

# **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PERIODIC UPDATE- TRANSPORTATION WORKSHOP**

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Community and Economic Development Department

Public Works Department

April 11, 2024



# PROJECT TEAM



## **TONIGHT'S WORKSHOP**

1. Periodic Update – At a Glance
2. Transportation Element Overview
3. Discussion





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# WA STATE GROWTH MANAGEMENT



■ 2024 Due December 31<sup>st</sup>

■ 2025 Due June 30<sup>th</sup>

■ 2026 Due June 30<sup>th</sup>

■ 2027 Due June 30<sup>th</sup>

★ Starred counties are partially planning under the Growth Management Act

# WA STATE GROWTH MANAGEMENT



## Required Elements

Land Use	Housing	Capital Facilities
Utilities	<i>Transportation</i>	Climate Change and Resiliency (new)



**City of Edgewood Comprehensive Plan**

**Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies**

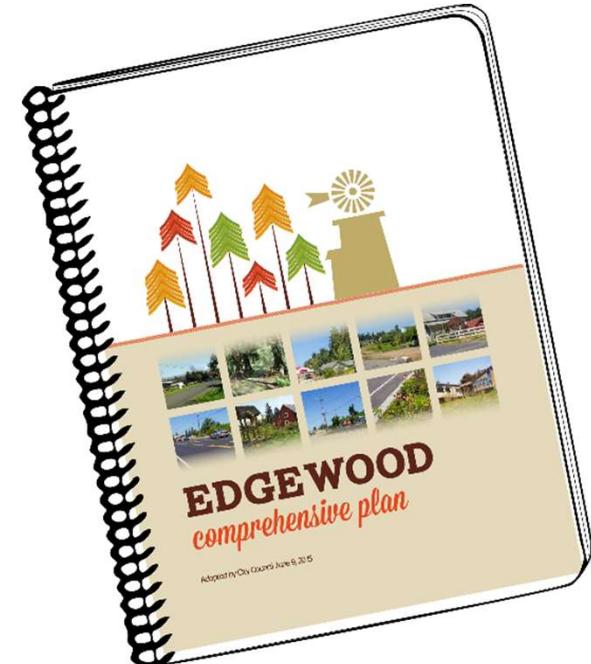
**Puget Sound Regional Council Vision 2050**

**Washington State Growth Management Act**

# EDGWOOD COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING



- 1990 Growth Management Act (GMA) Adoption
- 1993 North Hill Community Plan (Pierce Co.)
- 1996 Edgewood Incorporation
- 2001 Edgewood's First Comprehensive Plan
- 2008 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update
- 2015 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update
- 2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update**



# PERIODIC UPDATE TIMELINE



## FALL 2023

Set up for success



## SPRING 2024

Propose strategies,  
based on public input



## FALL-WINTER 2024

Finalize the plan and updated  
policies with Planning Commission  
and City Council



## WINTER 2023-24

Develop strategies, and  
receive public input



## SUMMER 2024

Refine the strategies proposed,  
and final environmental  
impacts analysis



# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



- September 21<sup>st</sup> Kick-Off Open House
- October 26<sup>th</sup> Visioning Workshop
- October- November Community Preferences Survey
- February 22<sup>nd</sup> Housing and Land Use Workshop
- February-March Housing and Land Use Survey
- Tonight's Workshop
- **NEW** Transportation Survey
  - Open until May 12

