

BALLARD REZONE AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

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Ballard Urban Design & Transportation Framework Community Engagement

Urban Design & Transportation Committee

Monthly Meetings from January 2014 – June 2016

Four Communitywide Workshops

Averaging 75 – 100 attendees

Briefings

Community groups, chamber, industrial interests, property owners







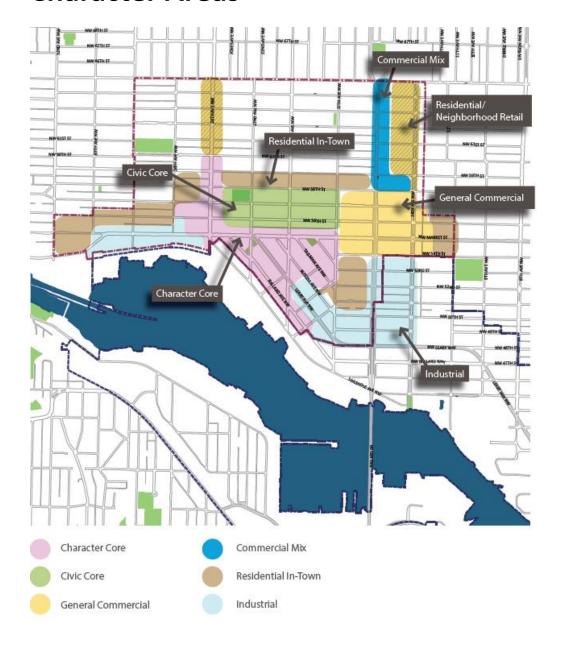








Character Areas



Community assessments of the role and character of each area informed the proposed development standards and zoning.

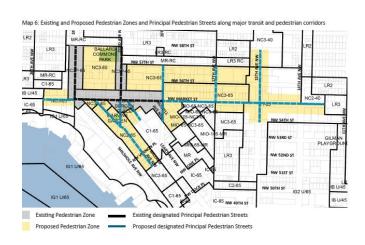




Proposed Rezones

Apply Neighborhood Commercial 3 Zone

Rezone from Commercial (C1 65) to Neighborhood Commercial 3 (NC3 65) to encourage pedestrian-oriented development along key walking and transit streets.

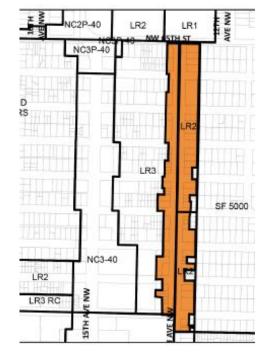


Add Pedestrian-designations & Designate Principal Pedestrian Streets

A P- designation encourages a walkable shopping district. It prohibits drive-in businesses and sets a minimum FAR. Buildings must include active businesses for 80% of the street-front, and awnings. Parking location and access is restricted.

Add Residential Commercial Suffix Zone

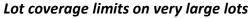
The Residential Commercial suffix (RC) allows small (up to 4,000 sf) commercial uses at the street level in multifamily neighborhoods. We recommend adding the RC suffix zone along sections of 14th Ave. NW to support small commercial uses meeting the daily needs of the neighboring residential area.



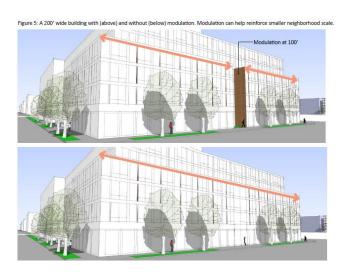
Area-Specific Development Standards

Facade modulation

We recommend a maximum facade width of 100' after which a portion of the building facade set back a minimum depth of 10' to reflect the historic scale. This will apply to facades located within 10' of the property line, and up to 45' in height.



We recommend a 80% lot coverage limit for development on parcels exceeding 40,000 square feet, with the remaining 20% of area being used for landscaping, sidewalk cafes, mid-block connections, and other amenities.





Area-Specific Development Standards

Maximum Structure Width

To help reinforce the neighborhood's historic building scale and character, we recommend a maximum building width of 250 feet.

Upper-level setbacks

We recommend upper–level setbacks on facades at 45' height to reduce shadows, increase sunlight at street level, and continue the neighborhood's human-scale street environment. Portions of a structure between 45' and 65' set back by an average of 10', and above 65' set back by an average of 15'.

Figure 10: Street with upper-level setbacks



Figure 19: Street without upper-level setbacks



Street-level Setbacks

We recommend that the street-level facing facade be set back from the15th Ave. NW lot line, by a minimum depth of 6' up to a maximum depth of 10' to create more space for development amenities that create a welcoming environment.

Figure 8: Proposed maximum building width is 250

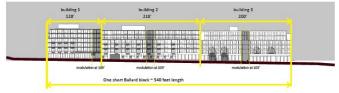
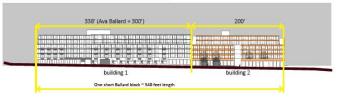


Figure 9: Likely development without maximum building width limit







A small setback can be used to create room for customer amenties like bicycle parking, seating, or lean rails close to bus and rail stops.