145th Street Station Subarea Plan Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Planning Commission January 29, 2015

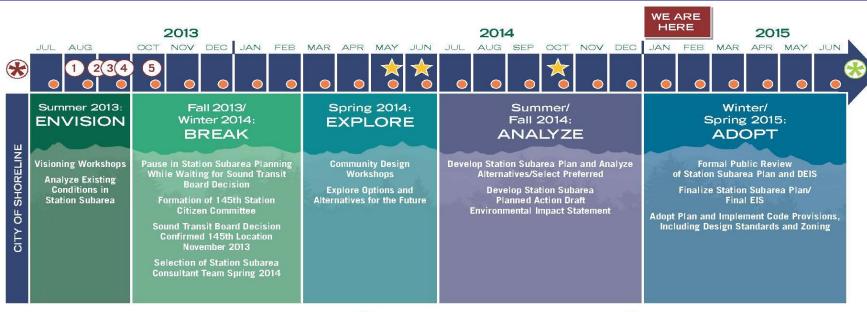


Tonight's Presentation

- Draft EIS Planned Action Purpose and Process
- 2. Draft EIS Contents and Highlights
- 3. Next Steps, Questions & Answers



145th Station Subarea Plan Timeline





Every 4th Thursday of the Month from 7:00-8:30 pm in Room 301 of City Hall



A) May 22, 2014: 145SCC Workshop Pre-Meeting
1) Design Workshops, Part I—Brainstorming Ideas
2) Design Workshops, Part II—Alternatives and Possibilities



May 22nd, 2013 Kick-off/Informational Public Meeting



2013 Visioning Workshops, Meetings, and Events:

- 1) July 11th Korean Community Event
- 2) August 1st Visioning Workshop for 145th/155th
- 3) August 7th Event for Folks of Modest Means 4) August 22nd 185SCC Visioning Workshop for 185th
- 5) September 19th City of Shoreline Final Visioning Workshop



Through adoption of a subarea plan, which will include zoning and development regulations, the City will set the stage for how the neighborhood may transition over time. Market forces and homeowner decision-making about how and when to redevelop or sell properties will determine the pace and degree of transformation.

Draft EIS Public Review Period

- Draft EIS Published: January 17, 2015
- 145SCC/Community Meeting: January 22, 2015
- Planning Commission Public Hearing on DEIS: February 5, 2015
- Public Comment Period through February 17, 2015
- City Council Selects Preferred Alternative for Study in FEIS: February 23, 2015
- Prepare Planned Action Ordinance, Subarea Plan, and FEIS



Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Subarea Plan Adoption Process

Tentative schedule, subject to change.

Scoping for Draft EIS

October 2014 Workshop

Preparation of Draft EIS

Confirm and Analyze Three Alternatives and Mitigation Measures

Public Review of DEIS

January 17, through February 17, 2015 January 22 Community Meeting

Planning Commission Public Hearing on DEIS

February 5, 2015

City Council Selects Preferred Alternative for Further Analysis

February 23, 2015

City Council Review and Adoption

June 2015

Planning Commission Public Hearing

Subarea Plan, including Zoning and Development Regulations, and Planned Action Ordinance

May 7, 2015

Prepare Final EIS and Planned Action Ordinance

February through April 2015

Subarea Plan Discussion at Planning Commission

Development Regulations February through April 2015



Planned Action Purpose

- To emphasize quality environmental review of early planning efforts and early public input to shape decisions.
- To provide more detailed environmental analysis during formulation of proposals, rather than at the project permit review stage.
- Environmental analysis helps City identify impacts of potential development and specific mitigation measures needed to support the planning proposal.



Planned Action Process

- Detailed environmental analysis at planning stage.
- Projects required to demonstrate consistency with thresholds analyzed; confirmed through a SEPA checklist.
- All federal, state, and local regulatory requirements continue to apply.
- Projects undergoing development agreements would be subject to additional public review process.