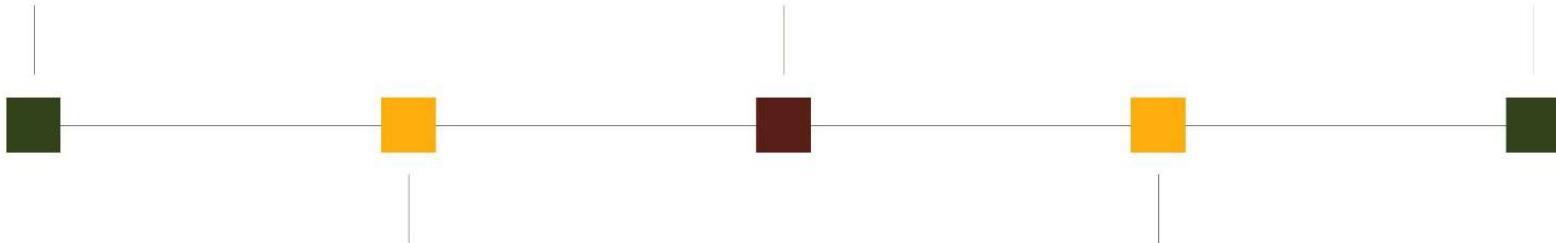


# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



## FALL 2023

- “Kick-off” Open House
- Request Citizen Photos and Art
- Key Policies Workshop
- Community Preference Survey



## SPRING 2024

- Transportation Workshop and Survey
- Land Use & Housing Follow-up Workshop

## FALL 2024

- “Wrap-Up” Open House
- Final Public Meetings

## WINTER 2023-24

- Stakeholder Outreach
- Land Use & Housing Workshop and Survey

## SUMMER 2024

- Stakeholder Outreach
- Public Comment on Draft Plan

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## 2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update

### Introduction

In 2023 and 2024, Edgewood will be updating its Comprehensive Plan. In other words, Edgewood will be planning for its future. Comprehensive Plans set the goals and policies that serve as the day-to-day guide for City staff and representatives, including City Council and the Mayor.

The concept of "growth management" is central to city planning in Washington State. The Growth Management Act (GMA) is a series of state statutes, first adopted in 1990, focused on managing population growth throughout Washington. The Growth Management Act requires cities and counties to update their own Comprehensive Plans to stay current on population growth and other key concerns. This means that cities have a say in how they want to plan for their future.

The Comprehensive Plan covers important topics like housing, transportation, parks and recreation, capital facilities, utilities, land use and zoning, economic development, and the environment. The update process looks closely at these topics to make sure that Edgewood continues to grow in line with the community's vision.

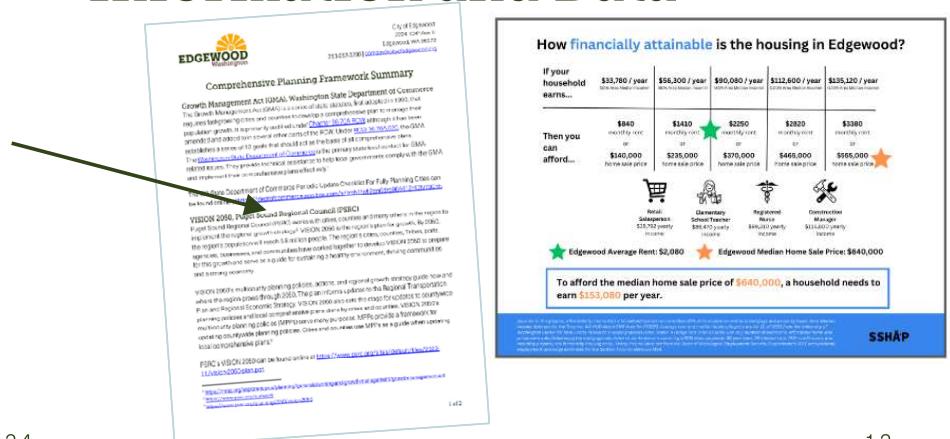
### Public Participation

The backbone of every Comprehensive Plan is community input. Through the public engagement process, people help shape the future of the city by voicing what is important to them. If you would like to receive e-mail updates on this update, please contact Senior Planner Evan Hietpas at [evan@cityofedgewood.org](mailto:evan@cityofedgewood.org) or 253-952-3299.

