# Sultan Comprehensive Plan Update Public Engagement Phase I Summary





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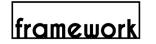














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## Executive Summary

The first of four community engagement phases has concluded for the 2024 periodic update to Sultan's Comprehensive Plan. Between June and September of 2023, the project team approached outreach with the goal of building community awareness of comprehensive planning and used engagement tactics designed to reach the greatest number of residents and stakeholders in the Sultan community. This effort has been successful on many fronts: the project team has spent nearly 60 days engaging with community members at events and gatherings like the farmers market, VOA lunches, and Coffee with the City. Over 750 survey responses, various mapping activities, and kids tabling exercises have also garnered much feedback for the Plan

This report brings together learnings from engagement efforts with an analysis of survey results based on demographics and geography. Furthermore, it expands on these to identify engagement gaps and lessons learned that will be taken forward into subsequent phases of engagement. As Phase II of engagement continues through this fall and winter, the project team will intentionally involve the Hispanic community, youth, Skykomish and Tulalip Tribes, BIPOC community, and those living in West Sultan and south of US-2.

# **Key Findings**

- » More trails, diversified activities, and a community recreation facility are top desires for parks and recreation. For many, a distinguished parks system could strengthen community identity in the future.
- Congestion and safety are major concerns about Sultan's transportation system.
   Alternative east-west routes, safety improvements for walking and biking, and expanded transit service are necessary for improvement.
- » Sufficient infrastructure, alternative forms of homeownership, and more diverse housing types are desired attributes of new growth.
- Restaurants, cafés, daycare, retail offerings, and destinations for kids are among the economic development opportunities sought by residents.
- » Residents see habitat protection and natural hazard mitigation as critical components to Sultan's natural environment.
- Outreach gaps include the Hispanic community, kids, BIPOC residents, local tribes, commercial property owners, and outdoor enthusiasts.
- » Compensation, paper-based materials, and locating outreach activities near everyday destinations are effective approaches that will be carried into Phase II.



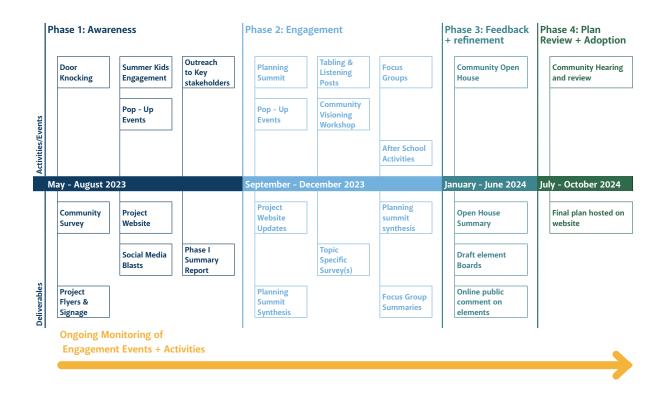
Surveys available at tabling events for community members can be filled out on paper, or online with a phone or laptop using a QR code

# What's Been Done

# Introduction

The City of Sultan is embarking on a significant revision to its Comprehensive Plan, slated for adoption by the end of 2024. This Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update will establish a framework to guide Sultan's development and transformation over the next 20 years. The Plan influences the entire community, so it's imperative to acknowledge and amplify a diversity of community voices in an authentic and equitable way.

This Community Engagement Report summarizes outreach activities within Phase I of the Public Engagement Plan and identifies high-level themes based on community input. These themes will eventually establish a renewed community vision and optimize Phase II of engagement, in which community members will provide input on the vision and engage with focused subject-matter activities that will guide the Comprehensive Plan and specific elements.



## Engagement Strategy Overview

The Sultan 2044 Comprehensive Plan Update depends on community-wide input to identify what the City should prioritize and what actions it should take over the next 20 years. In June of 2023, Framework and the City developed a strategic approach to involve as many residents and stakeholder groups as possible in a Public Engagement Plan, which identified the following goals and important groups of stakeholders:

### Goals

» Achieve broad participation and input in the engagement process by using a wide variety of engagement methods and languages, making **equitable contact** with 15% of Sultan's population

- Provide the information and resources to inform the public about comprehensive planning and its importance to the future of the city
- Reduce barriers to community engagement by reaching the community where they Ensure that the Comprehensive Plan reflects public input and the desires of the community
- Reach a broader swath of the public by utilizing existing community assets and leadership
- » Build community capacity by identifying and utilizing new community leaders

### **Equitable Contact**

Equitable contact means contact with a diverse selection of the community representing a variety of racial and ethnic groups, socio-economic groups, ages, and abilities.



### Important Stakeholder Groups

- » Sultan's business community
- » Downtown property owners
- » Commercial property owners along US-2
- Residents of neighborhoods off Sultan Basin Road
- » Black, Indigenous, and Other Communities of Color
- » Kids
- » Seniors
- » Low-income residents
- » Developers
- » Tulalip and Skykomish Tribes
- » Bikers, Hikers, and other outdoor enthusiasts

The Engagement Plan has four key phases. Phase I of the plan focuses on building community awareness of the comprehensive planning process, using engagement tactics designed to reach the greatest number of residents and stakeholders in the Sultan community.

