Equitable Transit-Oriented Development

Citizen Oversight Panel

2/6/2020



Why we are here

- Today we are here to provide an update on our Transit-Oriented Development Program and 2020 work plan
- TOD Work Program Status and Key Activities:
 - Land Use Planning
 - Development



Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)



TOD promotes ridership by integrating land use and transit.

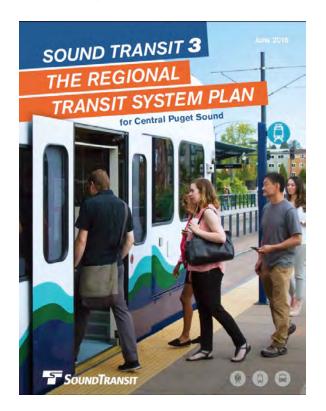
TOD strategies target urban growth around transit facilities and leverage transit investments to help produce regional and local benefits.



April 2018 Equitable TOD Policy Adopted

RCW 81.112.350 80/80/80





TOD Policy Goals

- + Increase the value and effectiveness of transit by increasing transit ridership.
- + Support implementation of state, regional and local growth plans, policies and strategies.
- Make equitable TOD an integral component of and supportive of transit project planning and delivery.
- Engage a broad cross-section of the public, reflecting diverse communities.
- + Encourage creation of housing options near transit with priority given to affordability.
- Encourage convenient, safe multi-modal access to the transit system, with an emphasis on non-motorized access.

Policy Deliverables



1. TOD as core value in project delivery



2. Affordable Housing priority & emphasis on partnerships



3. Joint or Co-development opportunities



Land Use Planning

2019 Land Use Planning highlights

Program

- Developed framework of station planning guidelines for ST3 projects
- Developed criteria for evaluating TOD related elements in early project delivery
- Explored concepts for alternative delivery, integrated development and parking strategies

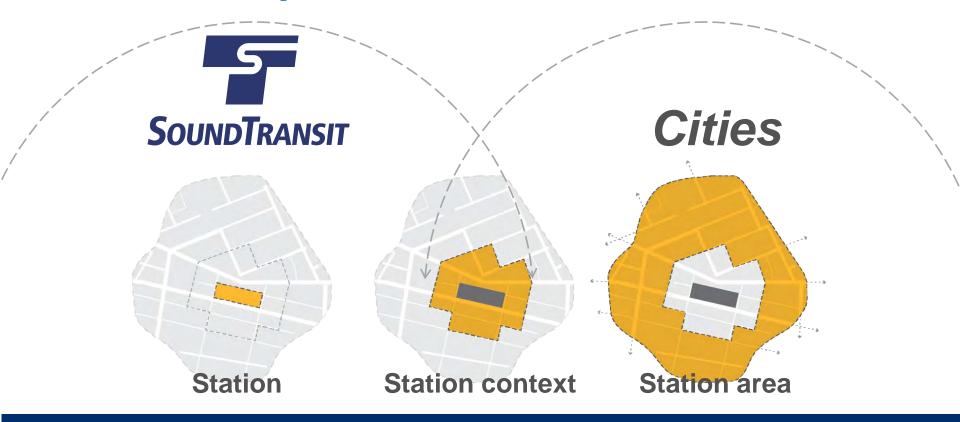
Projects

- Lead urban design and station area planning efforts for WSBLE,
 TDLE, BRT and other capital projects
- Launched station co-planning work on LRT projects entering Phase 2
- Led master planning efforts for several BRT station areas, resulting in optimized site plans





Partnership focus



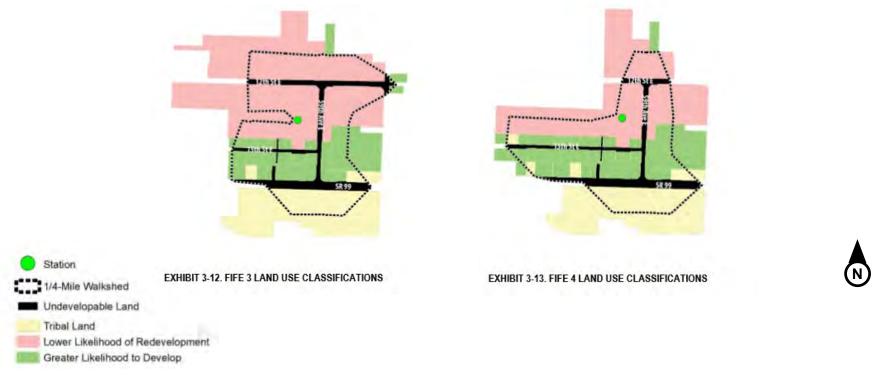
Land Use Planning Approaches – Part 1

Approach	Description	Timing
Development propensity and alternatives screening	Evaluates propensity of different alignments and station locations to support TOD	Alternatives Development
Future Land Use and TOD Analysis	Analyzes potential for joint development and TOD on specific parcels identified as potential acquisition needs for project	Early in Environmental

Land Use Planning Approaches – Part 2

Approach	Description	Timing
Station Context Framework	Establishes a framework for physical development of station and immediate context	Throughout Environmental
Joint Development Master Planning	Develops a specific plan for physical development of transit facilities with other development	Late Environmental into Final Design