## Recorded Meetings



## Information and Data





## TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT OVERVIEW

# WHAT IS A “TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT”?



## What is our plan?

(goals/policies, modal system maps)

## How can we make it happen?

(projects, financial)

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Transportation Element (TE) is a “chapter” in the Comprehensive Plan

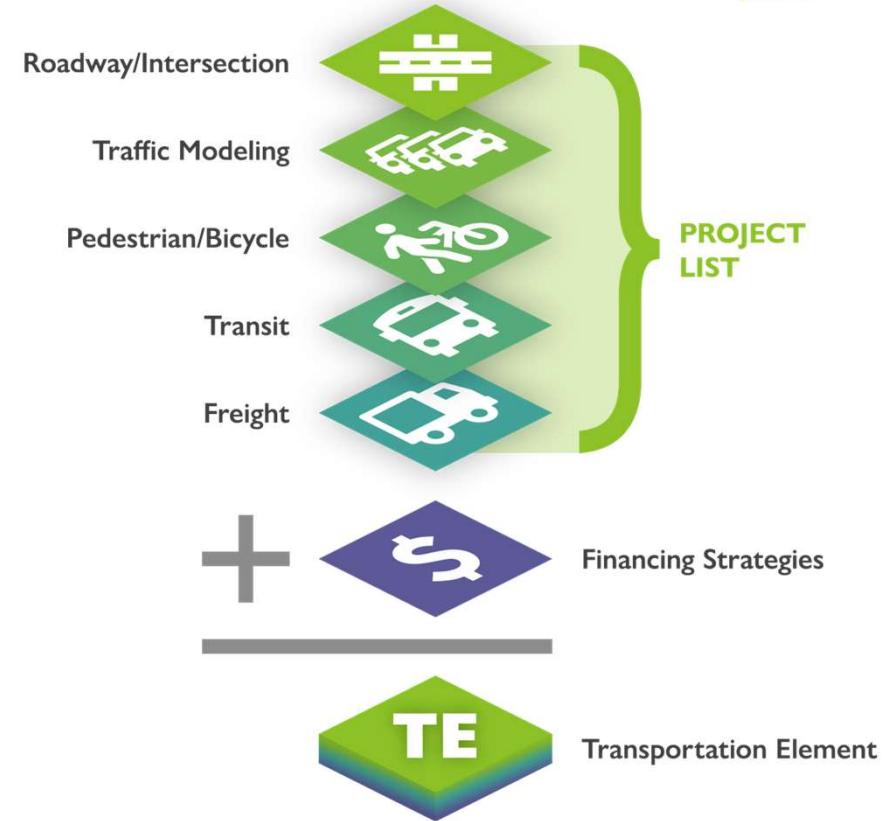
It can be an “executive summary” of a larger document (i.e., Transportation Plan)



# KEY PLAN UPDATES

## What's Going to be Different from the Existing Element?

- Horizon year extended from 2035 to 2044
- Incorporate recent planning work
- Updated long-term project list and costs
- Financial strategies to identify how the high priority projects can be implemented



# PLANNING PROCESS



## Steps to updating the Transportation Plan



## ACCOUNTING FOR EMERGING TRENDS

- Equity, Health, and Safety
- Climate Change
- Autonomous, Connected, Electric, Shared Mobility
- Telework, Telehealth, E-Learning, E-Commerce

