

# Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update

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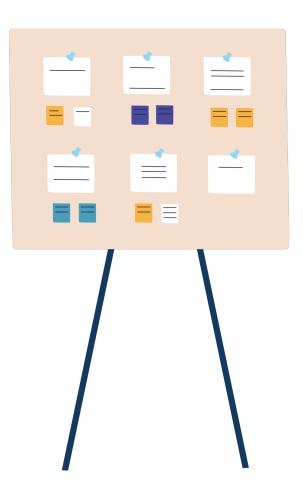
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# **Agenda**

- 1. Background: Direction from Council
- 2. Updates to the Vision
- 3. Framework For Growth
  - 1. City wide
  - 2. Wilburton





### **Direction from Council**

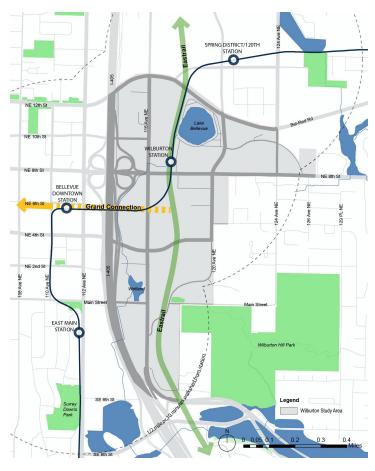
# **Update Vision Presentation on Growth Framework**

- Update the vision for growth in the City;
- Employ consistent, equitable outreach and engagement with diverse communities;
- Expand housing capacity to plan for the growth targets identified in the CPPs;
- Address the need for affordable housing;
- Address the legacy of discrimination;
- Manage growth in the City's identified Countywide Centers and Regional Growth Center;
- Include policies that address the causes and impacts of climate change;
- Reflect the City's priorities for the next 20 years in all Elements
- Explore amending the land use categories used in the Comprehensive Plan map to reference zones more broadly.



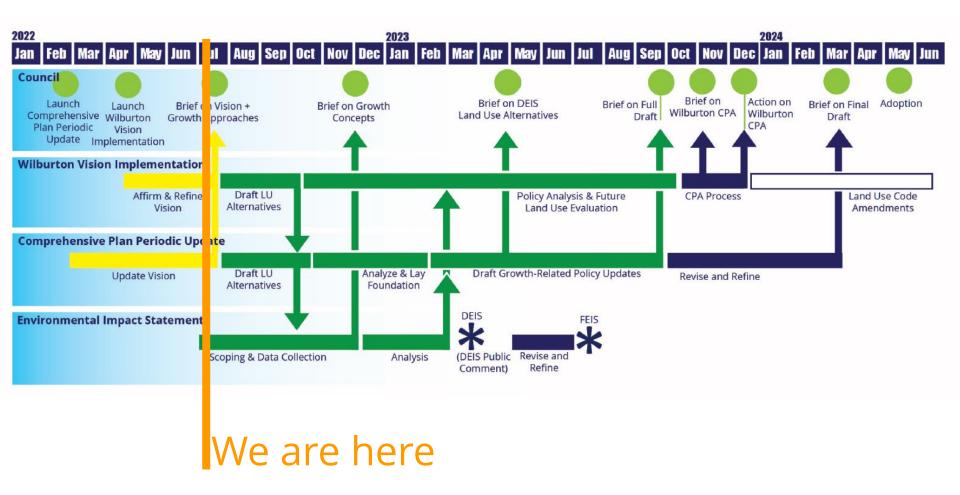
# Direction from Council: Wilburton Study Area

- Proceed using the 2018 Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) preferred alternative as a baseline for future land use considerations
- Consider updates to vision in areas of:
  - Growth targets;
  - Housing policy;
  - Affordable housing
  - Grand Connection impacts and integration;
  - Sustainability;
  - Equitable access
  - Multimodal transportation (Eastrail, Lake Hills Connector)
  - Universal design



