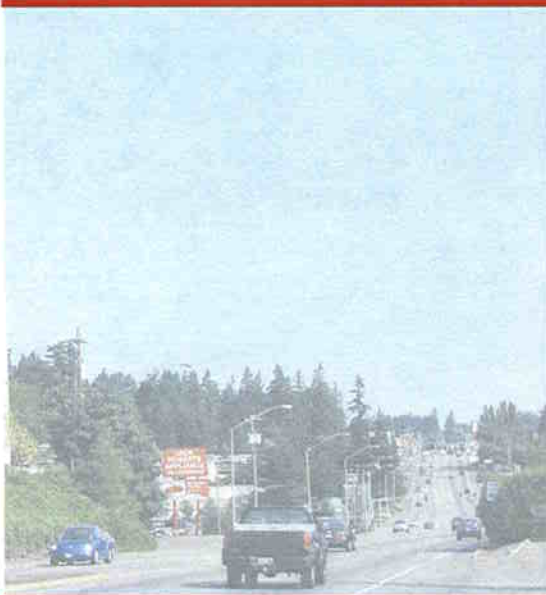


Background VISION

In 1996, the Shoreline City Council established the following set of "Vision Statements" as a set of overall preliminary principles to guide the development of the Comprehensive Plan.



- The City of Shoreline will capitalize on its unique physical strengths as well as its human assets.
- The City's numerous parks and key buildings or other features (e.g., civic center, community college, waterways) shall be interconnected from Puget Sound to all points in Shoreline through natural and built trails, "Green Streets" and special pedestrian walkways. Significant stands of trees will be identified as parts of greenbelts and preserved where possible, to protect and enhance Shoreline's natural environment.
- The Puget Sound shoreline is a unique aspect of the City and should be made more available to all citizens. Other water bodies within the City of Shoreline will be publicly owned and will be centers of public recreation.
- Each road and waterway into the City will have special treatment signaling entry into Shoreline. Gateways are defined by plantings, signage, three dimensional art, etc.
- Preservation of existing residential neighborhoods provides safe, affordable housing of all types for all segments of the community.
- The City's several commercial areas are vital and active, including a variety of shops and services that are pedestrian oriented. Mixed uses, commercial, and light industrial establishments are permitted in selected areas. Centers exist along major arterials. For example, Aurora would have three major centers, each with a theme:
 - Aurora at N 145th Street to N 160th Street would be a retail area.
 - Aurora at N 175th Street to N 185th Street would serve as a civic hub.
 - Aurora at N 195th Street to N 205th Street would serve as an entertainment center.
- Sidewalks, street trees, pedestrian crossings and other pedestrian amenities are provided. Neighborhood business centers would serve surrounding residential areas.
- Regional and local linkages are made between homes, commercial areas, entertainment centers and employment areas.
- Community policing and community pride will serve and protect all segments of the community.

—Shoreline City Council 1996