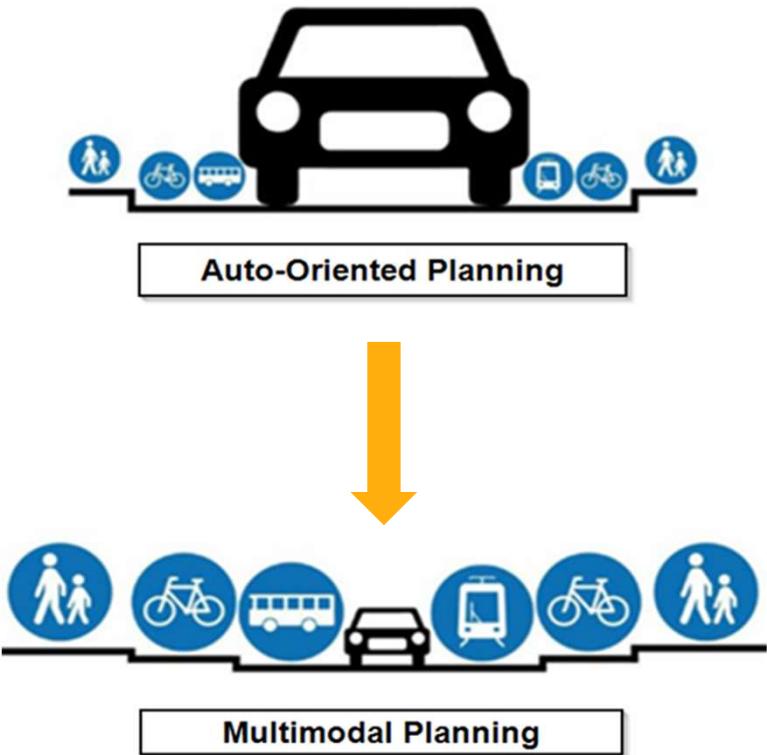


# TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION

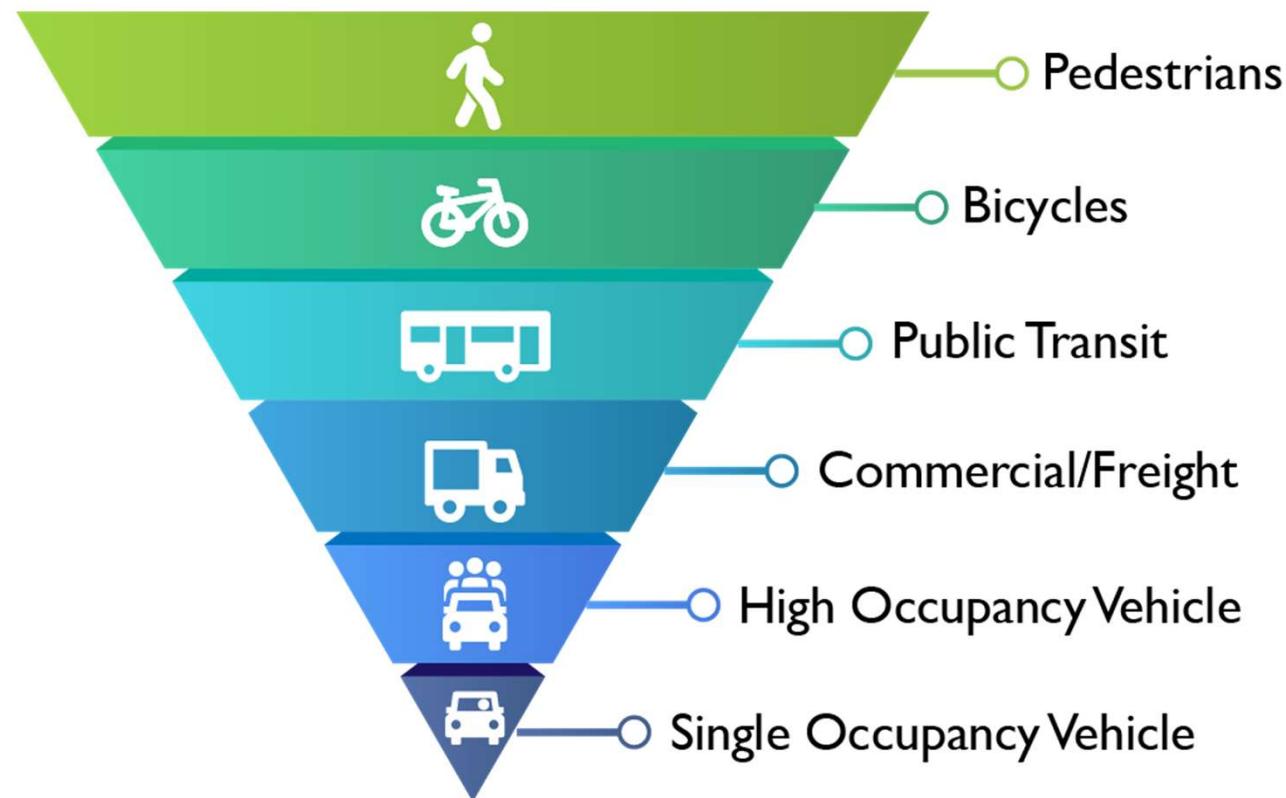


## State: WA State Growth Management Act (GMA)

- Assess the transportation needs of a community
- Determine how to provide appropriate transportation facilities for current and existing residents
- Goal: Encourage efficient multimodal transportation systems



# WHO ARE WE PLANNING FOR?



## BALANCE

**ALL** mobility needs for **ALL** modes must be carefully considered, **BALANCED**, and implemented for the **MULTIMODAL** transportation system to provide space and safety for **EVERYONE**.