This report covers activities and learnings from Phase I, incorporating the findings and data collected over this phase to inform Phase II. The purpose of Phase II is to advance the community's understanding of comprehensive planning, engage people in topic-specific activities and discussions, and, ultimately, involve community members contacted in Phase I to provide input on the vision that will guide the plan. Key activities include a planning summit, visioning workshop, focus group discussions with key stakeholders, and a spring community dinner. Together, the activities in Phase II will contribute to the draft Comprehensive Plan, which the project team will bring forward for community feedback prior to adoption of the final Plan.

# Phase I Engagement

June 1 - September 17

Comprehensive planning is complex, and the ramifications for community members can be hard to understand at the individual- or household-level. Phase I of the engagement process focused on reaching people where they are at, increasing community awareness, and understanding of the comprehensive planning process.

Throughout the summer of 2023, the project team connected with the Sultan community through a variety of engagement activities with the goal of communicating with as many people as possible. The City also hired two community engagement interns over the summer to further expand their reach. Activities ranged from attendance at civic and community events to creating handout materials and knocking door-to-door.

### **Activities & Events**

#### Sultan Farmers Market - 11 days

Every week, the project team hosted a table at the Sultan Farmers Market where they provided information, listened to community feedback, encouraged responses to the community survey, and provided interest forms / volunteer sign-up sheets for those who want to engage more with the Plan. Over the course of the summer, a variety of interactive mapping and photo preference activities were used to gather specific feedback and to generate focused conversations.

#### Sultan Shindig - 3 days (July 7-9)

The project team hosted a table every day during Sultan Shindig where they provided information, recorded community feedback,



Interactive maps and preference activities asked community members to put their stamp on the engagement process

and administered the community survey. The table also included a Placelt activity where people—especially kids—were encouraged to place LEGOs on citywide base map where they desire future commercial activities, parks, housing, and transportation linkages across the city.

#### National Night Out - 1 day (August 1)

The project team provided general project information, recorded community feedback, and facilitated a budgeting game, where people were instructed to allocate a limited amount of monopoly money to various City budget items like parks, housing, transportation, police, schools, economic development, and capital facilities.



Coloring sheets asked kids to draw their favorite places in Sultan

#### Red Apple Listening Posts -6 days (ongoing)

City staff sits outside the entrance of Red Apple a few days a week to engage with community members on general project information, interactive mapping exercises, photo preference activities, and to administer surveys. The timing of these sessions has been adjusted to interact with a variety people shopping at different times during the day.

#### VOA Lunches - 11 days (ongoing)

City staff attend weekly social lunches to chat with seniors and other residents about the comprehensive plan and to collect survey responses.

#### Coffee with the City - 11 days (ongoing)

Every Thursday at City Hall, City staff provide updates and answer questions from community members and other departments at City Hall. On occasion, mapping exercises and/or photo preference activities have been used to spur focused conversations. Because Coffee with the City existed long before the comprehensive plan update process, it provides an ideal opportunity for the project team to engage with Sultan's community where they already are.

#### City Hall Tabling - 10 days (ongoing)

City staff make themselves available in the City Hall atrium several days a week at a Sultan 2044 information table. This venue has been used to interact with community members visiting the Sno Isle Library and City Hall on everything from general project information and specific community concerns to focused comprehensive planning discussions depending on the tabling activity.

#### Door Knocking 6 days (ongoing)

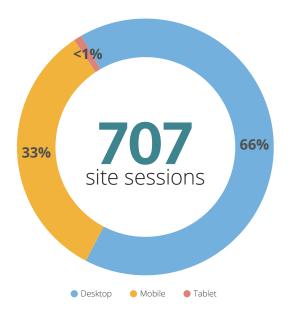
The project team occasionally visits downtown businesses and a variety neighborhoods to describe of the Comprehensive Plan project, record community feedback, hand out flvers. administer surveys, and inform people to how to get involved. To date, the team has gone door-to-door in the neighborhoods on the southern end of Sultan Basin Road and Wyndam Highlands.

#### City Council & Planning Board Meetings (ongoing)

The project team frequently provides updates to Sultan City Council and Planning Board members on engagement findings and other project components. So far, City staff and Framework have presented at 6 meetings.

### **Project Website & Other Media**

The Sultan 2044 Project website was launched in June 2023 as a resource for comprehensive planning education, project updates (blog posts), engagement opportunities, and more. The website is accessible in English, Spanish, and Hindi and will include more information as key milestones such as the Existing Conditions Report and Draft Plan are reached in the future.





