</p>	<p>As key implementing plans, they should be acknowledged in the Utilities Elements</p>

**Attachment 8:
Potential Amendments to the Economic Development Element**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
96. Mention regional economic development plans and activities in the introduction to the element	Ties the plan to regional efforts
97. Mention the Equitable Development Implementation Plan in the introduction to the Commercial Districts section of the plan.	The Equitable Development Implementation Plan is one of the tools that the City is using to implement the policies in this section.
98. Add a new policy ED 1.7 related to support for businesses in areas undergoing redevelopment: <u>ED 1.7 Seek new tools to support the creation of spaces attractive and affordable to businesses threatened with displacement so that small businesses are able to remain in their neighborhoods.</u>	The recommended plan included a policy that is targeted at businesses that serve marginalized communities and are at risk for displacement, this policy is intended to support work to identify strategies to support affordable commercial spaces.
99. Add a new policy ED 1.8 related to Business Improvement Areas (BIAs): <u>ED 1.8 Support formation of Business Improvement Areas to help provide clean and safe services, marketing and promotion, business and economic development planning, community appearance and pedestrian environment, urban design,</u>	Recognizes the important role of BIAs

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p><u>advocacy, and organizational development/administration in commercial districts.</u></p>	
<p>100. Add a new policy ED 2.6 related to the development of new industry clusters of innovative small businesses: <u>ED 2.6 Seek to identify and support innovative small businesses that could form new industry clusters.</u></p>	<p>As the economy continues to evolve, the City should support the development of new and innovative industries through small business development.</p>
<p>101. Add a new policy ED 3.8 related to quality-of-life: <u>ED3.8 Recognize and maintain a high-quality of life for all residents as one of Seattle’s competitive advantages.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes quality of life as one of Seattle’s competitive advantages while acknowledging the importance of focusing on maintain a high quality-of-life for lower-income residents.</p>
<p>102. Amend ED 4.3: Encourage all businesses to pay a living wage, provide necessary employment benefits, and <u>train and hire local residents so that the existing workforce can participate in the city’s shared prosperity.</u></p>	<p>Encourages shared prosperity</p>
<p>103. Add a new policy ED 4.7 related to older workers: <u>ED 4.7 Support efforts to provide training and job placement for older workers and others who may have unique challenges finding employment.</u></p>	<p>Provides a focus on this group that is not always part of economic development programs</p>
<p>104. Add a new policy ED 4.8 related to community development in areas with low access to opportunity <u>ED 4.8 Work with the local community in areas with low</u></p>	<p>Ties the recommendations of the Equitable Development Implementation Plan to the Economic Development Element</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<u>access to opportunities to provide training and education opportunities such as culturally relevant early learning training, community college centers and food industry training.</u>	

**Attachment 9:
Potential Amendments to the Environment Element**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
105. Mention the Equity and Environment Initiative as a key document in the introduction to the Element	Connects the Equity & Environment Initiative to the Comprehensive Plan
106. Mention the Green Ribbon Commission Recommendations and the Climate Action Plan in the discussion section of the Element	The 2012 Green Ribbon Recommendations set the stage for the Climate Action Plan, both should be referenced in the Comprehensive Plan discussion of climate.
107. Amend policy EN 3.1 EN 3.1 Expand transit, walking, bicycling, and shared-transportation infrastructure and services to provide safe, <u>affordable</u> and effective options for getting around that produce low or zero emissions, <u>particularly for low-income households and communities of color.</u>	Increases equity component of policy
108. Amend policy EN 3.2: <u>Aspire to Implement the urban village strategy with the goal of meeting</u> the growing demand for conveniently located homes and businesses in pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods where residents can walk to a variety of recreation and service offerings, <u>in order to increase the</u>	Provides a clearer connection between the climate change goals of reducing automobile trips and the land use and transportation policies within the urban village strategy in addition to the race and social equity goals of the plan.

