

# Greater Downtown Kirkland Regional Growth Center Application

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# Overview

- Regional Centers & Designation
- Greater Downtown Kirkland
- Next Steps & Discussion

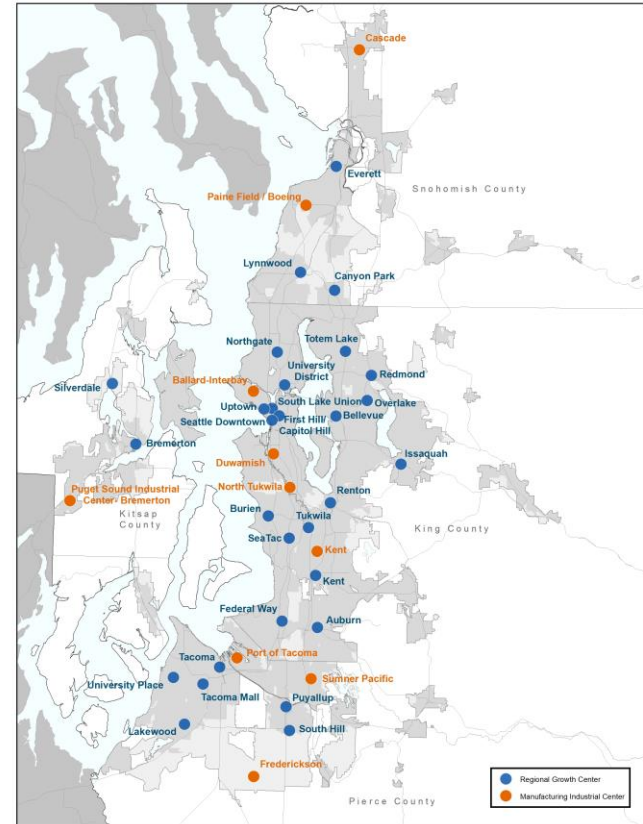


# Regional Centers Framework

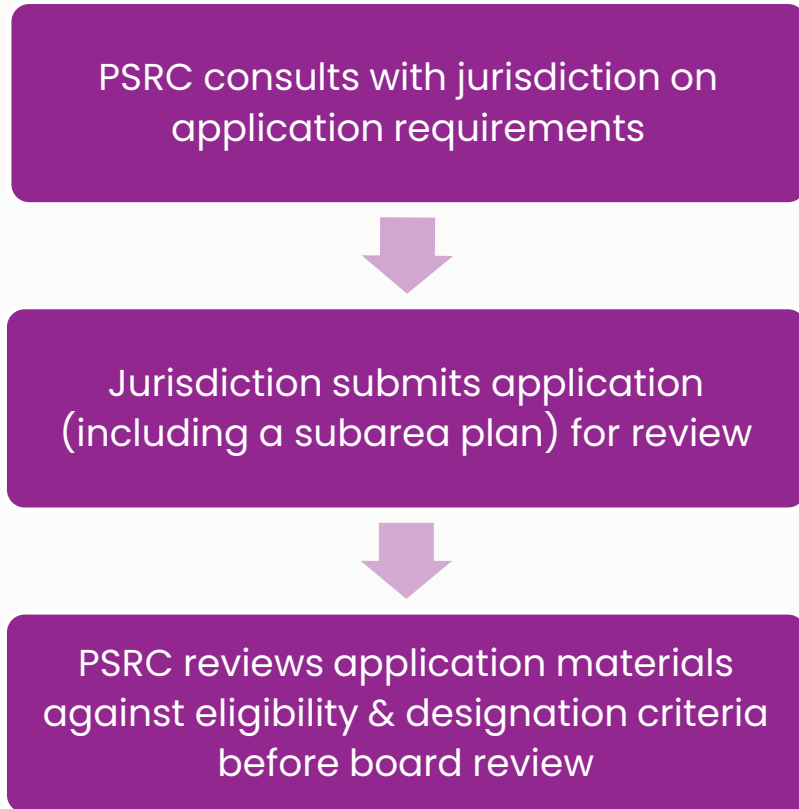
## Key Element of VISION 2050

- Concentrated growth
- Priority for transportation and economic development funding
- Subarea planning expectations
- Established application windows for new centers

Regional growth centers are locations of more compact, pedestrian-oriented development with a mix of housing, jobs, retail, services, and other destinations. *(Regional Centers Framework, 2018)*



# Application Process for New Centers



## Eligibility & Designation Criteria:

- Local and countywide commitment
- Subarea planning
- Jurisdiction & location
- Existing conditions
- Activity levels
- Size
- Transit
- Market potential
- Role



# Greater Downtown Kirkland Regional Growth Center Application

**December 30, 2019:** Application submitted during application window

**January 2020:** PSRC staff reviewed for completeness

- Meets many of the criteria for a new regional growth center
- Does not include an adopted center plan that meets certification requirements