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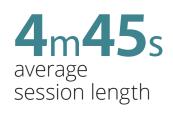
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Tyles Legos, Bubbles, and Great **Community Conversations** at Sultan Shindig

Suhala Alshahumi

Engaging Locally at Sultan Farmers Market July 1st, the City of Sultan

Suhaila Alshahumi Aug 4 • 1 min Engaging the Community for Positive Change

Suhaila Alshahumi Jul 29 · 3 min

Insights from the Community Survey



Results from a mapping exercise asking community members to pinpoint their preferences

# What We've Heard

# **Public Comments**

The project team gathered and recorded public comments while attending events throughout Phase I. Comments received from community members and visitors cover a wide array of aspirations and anxieties about the future of Sultan and will directly influence the direction of the Plan. Below are summaries of common feedback split out by Comprehensive Plan element. Raw comments can be found in Appendix A.

### **Parks & Recreation**

- Residents express a strong desire for more parks, green spaces, and walking trails.
- There is interest in establishing a YMCA in Sultan to provide local access to swimming lessons and recreational programs.

- » Suggestions for park improvements include bicycle and running trails, playground structures for families, facilities for organized sports like basketball or baseball, and more waterfront access and amenities.
- » Residents and visitors love the City's existing parks but would love to see more diversity in park activities and programming in the future. Some popular examples include a splashpad, swimming pool, climbing structure, and pump track for bicycles.
- » Parks and recreation should be a distinguished attraction in Sultan's future. Many community members support the idea of outdoor recreation and/or sporting events as defining features of community identity.

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The Placelt activity revealed just how many ideas the community brought forward for the plan

### **Transportation**

- » Traffic congestion on US-2 is a common concern, with many requests for alternative east-west routes to alleviate congestion. Some community members support roundabouts on the highway as a solution to traffic problems, while others remain skeptical of their functionality and effectiveness.
- Some community members see the US-2 roundabouts as an opportunity to punctuate the corridor with signage, public art, and a mix of uses.
- » Safety is a common concern along US-2, Sultan Basin Road, and other local streets in Sultan. This is an increasing priority for community members as more kids and families are attempting to walk or bike while vehicle speeding and road rage have increased.

- » People are hopeful that protected bike lanes could provide relief for local traffic and integrate into local walking routes and/or the regional trail network.
- » Walkable areas are few and far between, particularly along Sultan Basin Road. An expanded network of sidewalks, improvements that address safety and ADA issues, and more crosswalks are all cited as ways to improve walkability in Sultan.
- » Some people express the need for expanded bus service on US-2 and within the City, especially given that several car-free households rely on Community Transit for their medical appointments, grocery shopping, and other daily needs.



### Land Use

- There is concern about continued growth on Sultan Basin Road given the unmatched improvements in parks, mobility networks, and other infrastructure.
- » Sultan Basin Road residents desire commercial uses closer to their homes so groceries, dining, and other activities can be accomplished without driving into downtown or Monroe.
- Residents in Mid-Town and other neighborhoods north of Downtown are interested in small commercial and retail opportunities closer to their homes.

### Housing

- Considering Sultan's continued growth and increasing affordability challenges, many residents have expressed the need for alternative paths to homeownership and a wider variety of housing options including condos and multi-family homes.
- » Some community members are concerned about the impact of new housing development, with some emphasizing the need to maintain a balance between growth and over-densifying.
- » There is an increasing desire for workforce housing.
- Some residents have innovative ideas for infill housing on larger, underutilized lots in Sultan including cottage housing and tiny home villages.

### **Community Design**

- » Many community members love Sultan because of its close-knit and friendly atmosphere, which provides a relief from the hustle and bustle of more dense areas in the region.
- » Downtown Sultan would be more attractive and comfortable with improved storefronts, distinct wayfinding, more green space, and street trees. People also desire a central gathering place like a community plaza.
- Arts and culture is another absent characteristic of Downtown in the minds of many community members.
   People envision a future where community events, public art, and more define the experience of Downtown.
- » Residents note that new subdivisions are monotonous and disconnected from the rest of the city. New residential development also tends to lack design features unique to Sultan.

### **Economic Development**

- Economic development activities are seen as crucial for Sultan's growth and prosperity.
- Residents want more diverse businesses such as restaurants, cafés, hardware stores, and entertainment options.
- » A more robust grocery store is commonly mentioned by residents as a necessity.
- The community wants to champion local businesses and entrepreneurs over larger chains.
- Destinations for kids like an arcade, bowling alley, and learning centers are frequently desired amenities for families.
- » Vacant storefronts need to be

addressed and matched with the many entrepreneurs that are attempting to start businesses in Sultan.

- Community members and business owners frequently discuss the need for more support for new businesses plus retention efforts for their workforce.
- » Daycare and medical facilities are among the critical everyday needs many residents wish they could satisfy locally.
- » The community wants gathering spaces and places for co-working.
- » Many community members want Sultan to be a regional destination for visitors and not just a place that people quickly drive through.
- Investment in Sultan's youth is a popular topic with enthusiasm for expanded recreation, STEM, music, and other educational programs.



