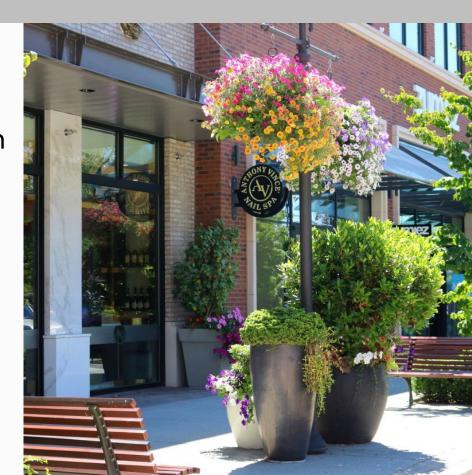
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#### Overview

- Regional Centers & Designation
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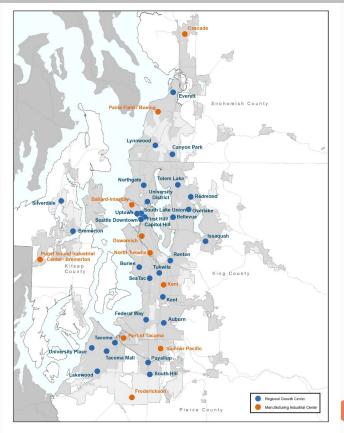


## Regional Centers Framework

#### 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**

PSRC consults with jurisdiction on application requirements



Jurisdiction submits application (including a subarea plan) for review



PSRC reviews application materials against eligibility & designation criteria before board review

#### 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

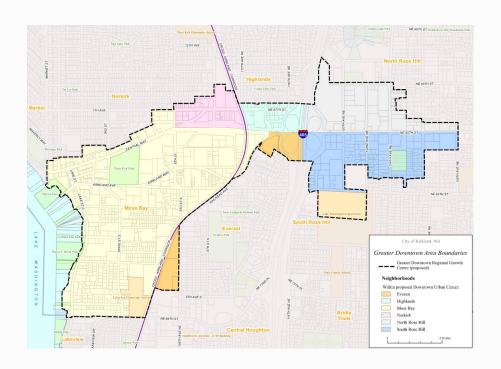
- Meets many of the criteria for a new regional growth center
- Does not include an adopted center plan that meets certification requirements

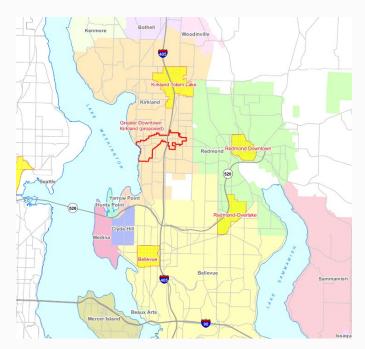
June 2022: GMPB directed PSRC to extend consideration through February 2023

February 2023: Application resubmitted and in review by PSRC



#### Greater Downtown Kirkland

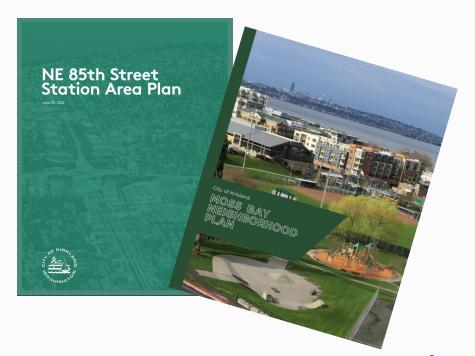






## **Application Updates**

- 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





## **Existing Conditions**



**Moss Bay** 





NE 85<sup>th</sup> St Station Area



### **Future Conditions**





## Current and Planned Activity Levels

	Existing
Population	6,083
Employment	11,156
Activity Units per Acre	30.6





## **Next Steps**

- March 2023 Present application to GMPB, Regional Staff Committee, and Executive Board
- Finalize review of application and staff report
- Adoption Process





#### Discussion

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