# MULTIMODAL LEVEL OF SERVICE (MMLOS)



## State: GMA continued...

- State Legislature passed HB 1181 in 2023
- Requires that the Transportation Element address multimodal service and plan for non-motorized travel modes
- Multimodal Level of Service (MMLOS) evaluation criteria and standards are being developed and adopted

RCW 36.70A.070 Comprehensive Plans – Mandatory Elements - *2023 amendments from ESSHB 1181*

"The plan shall be an internally consistent document and all elements shall be consistent with the future land use map."

(6) "A transportation element that implements, and is consistent with, the land use element."

(A) "Inventory of ..... *active transportation facilities, ...*  
*(sidewalks, bikeways, trails)*

(B) "*Multimodal* level of service [LOS] standards for all locally owned arterials, *local & regional* transit routes *in urban areas ... and active transportation facilities* to serve as a gauge to judge performance of the system."

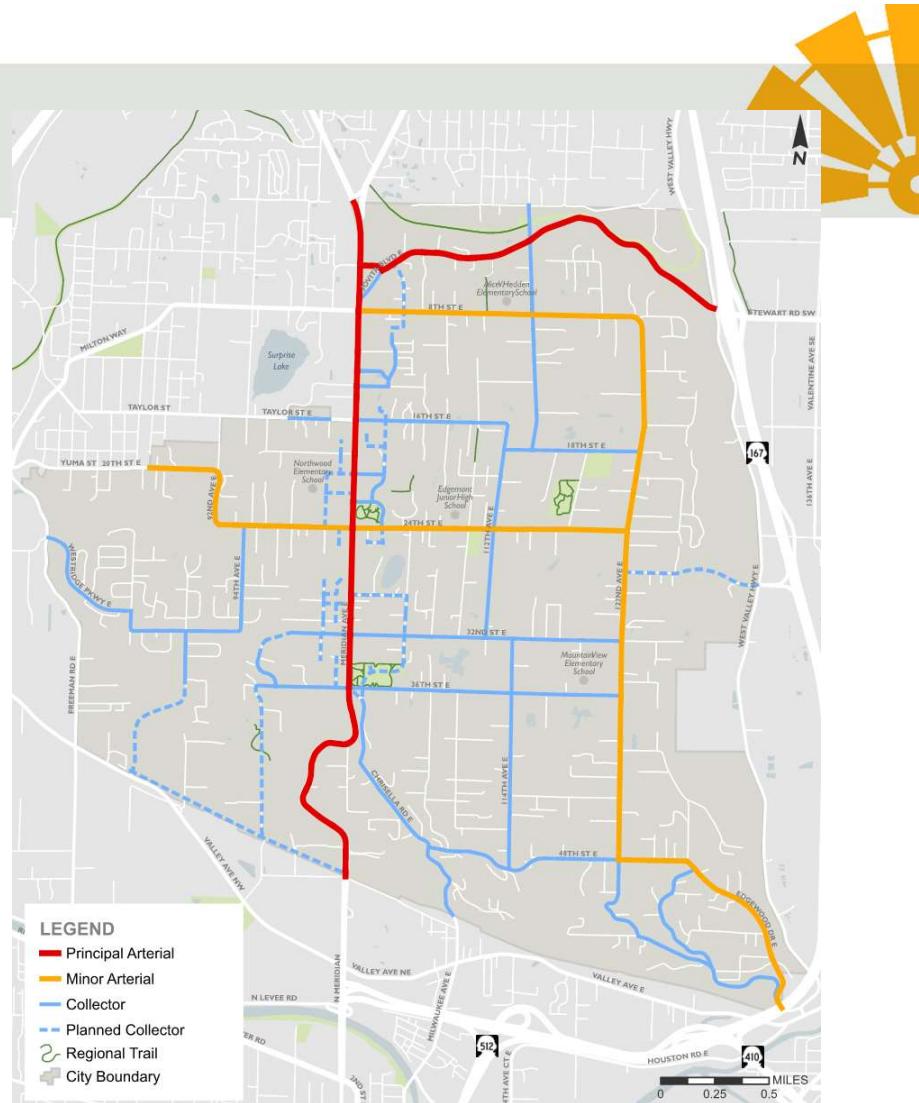
(C) For State-owned transportation facilities, *multimodal* LOS standards for highways ...