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### **Environment**

- » Preserving open spaces and ecological functioning come up frequently during discussions about the importance of parks and green space to the community.
- » The protection of habitat for salmon, deer, and other wildlife is important to residents.
- » Many residents are passionate about mitigating the impacts of climate change and concerned about the risk of floods and wildfire.
- The community is increasingly interested in actions to reduce local emissions and vehicle miles traveled.

### Other

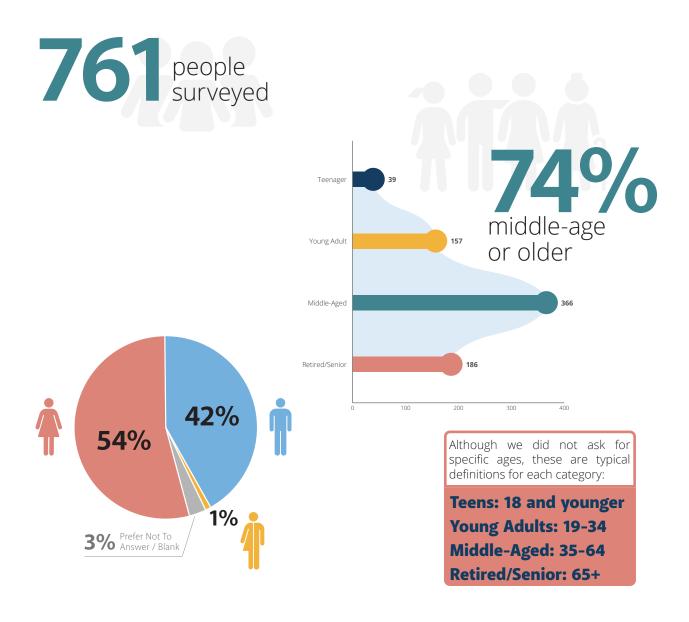
- » There are continued concerns about public school facilities, including desires for improved maintenance and increased capacity to accommodate a growing population.
- » Community members are worried about other community health challenges like drug use and addiction.
- Some communities feel physically isolated and not everyone feels welcome

Overall, the community was passionate about improving local amenities and diversifying economic opportunities while working to retain Sultan's small-town charm and natural beauty.



## Sultan Community Survey

The Sultan Community Survey was made available to everyone in Sultan, community members and visitors alike, to gather opinions on the Comprehensive Plan Update as well as basic demographic information. A major focal point for community feedback, this survey could be completed online or on paper, and both a QR code and physical copies were made available during the Phase I engagement activities. Paper copies were also on hand at the library and could be dropped off there as well once completed. The survey was translated into Spanish and Hindi to ensure equitable input from all members of the community.





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**19%** identify as People of Color

> 10% Hispanic or Latino 75% Caucasian or White alone

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Other	Cost of Living	Downtown Amenities	Restaurants & Attractions	L c e
		Transportation & Walkability	Social Support Systems	

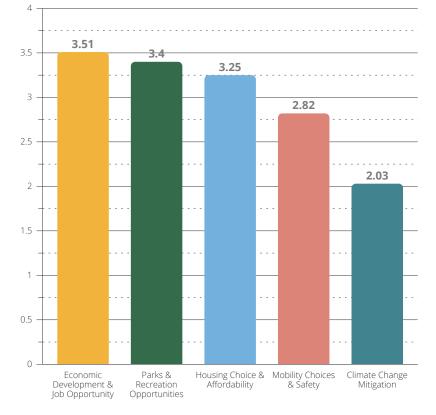
### **Sultan of Today**

The survev asked community members what they love most about Sultan. Overwhelmingly, respondents expressed a love for Sultan's parks and natural beauty, for its sense of community, and for its "small town feel," a phrase which appeared over 150 times as a write-in response.

Left: The relative size of each box corresponds to the popularity of each aspect of Sultan.

### Sultan of Tomorrow

The survey also asked what the City should prioritize moving into the future to ensure that Sultan continues flourish. to ranked Respondents five topics in order of importance, and each was assigned a score from 1 (Least Important) to 5 (Most Important). Scores were then averaged across the full set of responses, with Economic Development and Job Opportunity being identified as the most important topic overall by Sultan residents.

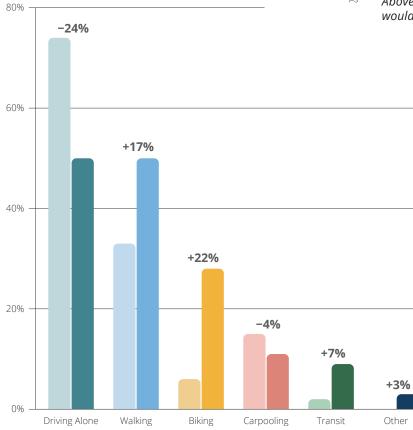


Prioritization Scoring Results

When it comes to new destinations in Sultan, cafés and restaurants are in high demand. Fifty-eight percent of respondents agreed that Sultan needs more of these places, with them receiving over four times as many votes of the least in-demand category (social services).