Development Propensity



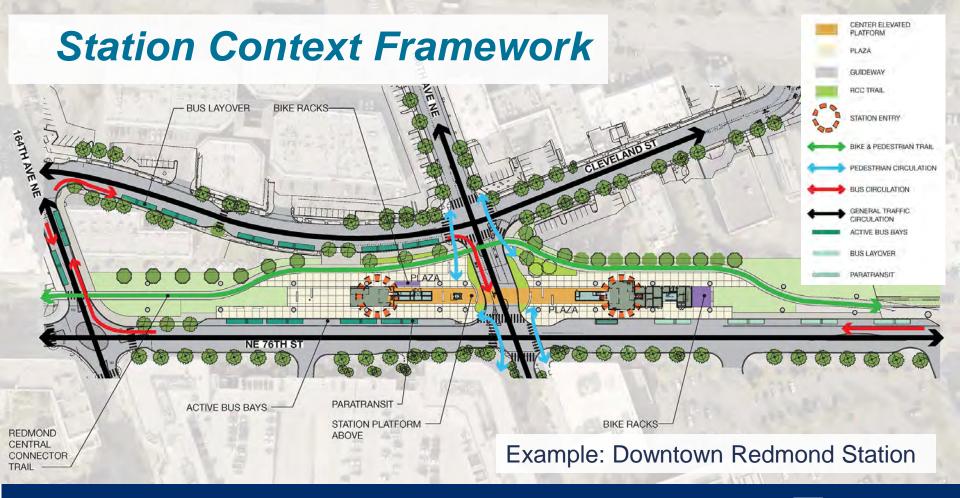
Example: Fife Station Area Development Propensity



Future Land Use and TOD Analysis

Example: Kingsgate TOD Study







Station Context Framework

Purpose

- Identify and resolve design issues earlier through collaboration with communities
- Clarify zones of responsibility between agencies for station area investments
- Contribute to streamlined permitting and project delivery



Joint Development Master Planning

Example:Kenmore Park & Ride





2020 Look-Ahead

Program

- Complete station context planning program guidelines
- Develop alternative delivery strategies for joint development of parking facilities and retail in transit stations

Projects

- Complete first phase of co-planning and station context frameworks on Link projects, including identification of joint development opportunities
- Transition joint development exploration and master planning activities on BRT projects into agreements
- Initiate station planning activities for Everett Link



Development

2019 development highlights

Program

- Finalized new on-call consultant support services contract
- Selected LISC to develop revolving loan fund business plan
- Incorporated lessons learned into guidelines development process

Projects

- Closed on sale of the Beacon Hill TOD site
- Issued an RFP for the OMF East TOD site with affordable housing resources from City of Bellevue, King County, and ARCH
- Completed equitable engagement for Rainier Valley Home Ownership project



Development Guidelines

Guidelines, processes, and tools

- Guidelines development continues, which includes transaction requirements, process documentation, project management tools, etc.
- Feedback from current/past projects is informing work
- The agency will engage external stakeholders prior to finalizing documents
- Communications tools refreshed in 2019
- Strategic plan to implement Equitable TOD Policy with the property portfolio to commence in 2020

Development Guidelines

Areas of focus

- Identification of surplus property/joint development opportunities
- Development strategy process
- Equitable engagement for TOD
- Partnering process
- Transaction requirements
- Design review
- Construction oversight
- Outcomes and reporting





Equitable Engagement Principles

- Commit to equitable, inclusive, accessible and transparent engagement.
- Foster relationships with local and regional stakeholders, including but not limited to, jurisdictions, community organizations, property owners, partners, local communities and the public.
- Complement locally adopted plans and policies with equitable engagement that shapes community vision for agency-owned property.



Equitable Engagement Principles (cont.)

 Appropriately resource engagement efforts to be equitable in opportunity and access, including addressing factors that may otherwise prevent participation.

- Strive to identify, be inclusive of and empower underrepresented and vulnerable communities.
- Ensure equitable engagement with communities of color, immigrants, refugees, and low-income populations by utilizing a variety of strategies, technology, processes and tools.



Equitable Engagement Principles (cont.)

 Strive to identify and pursue creative development delivery strategies that minimize displacement of existing individuals and businesses, consider community and mission-based development, build local wealth and support existing populations, and incorporate locally identified community needs that may include space for small businesses, childcare and healthcare services, and cultural and community institutions.

RCW 81.112.350

Contribute at least \$4 million each year for 5
consecutive years beginning within 3 years of voter
approval of the system plan (November 2019).



 Revolving loan fund to support the development of affordable housing opportunities related to equitable TOD within Sound Transit district.



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- + Support strategies that minimize displacement of individuals from properties near Sound Transit investments

Program development status

Completed

- Coordinated with affordable housing stakeholders and funders
 Confirmed ST goals and program development process
- Selected LISC as business partner to develop business plan
- Contributed first required installment to fund account

Current

- Developing business plan
- **Engaging** affordable housing developers, housing authorities, and funders to inform plan development



Program development status

Future

- Review of the business plan with Board
- Approval of business plan and management contract by Board
- Launch the revolving loan fund



Implementation process







Define

- Review context
- Evaluate potential
- Engage community
- Define goals

Partner

- Align resources
- Select partner
- Negotiate terms
- Seek FTA approval

Realize

- Design, finance, permit TOD*
- Construct TOD*
- Monitor project

*Developer completed



550+ housing units currently under construction



Capitol Hill Sites A-C

428 41% 2020 units affordable opens



139 20% 2021 units affordable opens

700+ affordable housing units preparing for construction



250+ 100% 2022 affordable units opens



360+ 100% 2022 affordable units opens



100+ 100% 2023 affordable units opens



Identifying development partners for TOD sites



Rainier Valley Homes
Negotiating with city



RFP open now

Preparing to find partners for TOD sites

- Angle Lake TOD Sites in SeaTac
- Surrey Downs single family sites in Bellevue
- Mount Baker East Portal site in Seattle

Completing pre-development activities for TOD sites

- Federal Way Transit Center in Federal Way
- Kent/Des Moines Station in Kent
- Overlake Village in Redmond
- U District TOD site in Seattle, and more...



Thank you.



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