



- UVG7** Accommodate a range of employment activity to ensure employment opportunities are available for the city's diverse residential population, including maintaining healthy manufacturing and industrial areas.
- UVG8** Accommodate the City's existing and future housing needs through maintenance of existing residential neighborhoods and the creation of new residential neighborhoods. Encourage housing development so that by 2024, a citywide ratio of 1.8 jobs per household is maintained.
- UVG9** Use limited land resources more efficiently and pursue a development pattern that is more economically sound, by encouraging infill development on vacant and underutilized sites, particularly within urban villages.
- UVG10** Maximize the benefit of public investment in infrastructure and services, and deliver those services more equitably by focusing new infrastructure and services, as well as maintenance and improvements to existing infrastructure and services, in areas expecting to see additional growth, and by focusing growth in areas with sufficient infrastructure and services to support that growth.
- UVG11** Collaborate with the community in planning for the future.
- UVG12** Increase public safety by making villages places that people will be drawn to at all times of the day.
- UVG13** Promote physical environments of the highest quality, which emphasize the special identity of each of the city's neighborhoods, particularly within urban centers and villages.
- UVG14** Distribute urban villages around the city so that communities throughout the city have easy access to the range of goods and services that villages are intended to provide.
- UVG15** Encourage development of ground-related housing, which is attractive to many

residents including families with children, including townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, ground-related apartments, small cottages, accessory units, and single-family homes.

UVG16 Provide parks and open space that are accessible to urban villages to enhance the livability of urban villages, to help shape the overall development pattern, and to enrich the character of each village.

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- UV1** Promote the growth of urban villages as compact mixed-use neighborhoods in order to support walking and transit use, and to provide services and employment close to residences.
- UV2** Promote conditions that support healthy neighborhoods throughout the city, including those conducive to helping mixed-use urban village communities thrive, such as focused transportation demand management strategies, vital business districts, a range of housing choices, a range of park and open space facilities, and investment and reinvestment in neighborhoods.
- UV2.5** In areas surrounding major transit hubs, except in industrial zones, allow densities sufficient to take advantage of significant investment in public transportation infrastructure. Use incentive zoning programs and other strategies to help ensure the provision of affordable housing.
- UV3** Consider the following characteristics appropriate to all urban village categories except Manufacturing and Industrial Centers:
 1. Clearly defined geographic boundaries that reflect existing development patterns, functional characteristics of the area, and recognized neighborhood boundaries.
 2. Zoning sufficient to accommodate the residential and employment growth targets established for that village.

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- 2. Access to transportation facilities is good or can be improved;
- 3. Public and private facilities, services and amenities, such as parks, schools, commercial services, and other community services, are available, or can be provided over time; and,
- 4. Existing public infrastructure has capacity or potential to accommodate growth.

UV6 Establish clearly defined boundaries for centers and urban villages that reflect existing development patterns, functional characteristics of the area, and recognized neighborhood boundaries. Use boundaries to guide development activity, monitor growth and other development conditions, and evaluate performance towards meeting neighborhood and comprehensive plan goals for services and amenities.

UV7 In order to support the existing character of areas outside of urban villages, and to encourage continued investment in all of Seattle's neighborhoods, permit areas outside of urban villages to accommodate some growth in a less dense development pattern consisting primarily of single-family neighborhoods and limited multifamily, commercial, and industrial areas.

UV7.5 Coordinate public and private activities to address transportation, utilities, open space and other public services to accommodate the new growth associated with subarea rezones (e.g., in transit station areas) that result in significant increases in density.

UV8 Involve the public in identifying needs for, planning, and designing public facilities, programs, and services. Encourage and provide opportunities for extensive public involvement in City decisions, and encourage other agencies to provide similar opportunities.

UV9 Preserve developments of historic, architectural, or social significance that contribute to the identity of an area.

UV10 Maintain and enhance retail commercial services throughout the city, especially in areas attractive to pedestrians and transit riders, to support concentrations of residential and employment activity, with special emphasis on serving urban villages.



- d. Other types of open space within or adjacent to urban villages that is accessible from adjacent urban villages.

UV54 Promote sustainable management of public and private open spaces and landscaping including preserving or planting native and naturalized vegetation as appropriate to the landscape, removing invasive plants, protecting and enhancing wildlife habitat, and using an integrated pest management approach which favors natural over chemical pest management.

public projects policies

UV55 Seek to provide public open space in conjunction with major public projects such as utility and transportation projects, with the amount of open space based on the size of the project, open space needs of the adjacent areas, and the opportunities provided by the particular project.

UV56 Emphasize flexibility in planning, designing, and developing new open space and encourage development of innovative projects.

UV57 Promote inter-agency and intergovernmental cooperation to expand community gardening opportunities.

UV57.5 Create opportunities for people to experience the natural environment by including parks, forested areas, community gardens (P-Patches), and viewpoints among the priority uses to be considered for the City's surplus properties.

D Annexation

policies

UV58 Seek, through cooperative efforts with adjacent jurisdictions, an equitable and balanced resolution to jurisdictional boundaries of the remaining unincorporated areas adjacent to the city's limits. Future annexations to Seattle and/or city boundary changes shall be based on the following:

1. The area has access or can easily be connected to areas already served by the City, allowing efficient delivery of services to the area;
2. The City can readily provide services to the area; and
3. The boundary changes or interjurisdictional agreements will result in a fair and equitable distribution of revenues, facilities development and maintenance and operating costs, and transfer of assets.

UV59 Designate as Potential Annexation Areas areas that include parcels currently owned by the City or small areas almost completely surrounded by land currently within Seattle's city limits Areas meeting these conditions are designated as Potential Annexation Areas as shown in Urban Village Figure 9.

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