#### What Moves Sultan?

Finally, respondents were asked about their transportation choices and how they get around Sultan today, and then again about how they would like to get around Sultan in the future. Comparing responses for their current mode of travel to their desired mode of travel to their desired mode of travel reveals that residents are enthusiastic about swapping their cars for a pair of good shoes and a bike.



Above: New destinations that Sultan residents would like to see, displayed by popularity.

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42%

Retail Shops

Services

14%

Today, 74% of people say they most often drive alone around Sultan. This is over twice as popular as walking (33%), and over twelve times as popular as biking (6%).

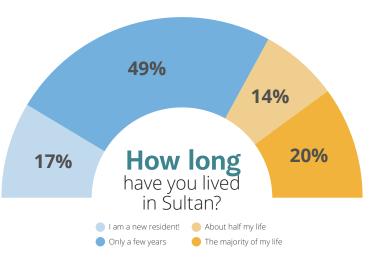
However, the survey shows that the gap closes considerably in an ideal future. People who want to walk shoots up to 50%, becoming equal to those who want to drive. Biking also increases in popularity by almost five times, and transit usage sees a similar jump. With carpooling seeing a dip as well, the desired Sultan of the future places much less importance on the car.

Current Mobility (light) vs Desired Future Options (dark)

### **Changing Demographics**

Rapid growth and its effects on the community was one of the most popular issues we heard throughout Phase I. This sentiment is supported by official population estimates. For example, the 2020 Census measured the city's population to be 5,146. As of April 2023, Washington's Office of Financial Management (OFM) estimates Sultan's population at 6,730 – a **31% increase** in the past three years.

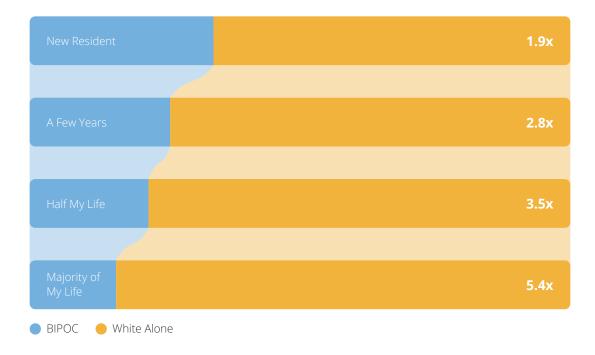
This growth could also be observed in the Community Survey findings,

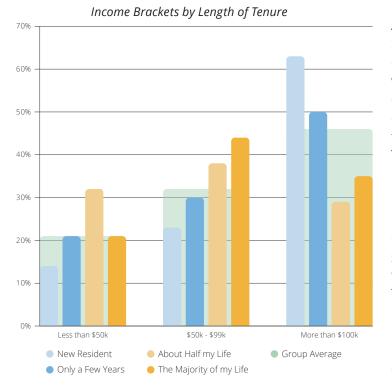


with nearly two-thirds of all Sultan residents who responded saying they were either new to the city or had lived in Sultan for only a few years.

Newer residents in Sultan tended to be more ethnically and racially diverse based on the survey results. 34% of New Residents responding to the survey identified as Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC) while 66% of responders identified as only "Caucasian or white."

Put another way, there are about two new white residents for every one new BIPOC resident. In contrast, for those who report being in Sultan for the majority of their life, there are over five white residents for every one POC, meaning the makeup of longer-term residents is much less diverse compared to those families moving to Sultan today. The relative ratios of white residents to BIPOC residents increases at every level of tenure, illustrated below.



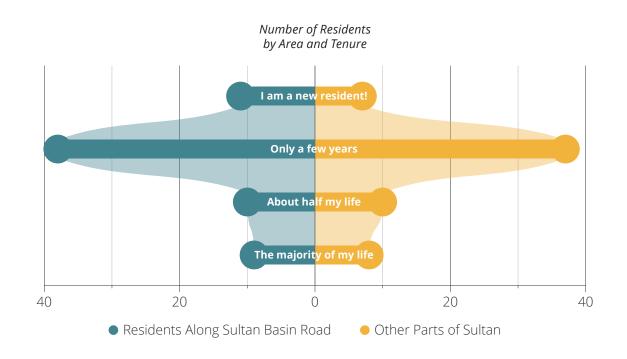


Additionally, households newer to Sultan are also more likely to make over \$100,000 annually than others, with new residents reporting income over that level at a higher rate than every other group - followed by those living in Sultan for Only a Few Years, also reporting above average income.

#### **Mapping Preferences**

One of the key features of the survey was giving people the ability to pinpoint their homes on a map. This links their responses to the neighborhoods where they live, providing valuable insight about the preferences of people across the city.