Development of Alternatives



Community Workshops: To Help Shape Alternatives





What We Heard:

- Smart growth and transit-oriented development in station subarea make sense.
- Create a green network of pedestrian and bicycle connections, green streets, parks, open spaces, and other features.
- Key organizing concepts:
 - 1. Frame redevelopment around parks/open space assets
 - 2. Frame redevelopment along key corridors (5th and 155th)
 - 3. Concentrate redevelopment around the planned LRT station
 - Evolved into Alternative 2—Connecting Corridors and Alternative 3—Compact Community

What We Heard:

Concerns about building heights and compatibility with neighborhood.

After October 9, 2014 workshop, the City revised Alternative 2 to include MUR-65' as base height around station.

- Focus on residential housing choices and supporting neighborhood commercial.
- Effective transitions between housing and compatibility with existing single family homes will be important in redevelopment.

Community input, market assessment, and existing City policies all shaped the alternatives.



DEIS Content



Draft EIS Contents

Chapter 1 Summary

Chapter 2 Description of the Alternatives

Chapter 3 Affected Environment, Analysis of Potential

Impacts, Mitigation Measures, and Significant

Unavoidable Adverse Impacts

Chapter 4 References

Chapter 5 Distribution List



DEIS Analysis Topics

- Land Use Patterns, Plans, and Policies
- Population, Housing, and Employment
- Multimodal Transportation
- Streams, Wetlands, and Surface Water Management
- Parks, Recreation, Open Space, Natural Areas, and Priority Habitat Areas
- Schools, Police, Fire, and Other Public Services
 - Utilities and Energy Use

Draft EIS Alternatives

- Alternative 1—No Action (No Changes in Zoning)
- Alternative 2—Connecting Corridors (growth around planned light rail station, as well as along 5th Avenue and 155th Street corridors—could be both or one of these)
- Alternative 3—Compact Community (more compact and higher density growth around planned light rail station)

Note: Light rail implemented under ALL alternatives.



The Alternatives



Alternative 1—No Action



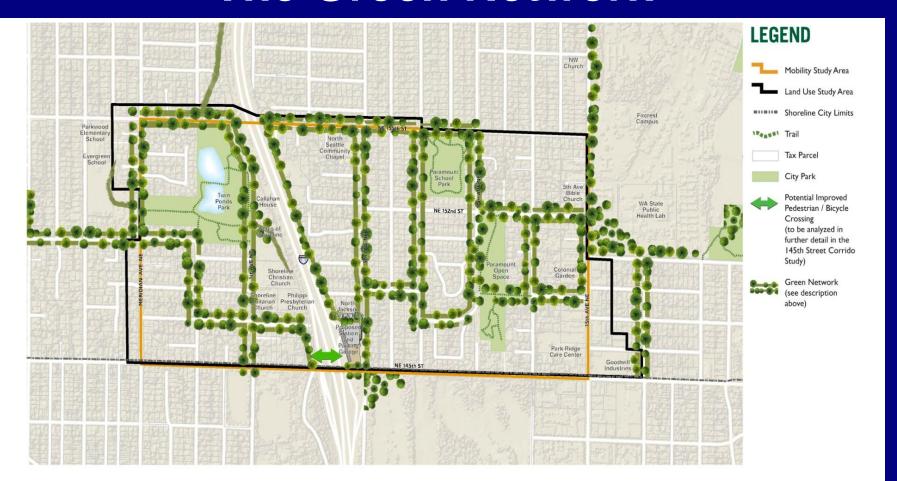
Alternative 2—Connecting Corridors



Alternative 3—Compact Community



The Green Network





MUR-35

MIXED-USE RESIDENTIAL—35 FOOTBASE HEIGHT:





MUR-45

MIXED-USE RESIDENTIAL-45 FOOT HEIGHT LIMIT:







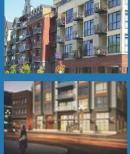




MIXED-USE RESIDENTIAL 65 FOOT BASE HEIGHT:

