



Seattle Planning Commission

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Proposed SPC Draft Comp Plan Review Strategy



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Proposed Review Process:

- Small group work outside of standing meetings
- Review selected elements using a framework/worksheet
- Each group prepares: a summary of their comments, a brief presentation for the full commission noting their key takeaways on their assigned elements, and questions/comments that would benefit from a full group discussion

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Proposed themes:

- **Racial and Social Equity**
- **Climate**
- **Sustainable Quality of Life**
- **Anti-Displacement**
- **Housing Access and Choice**

Themes: Racial and Social Equity



Racial and Social Equity

- Does the element clearly name racist and socially unjust practices and policies, past and present? If not, what is missing?
- Do the goals and policies of the element advance anti-racist outcomes? If not, how might anti-racist outcomes be achieved through goals and policies?

Themes: Climate Adaptation and Resilience

Climate Adaptation and Resilience

Climate change preparedness/adaptation

- Do the goals and policies of the element support the creation of sustainable, adaptive communities? If not, how might such supports be built into the element?
- Do the goals and policies of the element address ways to reduce the impacts of climate change such as reduced air quality, heat island effect, or sea level rise? If not, where might these risks be addressed?

Mitigation

- Do the goals and policies of the element support city goals of emissions reduction? If not, where might emissions be addressed?
- Do the goals and policies of the element promote emergency response preparedness?

Themes: Sustainable Quality of Life



Sustainable Quality of Life

Health

- Do the goals and policies work to improve environmental justice outcomes such as reducing exposure to pollution? If not, how might environmental justice be considered in the element?
- Do the goals and policies of the element promote equitable access to open space and/or recreation? If not, how might access to open space and or recreation be addressed?

Safety

- Do the goals and policies of the element promote a safe and comfortable environment for those who work, live, and play in the city? Consider how the element encourages walkability, repurposing of the right-of-way, and community-specific activation of collaboratively designed spaces.

Resilient Communities

- Do the goals and policies of the element support the creation of resilient communities? Consider aspects such as access to essential daily needs, access to opportunity, and capacity building and technical assistance to support self-sufficient neighborhoods and communities.

Themes: Anti-Displacement



Anti-Displacement

- Does the element include proactive strategies to prevent and mitigate the impacts of displacement? Consider housing and commercial displacement in all its forms (physical, economic, and cultural).
If not, how might such strategies be included in the element?

Themes: Housing Action and Choice



Housing Action and Choice

- Do the goals and policies of the element promote more housing choices in more neighborhoods? If not, what is missing?
- Does the element consider the necessary coordination between elements to support successful housing growth, such as a diversity of housing choices supported by transportation/mobility access, and public facilities? If not, what connections are missing?
- Does the element consider the regional nature of housing access and encourage a regional approach to growth? If not, how might regional considerations be included?

Draft preliminary review schedule



Planning Commission Meeting	Action
	Comp Plan and DEIS released
Exec 1.5 hr.	OPCD presentation and overview of draft Plan
H&N 1.5 hr.	continued OPCD overview of draft Comp Plan
small groups meet (period ~ a week)	
Full Comm 2.5 hr.	small group report outs and staff draft comments on DEIS
Exec 1.5 hr.	Discuss specific elements
LUT 1.5 hr.	Discuss specific elements
Exec 1.5 hr.	Discuss specific elements
H&N 1.5 hr.	Discuss specific elements
full Comm 2.5 hr.	approve DEIS comment letter, review staff draft letter on Comp Plan
Exec 1.5 hr.	fine tune Comp Plan comment letter - consider focusing on specific elements
LUT 1.5 hr.	fine tune Comp Plan comment letter - consider focusing on specific elements
	DEIS comments due (45-day comment period)
full Comm 1.5 hr.	fine tune final draft Comp Plan comment letter
Special meeting	Approve Comp Plan letter
	Plan comments due (60-day comment period)

Proposed small groups



Growth Strategy (17), Introduction

Everyone

Community Wellbeing (12)	Housing (11)	Land Use (35)
Environment (7) Climate Change (?)	Transportation (25)	
Parks & Open Space (7)		
<i>Andy?</i>	David	<i>Monika?</i>
Jamie	Dhyana	<i>Nick?</i>
Julio	Lauren	Radhika
Kelabe	Matt	Rick
Rose	McCaela	<i>Xio?</i>