(b) "Local jurisdictions must adopt and enforce [concurrency] ordinances to prohibit development that causes the level of service .... to decline below adopted standards" *[However, agency can't deny development if it agrees to fund adequate active transportation, transit service, or TDM measures that mitigate the impacts to MMLOS]*

# EXISTING CONDITIONS

# Roadway Network

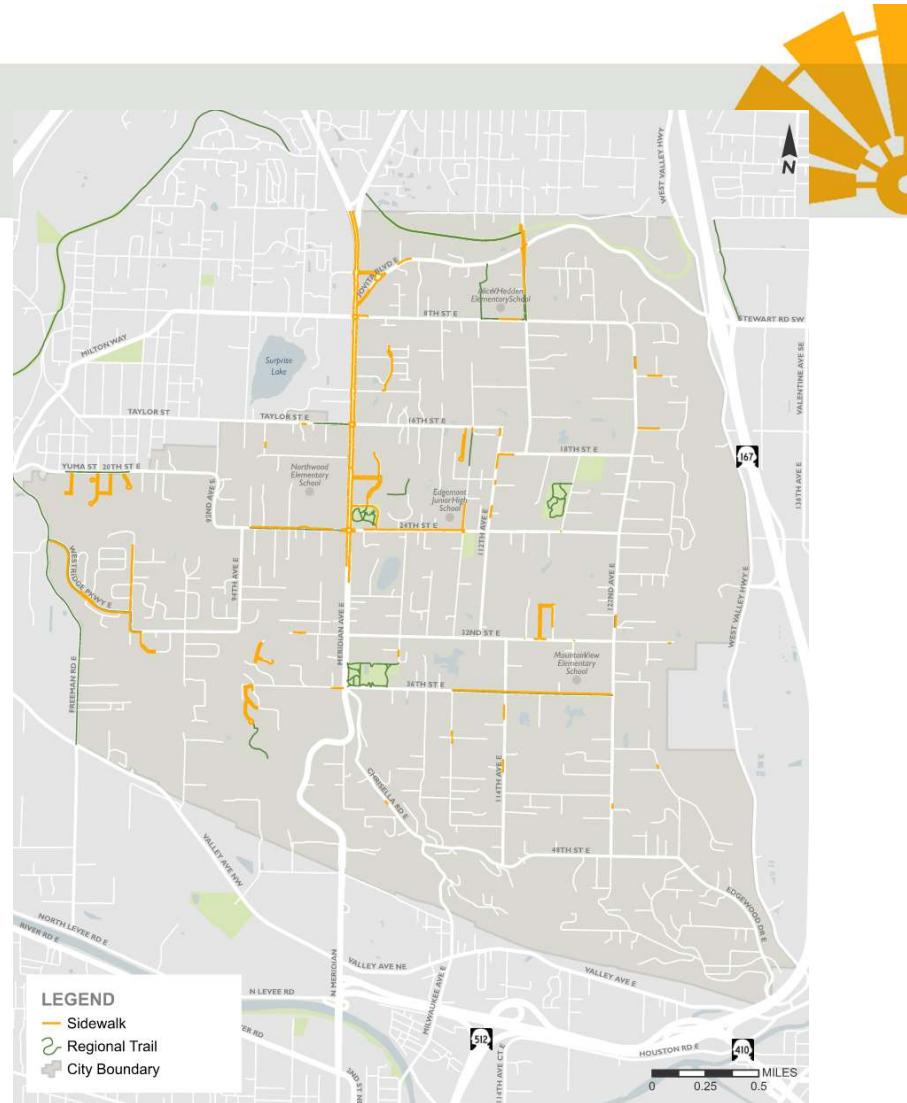
- Functional classification provides framework for intended roadway function
  - Balance of throughput with accessibility