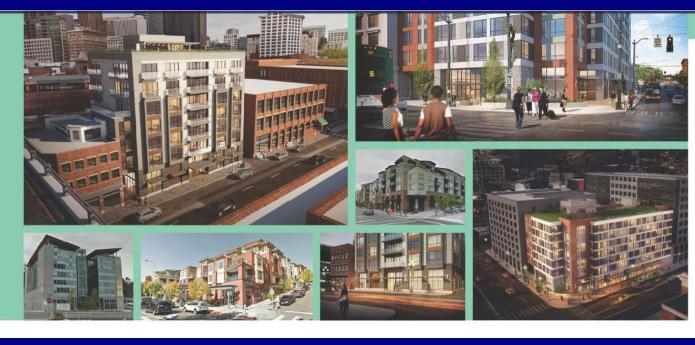










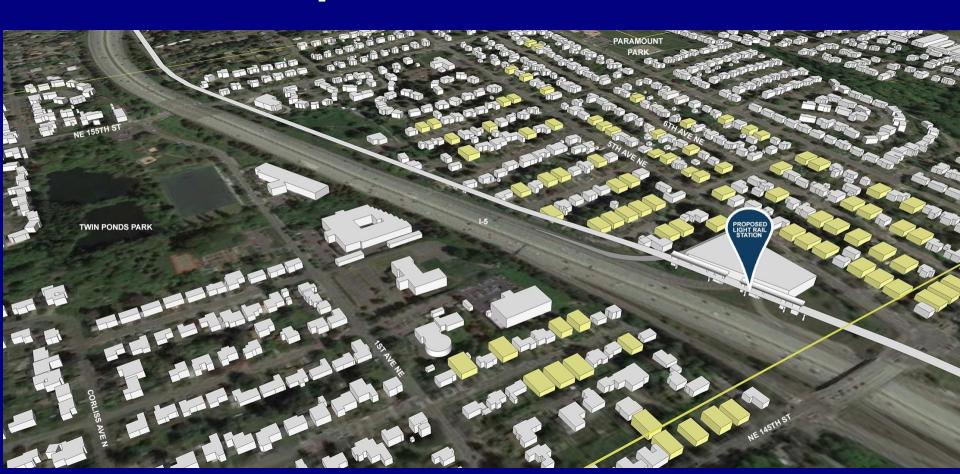


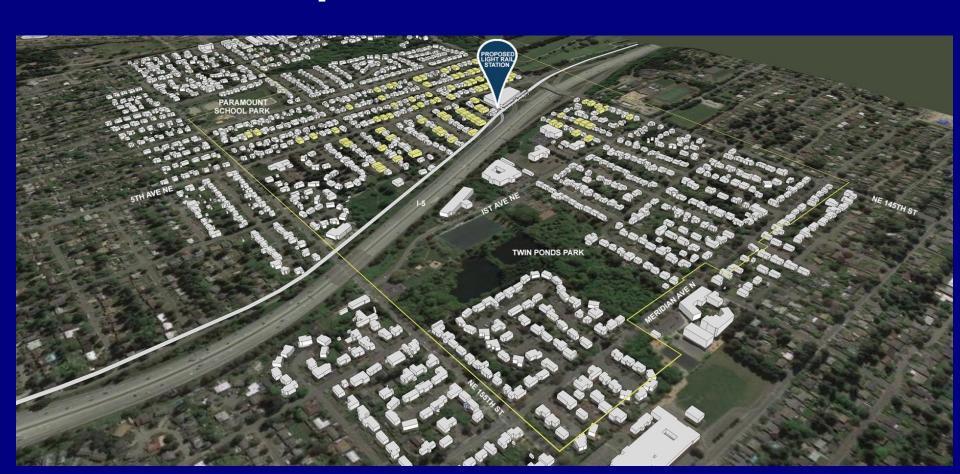
MUR-85⁺

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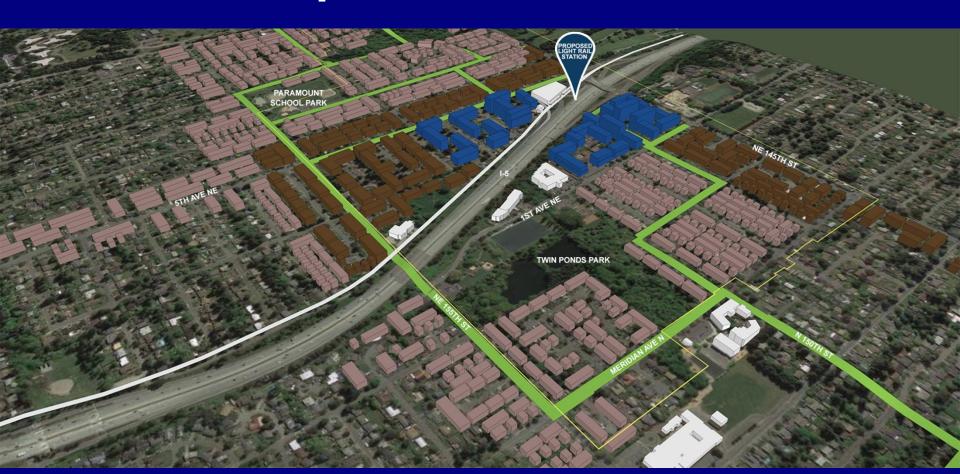


















Redevelopment Possibilities





Conceptual possibility for redevelopment and improvements in the vicinity of 5th Avenue NE and NE 148th Street, looking southwest

Redevelopment Possibilities





Conceptual illustration of possible redevelopment surrounding Paramount School Park

Redevelopment Possibilities





Conceptual possibility for redevelopment in the background of the community gardens at Twin Ponds Park, looking southeast

Redevelopment Possibilities

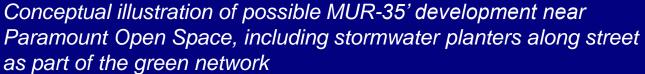