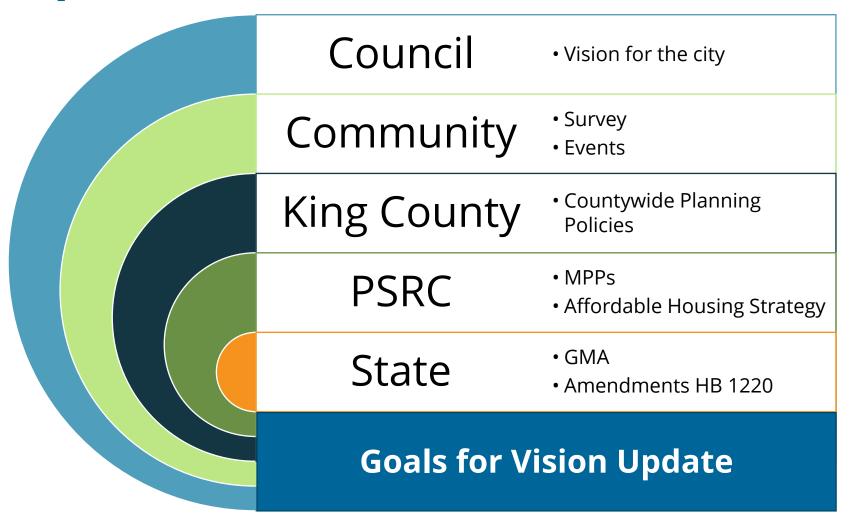


# **Projects Timeline**





# **Update Vision For Growth**





# **Engagement Activities**

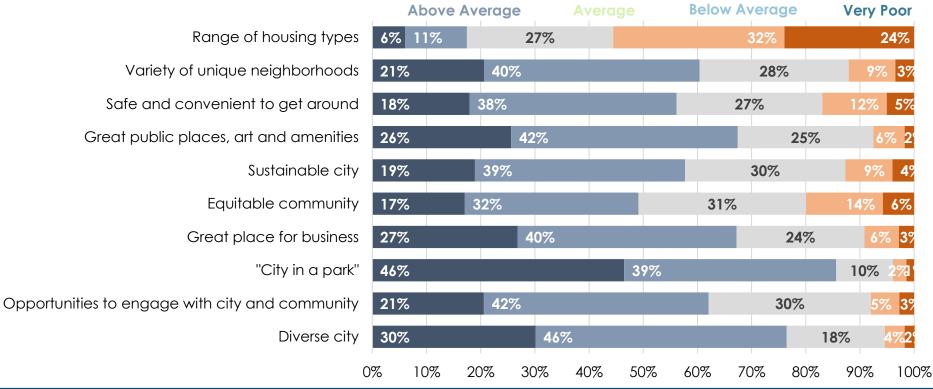
- 1 in-person open house
- 1 Spanish language workshop
- 2 virtual workshops
- 6 presentations to community groups
- 10 youth-focused workshops
- 13 tabling events at key community locations and neighborhood gatherings
- 64,241 flyers & questionnaires mailed to all households in Bellevue (3,326 returned)





# **Engagement Activities**

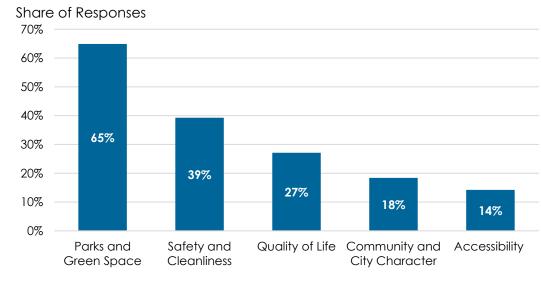
# Survey Results: Community Evaluation of Progress Toward City Vision



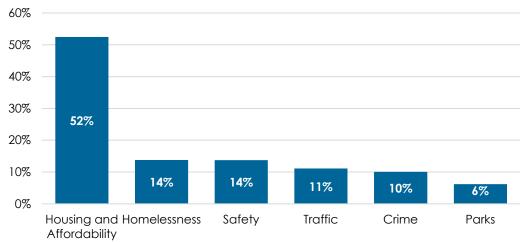


# **Engagement Activities**

What is something you love about Bellevue that you want future generations to enjoy?



What is the most important challenge Bellevue should address to make sure future generations can thrive?





### **Boards & Commission Visits**

- Ensure comprehensive & equitable outreach
- Looking forward to process updates and policy review





# **Vision Update Focus**

- Focus growth near transit and infrastructure
- Provide a range of housing options
- Support small businesses & local commercial centers
- Preserve and restore natural areas
- Grow sustainably & reduce impact on climate change
- Address equity, displacement and historic systemic racism
- Expand transportation options and high levels of service
- Maintain public safety





### **Growth Framework**

Growth Evaluation Preferred Growth Alternatives Concepts Alternative Economic Analysis EIS Equity Analysis Other Analysis



# **Growth Framework Concepts**

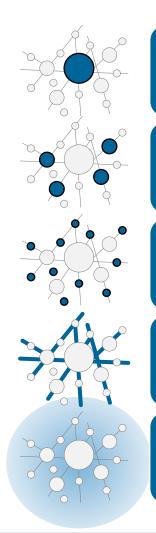
- Focus of growth
- Amount of growth
- Placemaking
- Housing typologies
- Affordable housing