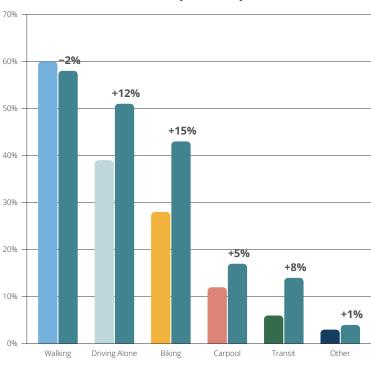
New homes constructed to along Sultan Basin Road were another popular point of discussion heard by the project team. For those who responded to the survey and provided their home locations, very weak correlation was found between the length of time somebody had lived in Sultan and whether or not they lived along Sultan Basin Road compared to elsewhere in Sultan.



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The survey did find a few notable differences in preferences based on where responders lived. For example, those living along Sultan Basin Road expressed more interest in biking in the future than the average respondent, but slightly less interest in walking (see figure). Driving was also more important to this group, with Driving Alone, Carpool, and Transit seeing higher than average interest.

This matches up with community discussions about the pain points associated with this dispersed housing pattern. Walkable facilities are lacking along Sultan Basin Road, leaving residents to drive, bus, or use a bike for better access.



Residents Along Sultan Basin Road

Desired Mobility Choices by Area



# **Gap Analysis**

It is essential that engagement efforts are carried out in such a way as to encourage participation that reflects the demographics of the city. The following gaps have been identified upon the conclusion of Phase I and are guiding the engagement strategies, locations, and events emphasized in Phase II.

## 1. Disproportionate engagement with Sultan's Hispanic/Latino community

According to most recent population data (American Community Survey Estimates for 2021), 25% of Sultan residents identify as Hispanic. This exposes a substantial deficit when considering only 10% of survey respondents identified as Hispanic or Latino. While demographic data was only gathered in the community survey, it is likely that other project outreach has also unmatched the demographic makeup of the city as a whole.

#### 2. Underrepresentation of youth

Middle-aged and senior residents made up 73% of survey respondents, while only XX% of survey-takers identified as teenagers or young adults. This response outcome overamplifies middle-aged and senior residents (42% of Sultan's population is 40+ years old) and underrepresents young adults and kids (35% of Sultan's population is 24 years old or younger).

### 3. Little engagement with residents in West Sultan and south of US-2

Based on the survey question "where do you live," few responses have come from community members living in South and West Sultan. As with the demographic gaps above, the geographies of engaged residents are only known through survey data, but these neighborhoods have not been explicitly visited during other outreach efforts.

## 4. Other missing key stakeholder groups from the Public Engagement Plan

Skykomish and Tulalip Tribe members and Black, Indigenous, and Other Communities of Color were identified as priority groups in the Public Engagement Plan. Similarly, commercial property owners along US-2 and outdoor enthusiasts were other cohorts that the project set out to elevate. Based on survey results and catalogued interactions at community events, these groups have yet to be explicitly engaged with during the project.

Sultan's growing and diversifying population must guide its refreshed community vision and subsequent policymaking. Not only will the project team strive to amplify the voices of the underrepresented and missing groups above during phase II of outreach, but it will also continue to provide a platform for all community members, new and old, over the life of the 2044 Plan Update. In doing so, it is an overarching goal of the project to instill a lasting sense of community belonging and active civic culture for years to come.

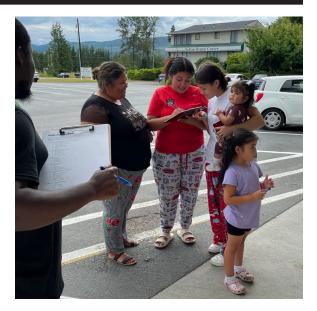
# Lessons Learned & Next Steps

In the first four months of the City's comprehensive planning process, several lessons have been learned about how community members best respond to outreach efforts and, consequently, what should be carried forward as outreach efforts progress. The project team is also able to strategize how to address existing gaps by outlining the next steps for Phase II.

# Reflections

A variety of approaches to engagement were taken over the first phase of outreach, including attending community events, tabling at key locations, door-knocking, surveying in digital and paper format, encouraging participation in topic-specific mapping and other activities, and by simply engaging in open-ended discussions with community members. The following findings are highlighted as guidance for the outreach efforts ahead.

- » Many community members are comfortable with paper-based materials. The option for hand-written survey responses and physical flyers for project information and comprehensive planning education works well for many residents.
- People are more amenable to engagement if it's part of their daily routine. Setting up engagement



activities and listening posts at everyday destinations has allowed the project team to interact with a wider range of residents.

- » Targeted outreach is necessary. Kids, new residents, seniors, and others may be less likely to stop by an engagement activity on their own accord. Approaching these groups at their homes or their common gathering places or institutions is necessary to get them involved.
- » Compensation for people's time is appreciated. Offering financial incentives in exchange for community members' participation helps to underscore how valuable any and all feedback is to the project.