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p><u>number of trips that do not require automobile use and increase access to opportunity for low-income households and communities of color.</u></p>	
<p>109. Amend policy 4.2 and break it into two policies: EN 4.2 Prioritize actions that reduce risk and enhance resilience in populations nearest the likely impacts of climate change, including <u>actions that are driven by the communities most impacted by climate change.</u></p> <p><u>EN 4.3 Focus strategies to address the impacts of climate change, in particular, on the needs of especially marginalized populations and seniors, since these groups often have the fewest resources to respond to changing conditions and therefore may be more severely impacted.</u></p>	<p>The current policy is lengthy and can be strengthened by splitting it into two related ideas. Adds community-driven strategies.</p>
<p>110. Add a new policy EN 4.3 <u>EN 4.3 Partner with communities most impacted by climate change to identify local community assets, including infrastructure, cultural institutions, community centers, and social networks that can be supported and leveraged in adaption planning.</u></p>	<p>Connects climate change activities to local community resources.</p>
<p>111. Discuss the goals of the Equity and Environment Initiative in the introduction to the Environmental Justice section of the Element.</p>	<p>Provides connection to other key implementation plan.</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
112. Add a new policy EN 5.5: <u>EN 5.5 Work towards achieving racial and social equity in health outcomes so that members of all communities have the opportunity to live long healthy lives.</u>	Adds in equity in health outcomes to environmental justice section

**Attachment 10:
Potential Amendments to the Parks and Open Space Element**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>113. Parks Goals</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Maintain the current open space and recreation facility goals until revised goals are established via the development and adoption of the 2017 Parks Development Plan (PDP) or amendments to the Comprehensive Plan in 2017.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. Do not retain the goals in the current plan.</p>	<p>While the proposed Plan points to goals for the provision and distribution of Parks and Open Space in the PDP, it is uncertain what will be included in the updated Plan.</p>

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>114. Merge policies P 1.4 and 1.12: P 1.4 Reduce health disparities by making investments that provide access to open space and recreation activities for marginalized communities. P 1.12 Use <u>Make</u> investments in park facilities and programs to reduce health disparities by providing access to open space and recreational activities for all Seattle residents, <u>especially marginalized populations, seniors, and children.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission has recommended merging the two policies because the similar concepts in the two policies can be strengthened by merging them. Strengthens language.</p>
<p>115. Amend policy P 1.8: P 1.8 Encourage or require private</p>	<p>The second part of the sentence is covered by LU 5.5 regarding development standards: “Provide for</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>developers to incorporate on-site publicly accessible open space or to provide appropriate recreation opportunities for building tenants within new developments.</p>	<p>residents’ recreational needs on development sites by establishing standards for private or shared amenity areas such as rooftop decks, balconies, ground-level open spaces, or enclosed spaces.”</p>
<p>116. Amend policy P1.9: P 1.9 Consider the use of open space impact fees <u>and other financing mechanisms</u> to help fund open space system improvements that will serve the expected growth.</p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends this policy to broaden the discussion of financing options</p>
<p>117. Amend policy P 1.15 P 1.15 Provide for <u>Consider</u> access by transit, bicycle, and foot when acquiring, siting and designing new park facilities or improving existing ones.</p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends amending this policy to strengthen consideration of accessibility by non-automobile modes in the design of new or improved parks spaces</p>
<p>118. Add a policy P 1.16 regarding parks planning and community engagement: <u>P 1.16 Engage with community members to design and develop parks and facilities based on the specific needs and cultures of the communities the park is intended to serve.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends this policy that encourages development of parks facilities that recognize and promote diverse cultures. If a Community Involvement Element is proposed, a version of this policy may make more sense in that element.</p>
<p>119. Add a new policy P 1.17 to the Access to Open Space section: <u>P 1.17 Create innovative opportunities to use existing public land, especially in the right of way, for open space and recreation, including street plazas, pavement to parks, parklets, lidding of reservoirs, and community gardens.</u></p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends this policy that recognizes new parks strategies and opportunities for capitalizing on existing resources.</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
120. Move Policy 3.6 to the “Access to Open Space” Section rather than the “Maintaining Parks and Recreation Facilities” section: P 3.6 <u>1.18</u> Increase access to public land by assessing, managing, and cleaning up contaminated sites.	The Planning Commission recommends moving this because the policy talks about access to public land

**Attachment 11:
Potential Amendments to the Arts and Culture Element**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
121. Historic Preservation a. Add policy language recognizing the importance of historic preservation in the creative economy and cultural space and placemaking sections of the Element. b. Do not add more policy language regarding historic preservation.	The Mayor’s Plan has consolidated policies related to Historic Preservation in the Land Use Element, while referencing those policies in the discussion of the Arts and Culture Element. Councilmembers may want to retain some policy language related to historic preservation in sections of the Arts and Culture Element where historic preservation is particularly relevant.