# **Focus of Growth**

### Multiple for each alternative



Growth Corridor

 Increased density in Bellevue's growth corridor (Downtown, East Main, Wilburton, and BelRed)

Countywide Centers  Increased density in Bellevue's Countywide Centers (Wilburton/East Main, BelRed, Crossroads, Factoria and Eastgate)

Neighborhood Centers

• Establish network of neighborhood centers with smaller scale growth

**Arterials** 

Focus density along arterials

**Across City** 

• Gently increase density across the city

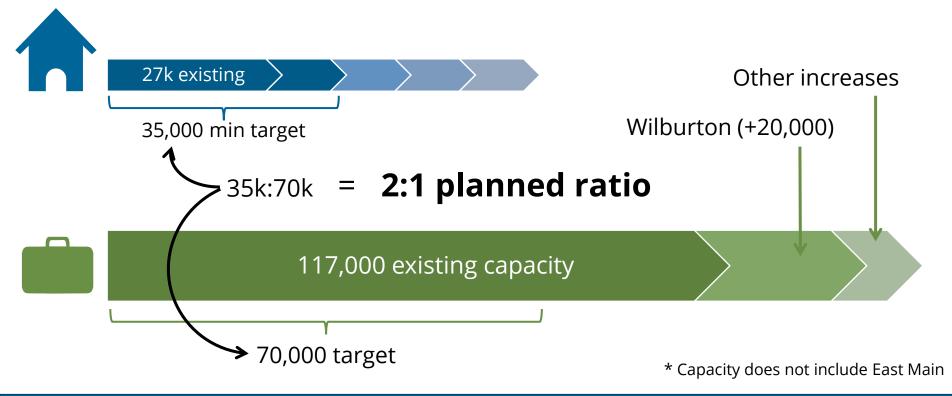
- Impacts other concepts like housing typologies
- Impacted by other concepts like amount of growth





### Amount of Growth Jobs and housing across the city

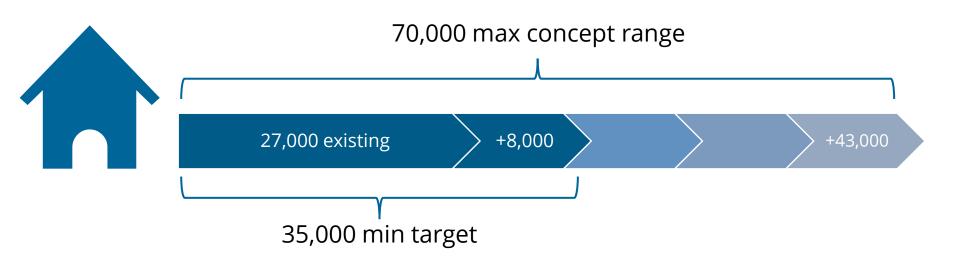
- Total capacity must meet or exceed planning minimum targets
- Total capacity\* shown here





### Amount of Growth Housing across the city

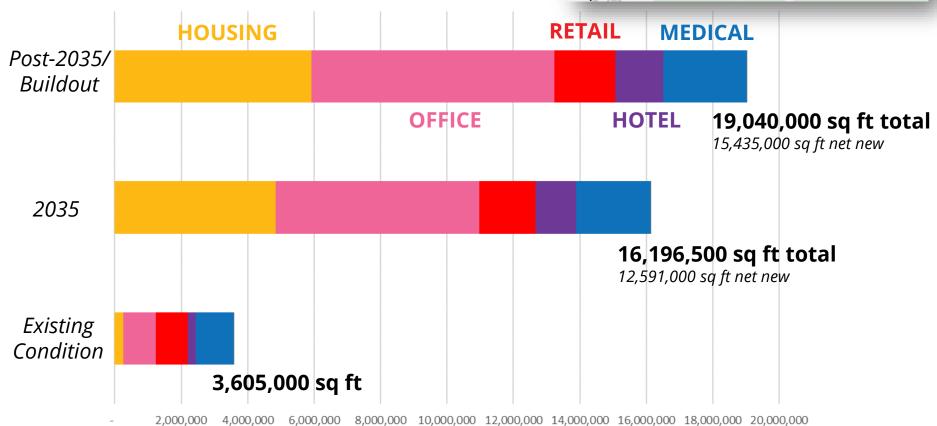
- The range in amount of growth will occur in the amount of housing units
- At least 8,000 additional housing unit capacity is required
- The growth alternatives would look at a range from 8,000 to 43,000 additional housing units





