

# SECURING OUR FOUNDATION, SHAPING OUR FUTURE

SHORELINE'S PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

## Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan Update

October 10, 2016



Shoreline's Plan for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services 2017-2022

# Reviewing the Planning Process

## January – July: Building Our Foundation

- Gathered information
- Heard from the community

## April - December: Diving Deep

- In-depth analysis of what we've heard
- Market and recreation demand analysis

## October – March 2017: Bringing it All Together

- Develop Plan proposals
- Draft the Plan document

## April-July 2017: Plan Review & Adoption

# What Comes Next?

## November 1 Public Workshop

- Refine what we've heard & offer some draft proposals

## November 15 Public Workshop

- Discuss recreation programs

## January 7 Public Open House

- Bring it all together

## Spring/Summer 2017 - City Council Review & Plan Adoption

## Beyond Adoption - Implementation

- Through Capital and Operations & Maintenance funded projects

# Securing Our Foundation





# Shaping Our Future



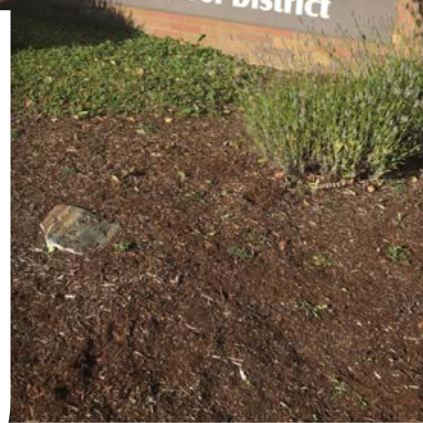
145th Street Station Subarea Planned Action  
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

JULY 2010



185th Street Station Subarea Planned Action  
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DECEMBER 2014



Urban Forest Strategic Plan



FINAL  
May 19, 2014

# Who We've Heard From



## Activity

## Participants

Community Opinion Survey

830

Online Questionnaire

578

Stakeholder Interviews

76

# Who We've Heard From, cont.



## Activity

## Participants

Focus Group Meeting Attendees

105

Intercept Event Conversations

470

Neighborhood Association Meetings  
(attendees)

111

# SWOT Analysis

- Strengths
- Weaknesses
- Opportunities
- Threats



# Strengths

- High level of community support
- Recent investments from 2006 Park Bond
- Nice mix of active recreation facilities and passive open space
- Interesting nature trail system

# Weaknesses

- Unhealthy urban forests
- Perceived lack of safety
- Lack of innovative recreation features such as spray parks, high ropes course
- Transient population living in parks

# Opportunities

- Respond to reduction in demand for certain types of facilities by replacing them with facilities growing in demand
- Build a volunteer support system for environmental restoration
- Expand the tree canopy

# THREATS

- Key park properties are owned by others (school district, State, Seattle City Light)
- Invasive species
- Encroachments from adjacent private property
- Population growth and increased density
- Potential budget shortfalls

# What We Need To Do

## Key Themes





# Access to Nature and Environmental Consciousness



- Strengthen access to nature; including greenways and wildlife corridors
- Expand walking and trail-related activities
- Improve access to community gardens and healthy eating

# Walking and Access

- Increase connectivity to parks, recreation and open space facilities
- Expand walking and trail-related activities
- Improve safety



# Recreation focus



- Increase options for adults and seniors
- Add and improve access to aquatics facilities and programs
- Expand indoor exercise and fitness opportunities
- Improve access to community gardens and healthy eating



# Arts and Culture

- Support arts and cultural opportunities
- Create multigenerational and multi-cultural opportunities





# Outreach and partnerships



- Improve availability of information about facilities and programs
- Continue community partnerships in providing parks, open space and recreation programming



# Light Rail Station Subareas

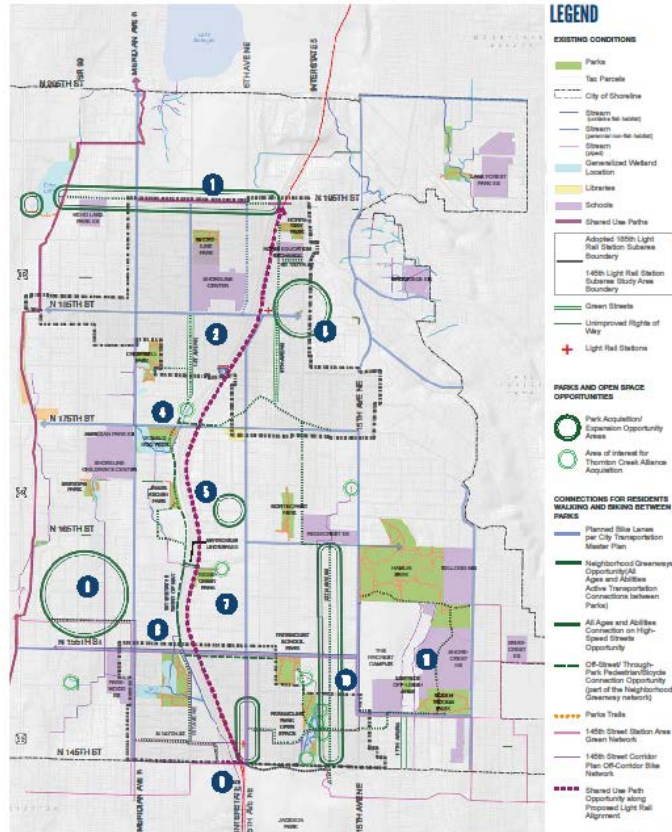
## *Environmental Impact Study Conclusions*

- The projected 2035 population level would create a demand for approximately one new neighborhood park in EACH of the subareas
- At full build-out a combination of between two and nine new neighborhood parks or different Parks and Recreation facilities will be needed.

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## PARK AND OPEN SPACE OPPORTUNITIES FOR LIGHT RAIL STATION SUBAREAS - DRAFT



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## CONNECTION TYPOLOGIES

### PARKS PROGRAMS



COMMUNITY GARDENS



NATURAL PLAY AREAS



PLAZAS AND POCKET PARKS



NATURE ART AND TRAVEL



OFF-LEASH AREAS



SPRAY PARKS

### GREEN STREETS



### ALL AGES AND ABILITIES NETWORK



STREETS AS PARKS



NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAYS (SIDEWALKS, TREES, TRAFFIC CALMING ON LOCAL STREETS)



HIGH-SPEED STREETS



INTERACTIVE GREENWAYS



SHADED LOOP PATHS



ACCELERATED STREETS

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## Questions or Comments?



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