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
122. Amend policy AC 2.1: AC 2.1 Recognize and expand the economic impact of arts and culture. <u>Consider ways to support arts and culture as part of an economic development strategy.</u>	Recognizes the connection to economic growth
123. Amend policy AC 2.3 AC 2.3 Encourage access to affordable workspaces for artists, <u>musicians</u> , arts, and cultural organizations.	Musicians can often need different types of spaces than visual or performing artists
124. Amend policy AC 2.4: AC 2.4 Improve technical-and financial-assistance programs to better target and serve both artists and arts organizations, <u>musicians and live music venues</u> of various sizes and at various stages of growth, representing a broad range of cultures. <u>Consider ways to make the City’s funding programs more accessible to small, independent artists, musicians and</u>	Provides focus on smaller organizations and individual artists and musicians

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p><u>arts organizations particularly from underrepresented communities.</u></p>	
<p>125. Add a new policy A2.5 under Creative Economy as follows: <u>AC 2.5 Work with public, not-for-profit and private organizations to support artists, arts organizations and cultural organizations to help them to thrive.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes the important partnerships the City has with other organizations related to art</p>
<p>126. Add a new policy A2.6 <u>AC 2.1 Recognize and regularly assess the economic impact of Seattle’s music and nightlife sector.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes the importance of music and nightlife to the creative economy</p>
<p>127. Amend the title of Section 3 of the Element: <u>“Youth Development and Arts Education”</u></p>	<p>Adding “Arts Education” better reflects the content of the section</p>
<p>128. Amend goal AC G3, and policies AC 3.4 and 3.5 related to arts education to include “music”</p>	<p>Highlights music education alongside arts education</p>
<p>129. Amend policies AC 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.8, 4.11 related to cultural spaces to include “music”</p>	<p>Highlights importance of space for musicians and music venues in placemaking</p>
<p>130. Add a new policy AC 4.12 <u>AC 4.12 Recognize the importance of live music and entertainment venues to the vibrancy of the city’s culture. Support the viability of these small businesses and nonprofits in areas undergoing development through policies that proactively engage and balance the interests of music venues and new residents.</u></p>	<p>Recognizes the importance of music venues in cultural life and the tension that sometimes arises between residential development and music venues</p>

**Attachment 12:
Potential Amendments to the Community Well-Being Element**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
131. Provide discussion of role of Community Engagement in the introduction of the element	The Planning Commission recommends making this connection to provide more clarity for the reader
132. Add a new policy CW 1.7 <u>CW 1.7 Collaborate with marginalized communities on strategies they identify to reduce and ameliorate displacement and related issues specific to those communities.</u>	Supports place-based anti-displacement strategies, if a Community Involvement Element is proposed, this may make more sense to include in that element.
133. Amend policy CW 3.3: CW 3.3 Collaborate with Public Health—Seattle & King County, private hospitals, and community health clinics to maximize access to health care coverage for preventive care, behavioral health, <u>family planning</u> , and long-term care.	Executive staff recommend removing family planning as too specific for the Comprehensive Plan. This is consistent with the general editorial approach taken by the Executive in preparing Seattle 2035. Council unanimously passed a resolution “affirming the Seattle’s support for Planned Parenthood and recognizing its vital role in providing health care” (Resolution 31624). The resolution included pregnancy testing and counseling, comprehensive sexual education, birth control for men and women, emergency contraception and abortion services in the recitals of the many health care services provided by Planned Parenthood.
134. Amend policies CW 7.5 and CW 7.7 CW 7.5 Consider related issues, such as transportation, <u>access to frequent transit</u> , and the need for	The Planning Commission recommends acknowledging frequent transit service in service delivery to connect human service planning to transit

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>dependent care, urban planning for health, human services, employment, education, and recreation programs.</p> <p>CW 7.7 Site new human service facilities in or near urban centers and villages, <u>considering access to frequent transit</u>, and use good-neighbor guidelines that consider the needs of consumers and the community.</p>	
<p>135. Move the Multi-Cultural City section of the element to the front of the element</p>	<p>The Planning Commission recommends doing this to emphasize the importance of this section in the context of race and social equity as a key theme in the plan</p>

**Attachment 13:
Potential Amendments to the Neighborhood Planning Element**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion
136. Direction for Future Neighborhood Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Add additional direction regarding future neighborhood plans b. Do not amend the element 	The Neighborhood Planning Element includes a policy to “prioritize neighborhood planning in areas expecting or experiencing significant change, primarily urban centers or villages, especially those that have not equitably benefited from the city’s growth.” Council may want to provide more information regarding other priorities for future neighborhood planning, such as areas that seek positive change that is not currently occurring, communities historically left out of planning priorities, or areas that are underserved whether or not change is expected.