The lessons above are being drawn on to refine the engagement approach pursued in Phase II.

# **Next Steps**

Phase II of community engagement is underway and the project team is keen to apply the lessons learned during Phase I to address existing gaps and harness momentum. The table below provides an overview of upcoming events and activities. Specific details will develop as events approach.

Generally, Phase II will continue general comprehensive planning education, engage people in topic-specific activities and discussions, and involve community members contacted in Phase I to provide input on the vision that will guide the plan. The following strategy is designed to rectify existing engagement gaps and will ensure events and activities are approachable as possible for the entire Sultan community.

- Lead every comprehensive planning interaction with education and clear expectations.
- » Listen to all and any feedback, but focus discussions on relevant topics.
- Continue compensation, strategic activity siting, and other effective approaches from Phase I.
- » Conduct targeted outreach at schools, HOA meetings, community hubs, churches, and unrepresented neighborhoods to amplify the voices of kids, the Hispanic community and other BIPOC residents, tribal members, and other missing stakeholder groups.
- » Diversify communication mediums.
- Catalogue contact information, reconnect, and encourage a civic culture among residents.

Category	Specific Activity	Tent. Date	Location	Relevant Comp Plan Element
	The Road is Lava	Oct/Nov	Community-wide	Transportation
Pop-Up Activity	Community Trail Network Exploration	Oct/Nov	Community-wide	Parks, Recreation, and Open Space; Transportation
	Return of the Salmon	Sept 23	Osprey Park	Parks, Community Design
Tabling at Community Events	Education Jamboree	Oct 9	Sultan Middle School	Parks, Recreation, and Open Space; Community Design; Transportation
	High School Football Games	Fridays in the Fall	Sultan High School	Varies
Daily Staff Outreach	Coffee with the City	Thursdays	City Hall	Varies
	VOA Lunches	Wednesdays	VOA	Varies
Engagement	Red Apple Listening Posts	Varies	Red Apple	Varies
Planning Summit	Planning Summit + Visioning Workshop	Nov 13-15	Middle School + Online	Several
Council Visioning Workshop	Council Visioning + Scoping Workshop	Dec	City Hall	Several
Focus Groups + Key Stakeholder Interviews	Focus Group Discussions	Jan-Feb. 2024	Sultan High School/Online	Several

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ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	Comment
2	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	Park Planning was on many folks mind. We had some in depth conversations with families in the newer part of Sultan who are interested in parks/green spaces/places to walk. In Wyndham subdivision they opted to pay the fee in lieu for parks and did not provide a lot of park amenities in their developments. Incidentally Cyd Donk mentioned we are waiting to receive a fee in lieu of payment for parks that will be around \$140,000. At least three families told me that they use Monroe Parks including Lake Tye Park for its playground amenities and the ability to walk a stroller around a water feature
14	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	N/A	The residents of Sultan are strongly advocating for the establishment of a YMCA in our community. Currently, families who want to enroll their children in swimming lessons have to travel all the way to Monroe, resulting in significant time and traffic congestion. It is frustrating to spend more than two hours in Sultan's traffic for just a 30-minute swimming lesson. By having a YMCA facility in Sultan, we would greatly alleviate this inconvenience and provide a local option for families to access swimming lessons and other beneficial programs.
15	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Darci and Steve	Bicycle trails are needed and more walking opportunities/trails.
47	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	N/A	Community parks only for the people of Sultan. Many people come to our parks, but do not live here
55	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Brandon	We need a bridge between parks across the Sultan River. We need more baseball fields. We need to work on getting sponsors signage at each field along with field naming rights by area businesses. These moves to monetize the public fields will contribute significant revenue to Parks and Recreation Departments. Maltby was a great example of this according to Brandon. They are paying \$500 dollars to \$1,000 dollars annually.
56	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Tara and family	Preserve and enhance our green spaces in this beautiful place. Loves the peace and quiet of the area. Concerns about losing open spaces near the Skate Park. Tara's family members thought more trails would be great.
59	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2024	Peggy and Herb and Family	<ul> <li>Bike trails (more)</li> <li>Shooting range.</li> <li>More Par Three Golf Opportunities.</li> </ul>
62	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Melissa and family	<ul> <li>Need a swimming pool in town. We used to have one.</li> <li>Water Parks/Splash Park at the old attorney's office.</li> <li>Trails/Bike Trails</li> </ul>
67	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Majeti and family	<ul> <li>They live in the Sultan Basin.</li> <li>Need safe skate boarding place and a better place.</li> <li>More river links</li> </ul>
73	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Ms Fretwell (Senior Center)	Her mother owns property on first across from Osprey Park and would like to sell the property to the City for a future Park Expansion.
75	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Joe and Stephanie and family	•We want a splash park somewhere downtown!
85	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Will	Safe place to run, safe side walks and trails.
91	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	School Board Candidate Perillo	We need park opportunities up Sultan Basin Road. Loves the idea of a splash pad or swimming pool.
94	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Jim	Loves Osprey Park fishing and wildlife, and ability to use his dirtbikes.
ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	TRANSPORTATION
1	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	No surprise that the highway back ups of the past few days were on just about everyone's mind
8	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	Some discussion and concerns about South Basin Road.
13	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	N/A	The residents of Sultan are expressing their urgent need for sidewalks, particularly for the safety and convenience of our elderly community. Currently, the lack of sidewalks poses a significant safety concern along the main street. It is crucial that we address this issue by implementing sidewalks to provide a safe and accessible pedestrian pathway for all residents

They think we should have all of the new round abouts, four lane the highway.



