



Tacoma Mall Neighborhood Subarea Plan & EIS

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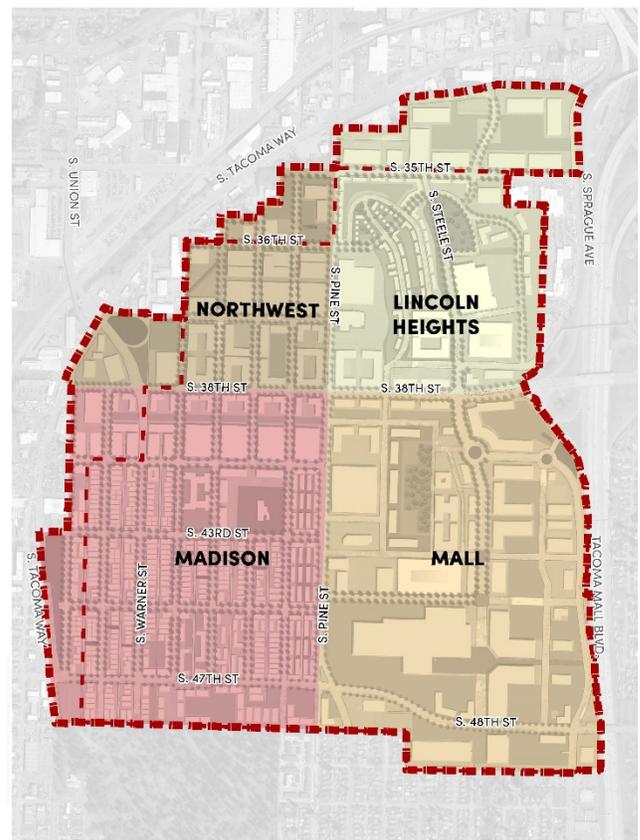
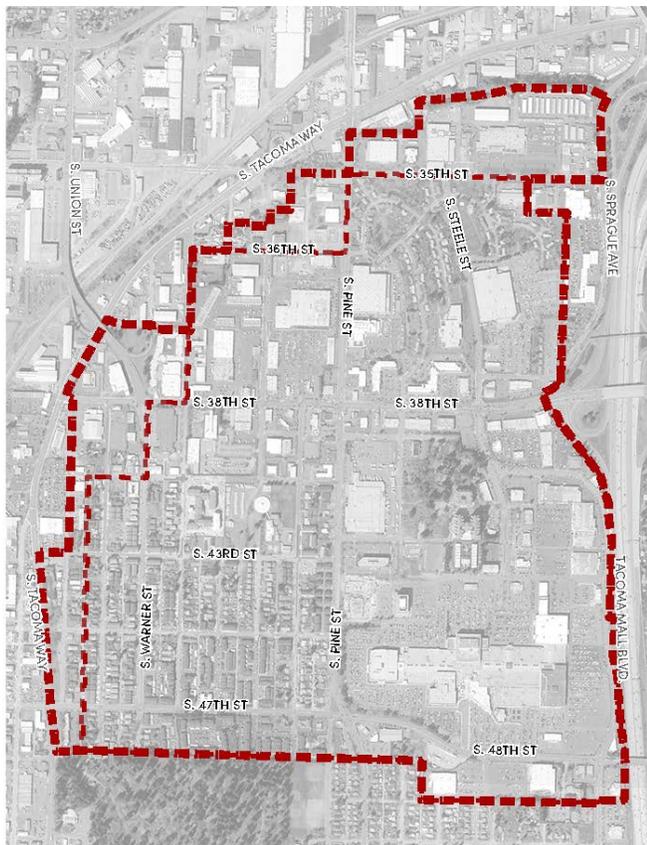


OVERVIEW

This Subarea Plan is the community's roadmap for how businesses, residents and public agencies can partner to invest in and improve the Tacoma Mall Neighborhood. The goal is to transform the neighborhood over time into a thriving urban center that is a distinctive, connected, livable and healthy place with ample opportunities for people to live, work, invest and fulfill their potential. The Subarea Plan was developed during a three-year public effort and adopted by the City Council in May 2018.

The Tacoma Mall Neighborhood is home to a diverse community of residents and businesses and is a major shopping destination. A designated Regional Growth Center, the neighborhood is planned to become one of the Puget Sound region's most vibrant, dense urban centers, accommodating a significant portion of the City of Tacoma's future housing and employment growth. The plan supports neighborhood growth that would triple the 575-acre neighborhood's resident population and double its jobs by 2040 (adding roughly 8,100 new residents and 7,600 new jobs). The plan will guide that growth to support the community's vision for an inclusive, pedestrian-friendly, urban, mixed-use neighborhood.

This is a long-range plan, and forward thinking is needed to anticipate and prepare for the impacts of growth and change. As part of the planning process, the City prepared an up-front Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to identify and mitigate potential environmental impacts. This will streamline City review of development proposals, as well as produce better outcomes for the neighborhood as development occurs.



- Expanded Neighborhood Subarea
- Existing RGC Boundary

KEY STRATEGIES

Urban Form	Long-range actions to transition the neighborhood structure from suburban and auto-oriented to a thriving mixed-use center that is compact, connected, complete and transit-ready
Land Use	Zoning and regulatory refinements to better guide development to create a dense, attractive and walkable mixed-use district that can accommodate a substantial share of regional growth
Housing	Actions to ensure a wide range of quality housing choices and costs that meets the needs of residents at various stages of life, different household sizes, and a range of income levels
Transportation Choices	Transportation strategies and investments to create high-quality mobility options suitable for a dense urban center and retail destination, including frequent and attractive transit service, safe and comfortable bicycle and pedestrian facilities and convenient vehicular access
Environment	Innovative green stormwater infrastructure and tree planting actions that will address infrastructure needs, improve health and quality of life, and help protect local watersheds and the Puget Sound
Community Vitality	Actions to create an attractive, inclusive neighborhood with a unique identity, an empowered community, and a robust system of parks, open spaces, amenities and services
Shared Prosperity	Actions to reduce barriers to business investment and growth, improve the area's image, and increase employment and service opportunities for the neighborhood and the City
Utilities and Services	Long range planning to ensure that utilities and public services are provided concurrent with growth and support envisioned development patterns and community character
Implementation	Early strategic actions prioritized to build momentum, including investments in neighborhood infrastructure, establishing partnerships and developing funding strategies



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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