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
137. Amend discussion to make it clear that neighborhood plan goals and policies are part of the Comprehensive Plan and carry the same weight as other goals and policies in the plan.	Some readers have found that this relationship is unclear and should be clarified.
138. Define “neighborhood plan” in the introduction to the section	The Planning Commission recommends being clearer about what neighborhood plan means in the context of Seattle’s Comprehensive Plan
139. Describe the role of neighborhood plans developed for urban center villages and the relationship between urban center village plans and urban center plans.	With the removal of the “urban center village” designation, the clear relationship between plans for areas like Belltown to the plan for Downtown Seattle will not be as evident. Continue to treat plans for urban center villages as neighborhood plans for their areas.

Potential Amendment	Discussion
140. Remove the third paragraph on page 159 referencing the Planning Commission's review of the neighborhood plan.	The Planning Commission has noted that over time, discussion of their 2009 assessment of neighborhood plans has become less pressing.

**Attachment 14:
Potential Amendments to the Glossary**

Policy Decisions

Potential Amendment	Discussion

Technical Amendments

Potential Amendment	Discussion
141. Add a definition or definitions of “culture” or “cultural.”	“Culture” and “cultural” have many different meanings. The terms are used in different ways in the plan. For example, compare the use of “cultural spaces” with “cultural identity”. The Plan may benefit from having one or more definitions of culture and cultural as they are used throughout the plan.
142. Delete definitions of “cultural resource”, “commercial land use”, “economic mobility”, “human-scale development”, “landscape screening”, “multifamily land use”, “single family land use”, “transit-oriented communities”	The recommended plan does not use these terms.
143. Add a definition of “walking distance” as: “generally assumed that people are willing to walk up to ½ mile to frequent, reliable transit and up to ¼ mile to other types of transit.”	The recommended plan does not define this term
144. Add a definition for “Level of Service” as “a standard used to measure the performance of a system, such as the transportation system.”	The recommended plan does not define this term
145. Add a definition for “transportation demand management” as “strategies to	The recommended plan does not define this term

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>reduce the number of single-occupant car trips, such as by providing more transit, or improving pedestrian and bicycle facilities.”</p>	
<p>146. Add a definition of “mode-share” as “the percentage of all trips made by a certain method or ‘mode’ of travel, such as single-occupant vehicles.”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>147. Add a definition of “flex area” or “flex zone” as “the portion of a right-of-way between vehicle travel lanes and the pedestrian area that can accommodate parking, loading, plantings, and street furniture.”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>148. Add a definition of “complete corridor” as “two or more parallel roadways that together serve all types of travel – cars, transit, freight, pedestrian and bicycle.”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>149. Add a definition of “shared use” as “in the right-of-way, this refers to two or more uses that occur in the same space at either the same or different time, such a curb lane that is used for parking most of the day, but for vehicle travel during the peak commute time.”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>150. Add a definition of “vibrant pedestrian environment” as “an area where transit, shops, restaurants, entertainment and</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
<p>other uses attract a variety of people traveling on foot.”</p>	
<p>151. Add a definition of “local access street” as “a non-arterial street that provides direct access to destinations.”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>152. Add a definition of “boulevard network” as “the roadways designated in the early 20th century Olmsted open space plan for the city, that generally include generous landscaping and medians”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>153. Add a definition of “on-street parking pricing” as “the amount of money charged to park a vehicle along a street; in some locations in the city, the amount may vary by time of day or day of the week”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>154. Add a definition of “roadway pricing strategies” as “fees charged for the use of a road, including tolls, or time- and distance-based charges to help fund improvements and to encourage efficient use of the roads”</p>	<p>155. The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>156. Add a definition of “regional transportation pricing” as “coordinated effort among governments in the region to set prices for parking, roadways or transit”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>
<p>157. Add a definition of “green infrastructure” as “the use of vegetation to absorb, slow and cleanse stormwater”</p>	<p>The recommended plan does not define this term</p>

Potential Amendment	Discussion
158. Add a definition of “vision zero” as “a program to improve roadway safety with the goal of having no fatalities and serious injuries”	The recommended plan does not define this term
159. Add a definition of “neighborhood plan” as “the goals and policies adopted included in the Comprehensive Plan for a subarea of the city”	The recommended plan does not define this term