# EXISTING CONDITIONS

# Pedestrian / Bicycle Network

- Limited ped/bike facilities
- Primarily along Meridian Ave and near schools
- New facilities added in areas as they are developed
- Interurban Trail



# EXISTING CONDITIONS

## Collision History

- Concentrated mostly along Meridian Ave and Jovita Blvd
- Fatal/Severe Injury: 12 collisions
- Ped/Bike-Involved: 11 collisions



## BUILD FROM OTHER PLANNING EFFORTS

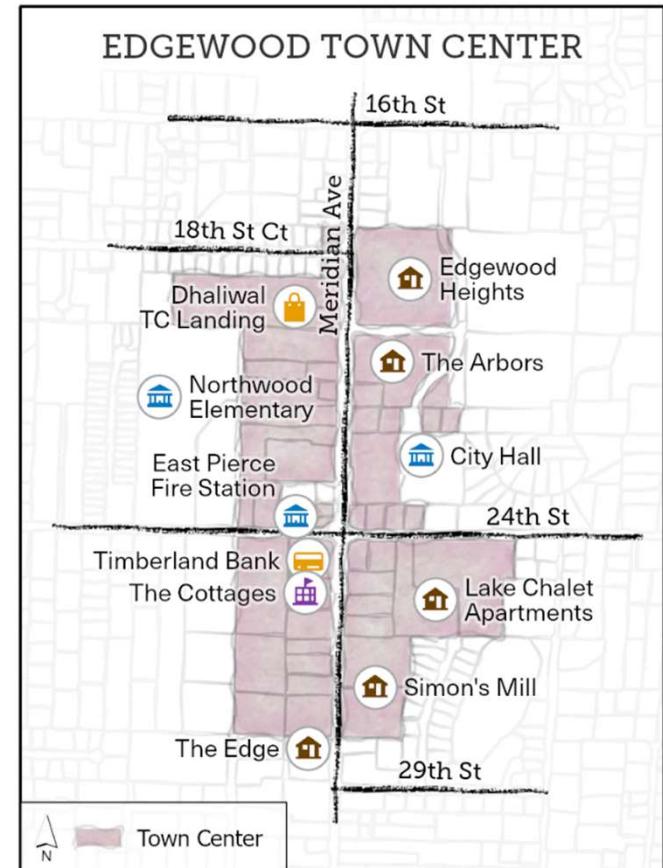


The Comprehensive Plan is building on and incorporating the findings of other transportation-related planning efforts.

- 2015 Transportation Element
- Town Center Subarea Plan
- Meridian Avenue (SR 161) Corridor Study
- ADA Transition Plan

# TOWN CENTER SUBAREA PLAN

- Subarea Plan is being updated to create a walkable, connected community in the City's center
- Incorporates the City's parallel road vision to increase vehicular accessibility
- Goals and vision of the subarea plan will be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan



# MERIDIAN AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY

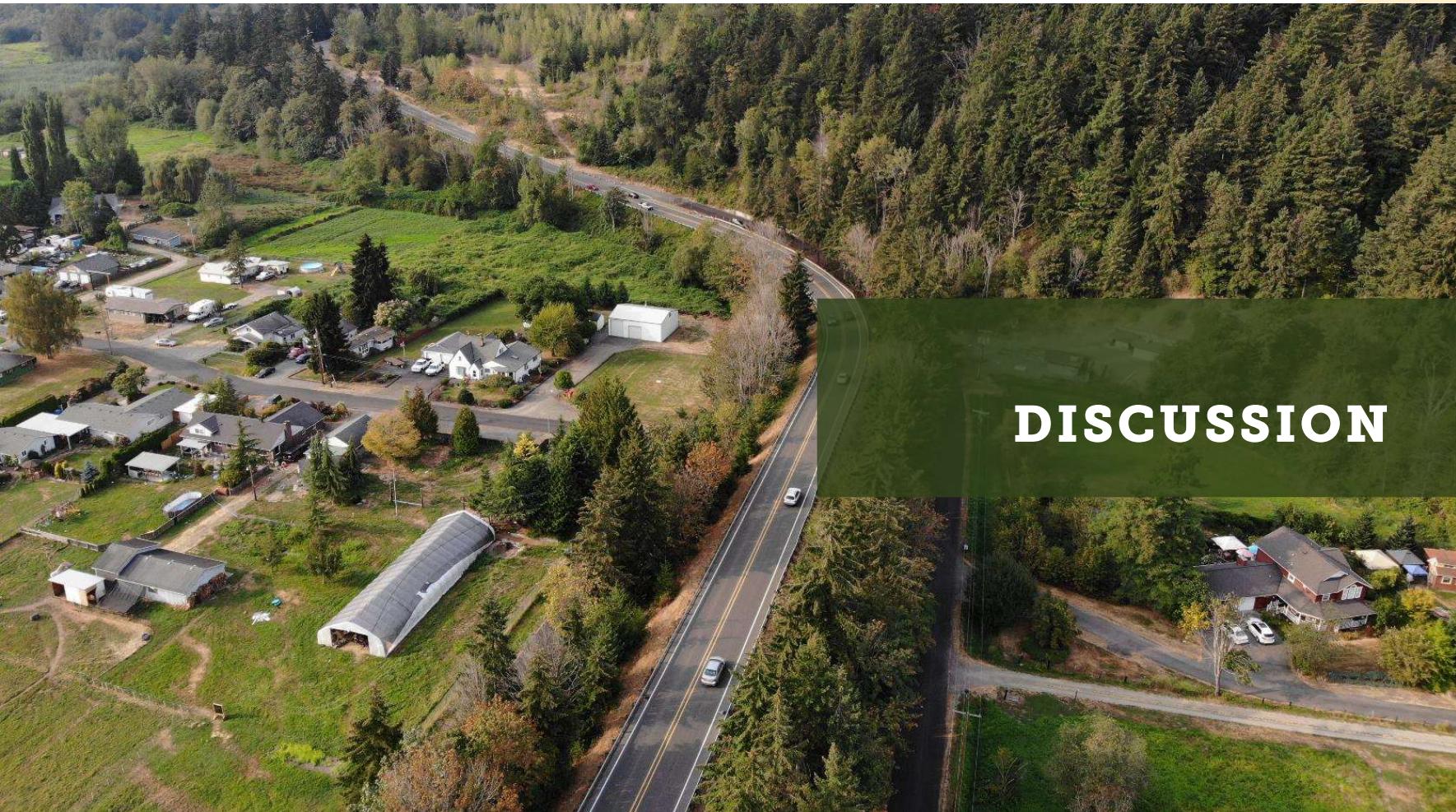
- Developed proposed concept for the corridor based on community feedback
- Proposed concept is being finalized with project stakeholder group
- Proposed corridor study and concept will be presented to City Council in Spring 2024
- Proposed improvements will be incorporated into the Comp Plan



# ADA TRANSITION PLAN

- Draft plan completed in early 2024
- Identifies recommendations for removing pedestrian barriers
- Plan requires review/processing per SEPA
- Pedestrian/ADA strategies and goals will be incorporated into the Comp Plan





## DISCUSSION

# DISCUSSION



What are your mobility needs? How do you get around the City?

What are key destinations within the City that need better connectivity?

What current transportation challenges do you experience when traveling around the City? Are there specific locations at which these issues arise?

What transportation facilities/ improvements are necessary to accommodate anticipated growth in Edgewood?

## STAY IN TOUCH

Sign up for our e-mail list to receive project updates and announcements.

Participate in upcoming surveys and workshops.

Share your thoughts and feedback:

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Monitor our project webpage for materials.

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