# **Amount of Growth:**Wilburton CAC Baseline





Square feet of total development in study area



# **Amount of Growth (Wilburton Study Area)**

#### No action

Grow within the existing capacity

#### Baseline

- 15.4 million sq ft of new development per 2018 Wilburton CAC Vision and DEIS
- Approx. 4:1 jobs-housing balance

- Additional development capacity needed to accommodate increase in housing
- Consider commercial mix that results in successful TOD

# Expanded housing

 Increase housing capacity to achieve closer to a 2:1 jobs-housing balance



Distribution of Growth (Wilburton Study Area)

Single Core

•Focus growth around a single core in the Wilburton study area, including the Grand Connection

Add Development Nodes

- Additional growth around multiple development nodes throughout the Wilburton study area
- •Light rail station areas, catalyst opportunity sites, medical employment

Add Areawide

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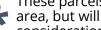
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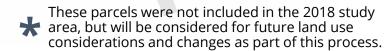
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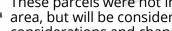
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# Placemaking / Character

Across different areas of the city

All Residential

Quieter environment with green spaces to visit

**Residential Focus** 

- Residential with a few places to gather (like coffee shops)
- Fulfills daily needs by providing **essential services** (like grocery stores)

Central Neighborhood Node

- Surrounded by residential uses
- Local focus provides places to gather, fulfills daily needs, and includes unique restaurants and shops

**Cultural Hub** 

- Mix of residential and retail
- Popular with young professionals and seniors
- Cultivation of night life

**Retail Center** 

- Mix of residential, office, and retail uses
- Caters to a variety of demographics
- Changes throughout the day cultivates night life

Office Center

- Office focus with day-time restaurant choices
- Quality transit access to more residential areas
- · Lively on weekdays and quiet in evening





Residential Focus

 Predominantly residential attached units, walkable to amenities and open spaces

Small Scale Residential Mixed Use

 Smaller scale residential with small footprint ground floor commercial and office space

Medium Scale Residential Mixed Use

 Residential integrated into medium-scale commercial and office development

Residential Towers



200 North Church (Charlotte, NC) Image Source: Wilburton Commercial Area Study



Park Central Townhomes (Bellevue) Image Source: Google Maps



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Downtown Woodstock (Woodstock, GA)
Image Source: Wilburton Commercial Area Study



Blu Bellevue Apartments (Bellevue) Image Source: Google Maps



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Pearl District Properties (Portland) Source: Wilburton Commercial Area Study



Edge (Atlanta Beltline)
Image Source: North American Properties



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Hamilton Residence (Hamilton, ON) Source: Wilburton Commercial Area Study



Pinnacle South (Bellevue) Source: JOYM



# Housing Typologies Multiple for each alternative

# Expand high-rise

•Often studio and 1-bedroom stacked units with shared amenities

# Expand mid-rise

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# Introduce micro-units

•Focus on transit-rich areas

# Emphasize mid-size units

- •Mostly within mid-rise and high-rise construction
- •Eg 2+ bedroom minimums

### Expand low-rise

- Expand existing typologies like townhomes
- Generally private amenities

# Introduce low-rise

- •Introduce new typologies like small apartment buildings or cottage housing
- Private or shared amenities

# Introduce lower-scale

•Introduce or expand typologies like ADUs, DADUs, duplexes, or triplexes

- The most common new construction units are:
  - Urban studios/1BRs or
  - Large single-family houses with 4+BRs





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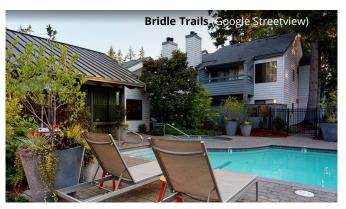
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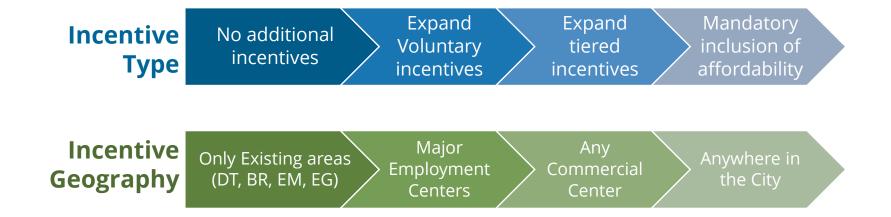






State/regional affordability requirements under development

### **Affordable Incentives**



- A 15% bonus already exists across the city, but more substantial incentives are possible
- Other programs such as MFTE, C-1, HB 1590 are used in tandem with inclusionary programs to tackle citywide need
- Ongoing Next Right Work is also evaluating more specific housing policies over next 12-18 months



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