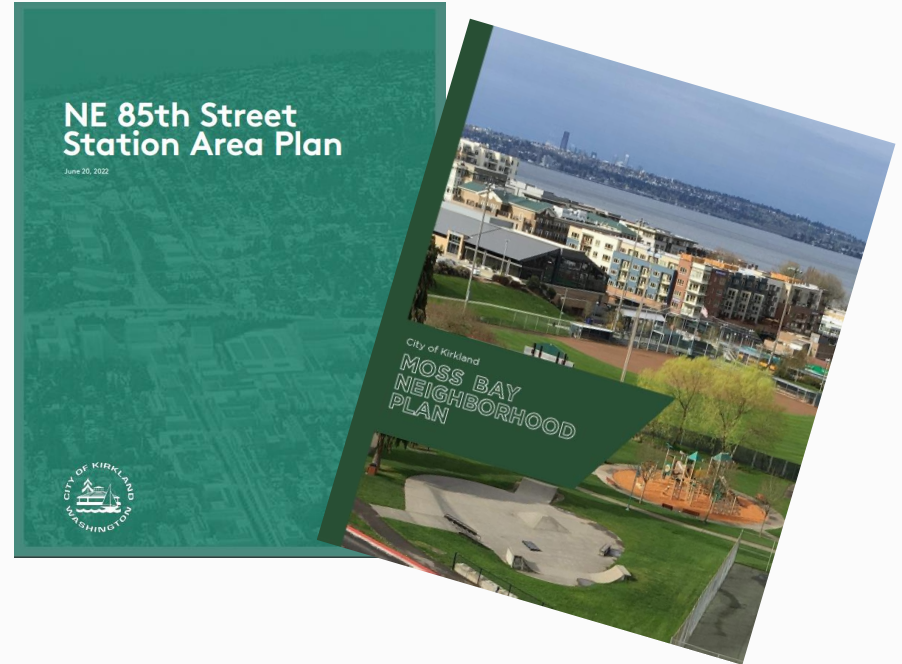
**June 2022:** GMPB directed PSRC to extend consideration through February 2023

**February 2023:** Application resubmitted and in review by PSRC

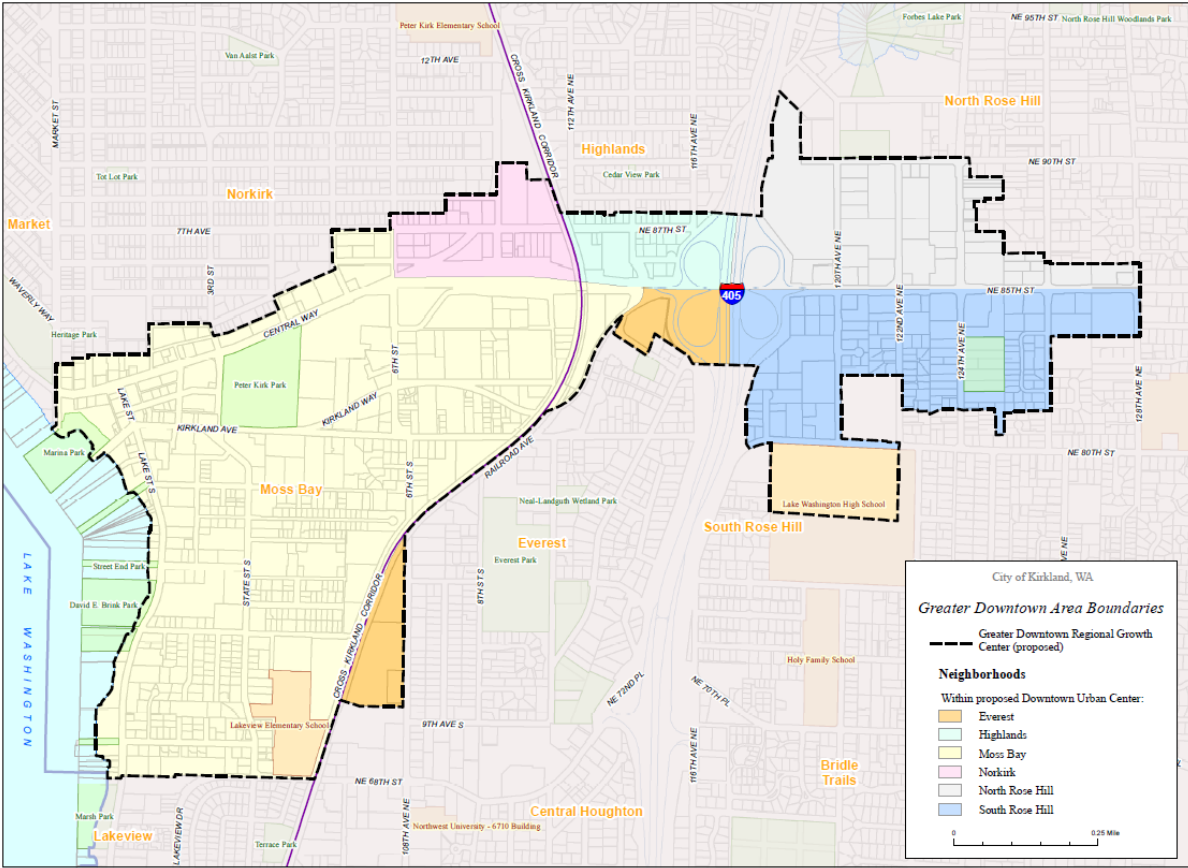


# Application Updates

- Local comprehensive plan support
- Greater Downtown Kirkland Market Study
- Adoption of NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street Station Subarea Plan and Moss Bay Neighborhood Plan



# Greater Downtown Kirkland



# Discussion

What questions or comments do you have about the Greater Downtown Kirkland RGC as the application is being reviewed?





# Next Steps

- Present application to Regional Staff Committee (March 16) for initial discussion
- Finalize review of application and staff report
- Adoption Process

## Eligibility & Designation

Growth Management  
Policy Board (May 4)



Executive Board  
(June 22)

## Subarea Plan Certification

Growth Management  
Policy Board (May 4)



Transportation Policy  
Board (May 11)



Executive Board  
(June 22)



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