Conceptual possibility for redevelopment and improvements along 5th Avenue NE in the vicinity of NE 160th Street, looking southwest

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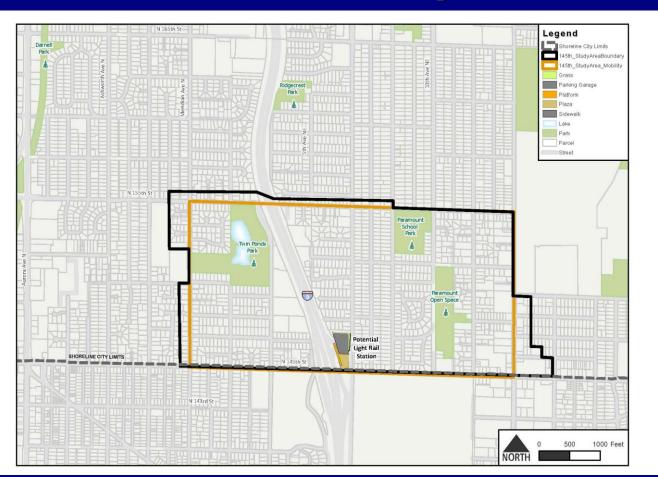


Conceptual illustration enhanced pedestrian and bicycle crossing of Interstate 5, view from planned light rail station

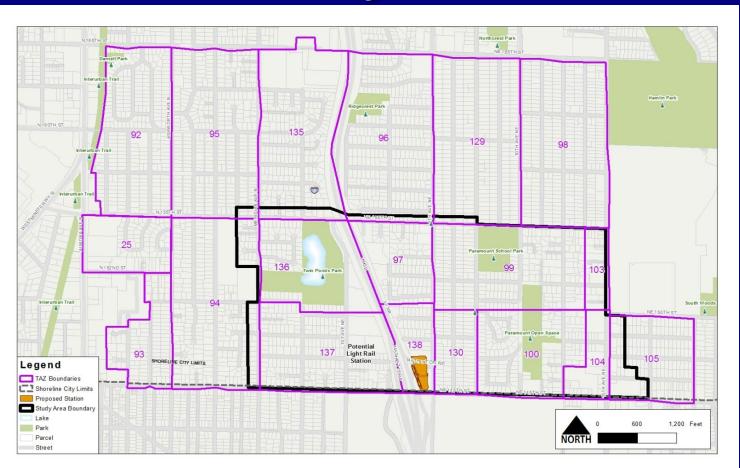
Population, Housing, and Employment Projections



Subarea Map



Traffic Analysis Zones



2035 Projections

	Current Levels in Subarea	Alternative 1—No Action	Alternative 2— Connecting Corridors	Alternative 3— Compact Community
Population	8,321	Less than 1% Annual Growth Expected	11,208 to 13,364	11,208 to 13,364
Households	3,467		4,670 to 5,681	4,670 to 5,681
Employment/ Jobs	1,595		2,180 to 2,678	2,180 to 2,678

2035 Population Growth Projections

	Alternative 1—No Action	Average Annual Growth Rates	Alternative 2— Connecting Corridors	Alternative 3— Compact Community
Low End Projection	Less than 1% Annual Growth	1.5 Percent	+2,886	+2,886
High End Projection		2.5 Percent	+5,314	+5,314
CITYWIDE Pop Growth Target for 2035 (per King Co. CPPs)			+13,920	+13,290

Build-Out Projections

	Current Levels in Subarea	Alternative 1— No Action	Alternative 2— Connecting Corridors	Alternative 3— Compact Community
Population	8,321	Timeframe Unknown; Not Likely to Reach Full Zoning Capacity	34,643	36,647
Households	3,467		14,435	15,270
Employment/ Jobs	1,595		11,747	9,639
Estimated Build-out Horizon			60 to 94 Years By 2075 to 2109	63 to 98 Years By 2078 to 2113

Transportation Analysis



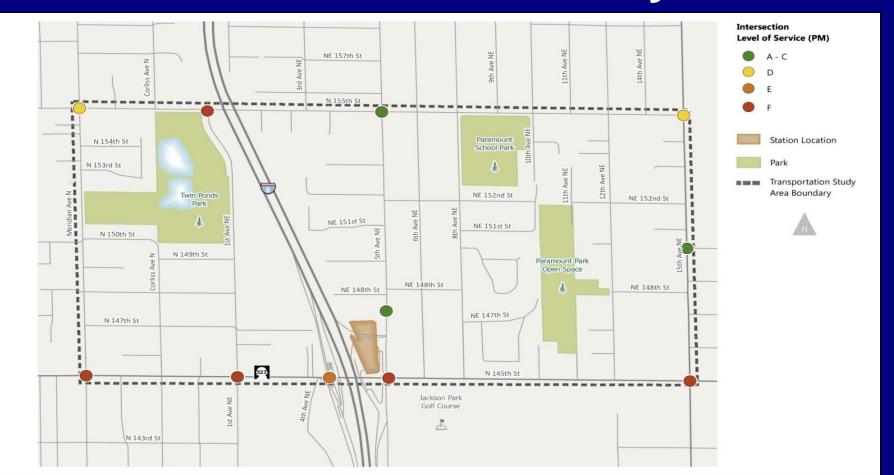
Transportation Analysis

Percentage of Trips by Mode and GHG Emissions							
Alternative:	External Walk/Bike Trips	External Transit Trips	Internal Trips	External Auto Trips	Total PM Peak Trips Generated	External PM Auto Trips Generated	Daily Transportation- Related GHG Emissions (metric tons)
Alternative 1 - No Action	4%	5%	15%	76%	6,261	4,756	164
Alternative 2 - Connecting Corridors	14%	10%	21%	55%	20,700	11,408	240
Alternative 3 - Compact Community	12%	10%	23%	55%	17,894	9,978	213
Non-Transit-Oriented Development	4%	5%	15%	76%	17,894	13,599	328



External trips are assumed to start or end outside of the subarea. By contrast, internal trips both start and end within the subarea.

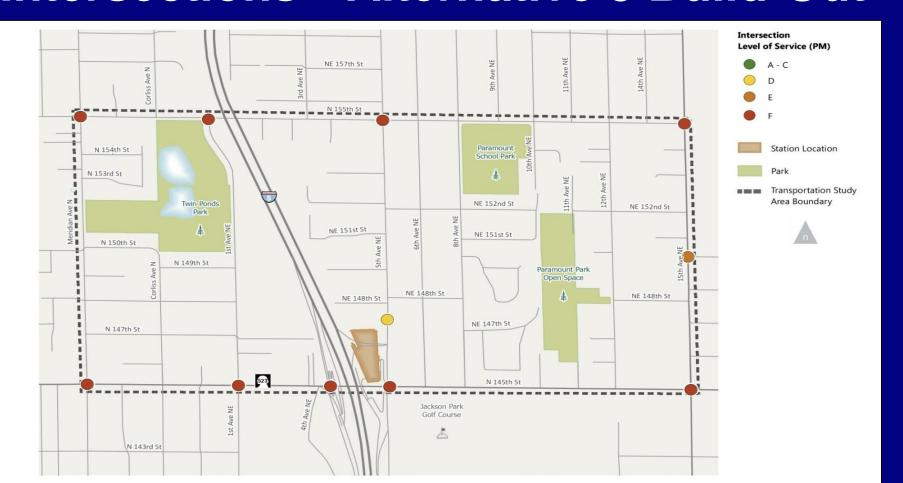
Intersections—First Twenty Years



Intersections—Alternative 2 Build-Out



Intersections—Alternative 3 Build-Out



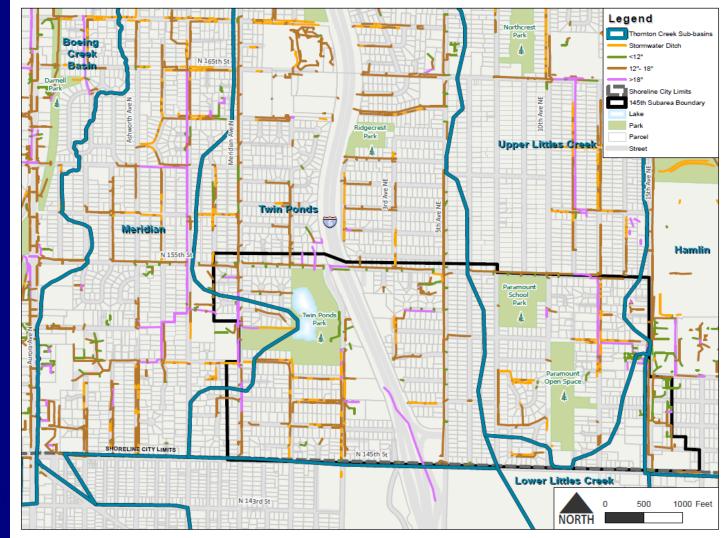
Streams, Wetlands, and Surface Water Mgmt.



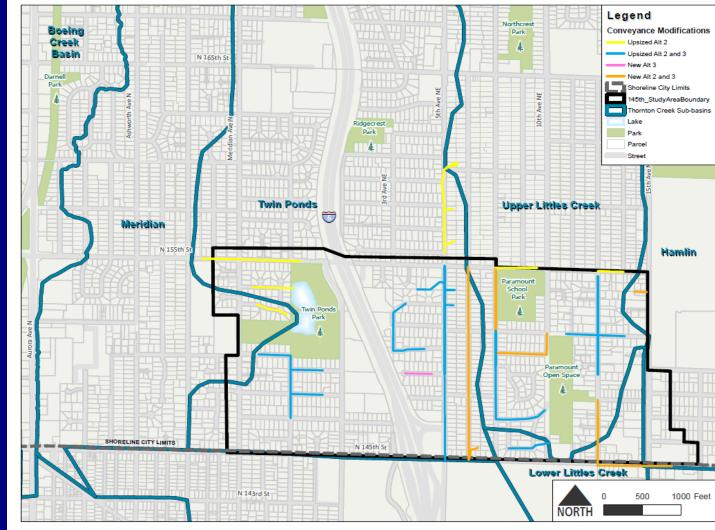
Table 3.4-4—Unmitigated Increase in Stormwater Flow, All Alternatives

* Percent increase in conveyance sizing for unmitigated stormwater flows with zoning revisions.

	ALTERNATIVE 1— NO ACTION	ALTERNATIVE 2— CONNECTION CORRIDORS	ALTERNATIVE3— COMPACT COMMUNITY
		% Increase from	% Increase from
		Existing*	Existing*
Meridian Sub-Basin	Base Condition	6%	1%
Twin Ponds Sub-Basin	Base Condition	16%	11%
	Base Condition		
Littles Creek Sub-Basin		14%	11%
	Base Condition		
Hamlin Sub-Basin		2%	2%

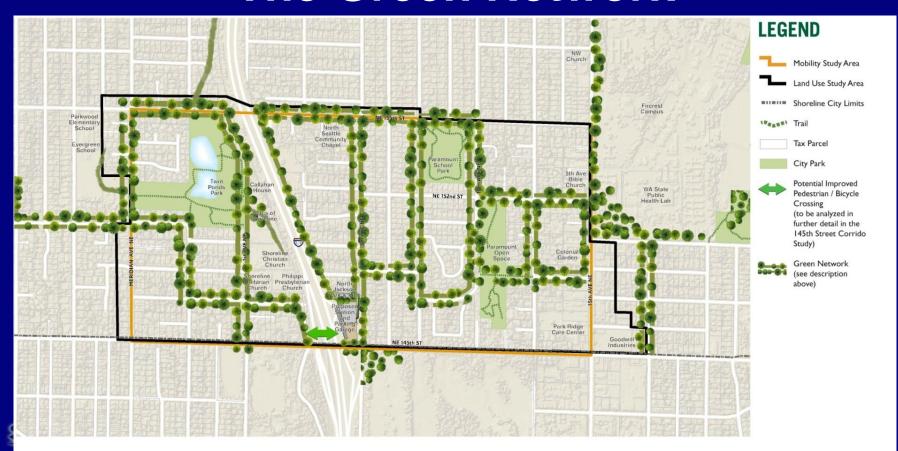








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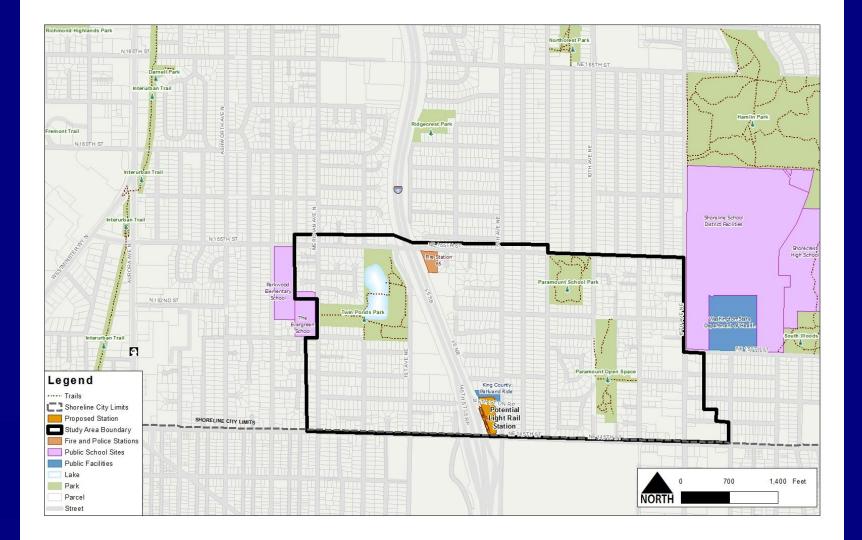
Green Stormwater Infrastructure





Parks, Recreation, Open Space, Natural Areas





Existing Parks/Community Assets



Priority Habitat Areas/Wooded Areas











Important

- This is a long-term vision and a long-range plan for the station subarea—similar to a community plat for the long term future.
- State requirement to consider the potential impacts of full buildout.
- The subarea plan will identify a list of priority improvements needed to support growth and change over the next twenty years. This list will be updated in the future with City capital improvement planning.



Key Questions

- Does the Commission have questions or comments about impacts and mitigations analyzed/recommended?
- What are initial thoughts on which scenario (or revisions to either) should be recommended as the Preferred Alternative?
- If corridor redevelopment is to be a part of the Preferred Alternative, should it include both 155th and 5th or just one of these corridors, and which one?
- Should phased zoning be considered for the 145th Station Subarea?



Next Steps

- February 5: Planning Commission Hearing
- February 17: Public Comment Period Closes
- February 23: City Council Selects Preferred Alternative
- FEIS is Prepared/Published



How to Get a Copy of the DEIS

Available for download at:

www.shorelinewa.gov/lightrail

 Copies may be purchased at City Hall for cost of production (estimated at \$50.00 each) or compact disks can be purchased for less cost.



Thank You!