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Staff Interaction -Farmers Market

7/1/2023

Darci and Steve

16	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Dave Coesens	Traffic hurts business formation in Sultan.
17	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Donna	Loves Sultan. She has lived in Sultan for 46 years. Traffic is the biggest issue.
20	Staff Interactions - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Bonnie Arballo	We would like to see more round abouts address the traffic. One family member works in Snohomish and one in Everett. The other day it took two hours to get home. Turning left out of these neighborhoods is a pain.
22	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Mary and Scott from Eagle Ridge	The lights on US 2 must be messed up. It is really bad at Sultan Basin Road now. Turning movements are impeded from a driving point of view. Recently they were stuck with a 2.5 hour wait due to accidents and traffic light issues.
24	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Marcie	Interested in walking, bike trails and with other modes to get around town and is concerned about being trapped in Sultan. They want better sidewalks around town and to address any ADA issues
25	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	N/A	The residents are expressing their deep concern and frustration regarding the allocation of a budget of 177 million dollars for the construction of five roundabouts. Many believe that this amount is excessive and could be better utilized to address pressing needs in the city, such as improving schools, repairing roads, and building sidewalks, among other essential infrastructure projects. It is important for the city to carefully consider alternative ways to allocate these funds to benefit the community as a whole.
26	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Karolyn	Alternative routes are needed so that people cannot be stuck on U.S 2 Highway (Hwy).
30	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Sue Bel	Road improvement on Hwy 2 is needed. More sidewalks are needed in some streets in Sultan for safety.
30	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Sue Bel	Road improvement on Hwy 2 is needed. More sidewalks are needed in some streets in Sultan for safety.
31	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Summer Huddy	We need more alternative routes
36	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Caleb	Traffic is the most concern to Sultans and the enlargement of the Hwy 2 is needed.
38	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Nathan	We need alternative routes because we always on the hyw 2. I love Sultan that is why I bought a house here and still lives here.
40	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Lupe	Despite of traffic issue, I still love Sultan because it is peaceful and quiet.
43	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Roman	An installation of a toll fee would be important on the new road.
44	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Rick	Road improvements is highly needed. Everything else is good.
46	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Shane	Toll fee and bypasses should be considered because we do not want to be stuck on Hwy 2.
48	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Joy	Alternative routes would be great. The quality of life here in Sultan is great. I can go anywhere in the downtown
50	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Shannon Rich and family	Back up on Basin Road now is getting very difficult. We need alternatives. We need to communicate and keep people updated. Invest in bike lanes
52	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Rachel and her Husband and family	Need to deal with Transportation issues – Joe was adamant on this issue. would like to see more bike opportunities
53	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Jackie and significant other and family	More bus stops pleaseShe has a two mile walk to the bus stop which consumes more time. This is no longer a reasonable option. Because of the greater walking distance to the closest stop.
54	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	David	Old Town needs sidewalks on third avenue.
57	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Ketiki and large family	Traffic is a problem
60	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Rick	Lived here all his life. Likes it the way it is. Keep it small. Likes no change. Traffic is an issue that we have to deal with.
61	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Dion, Marie, and family	•Traffic is a huge issue. Glad the city is making more moves on this. •More sidewalks to connect the community – walk to our parks make the city far more walkable rather than invest in cars to try and do it that soon.
63	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Mark (WSDOT Retired	Remember we have a freight mobility highwayIts important for our Elected representatives to acknowledge that we need alternative routes. Boeing needs this route as well.



93	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	N/A	in Gold Bar (Kellogg Lake Road). This is a serious safety concern and the Mayor and cops don't care
92	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Young mom with two sons live on 132nd Street	We need more east-west connections other than US-2. Evacuation route is ok, but could be improved. How about other nonmotorized trail linkages? Extreme speeding on Sultan Basin past their house. Mostly drivers taking the cut-through
90	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Brandyn	We need more routes and road connection. Traffic is the biggest issue
89	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	William and Wife	Fern Bluff road should be closed. Pedestrian bridge is useless because it is not helping the public
88	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Tricia	We need alternative routes.
86	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Kelsy	Traffic is terrible.
84	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Mike	I have everything that I need, but traffic is bad
79	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Brad and family	Traffic issues must be solvedwe need alternatives – round abouts somewhat skeptical if they will work. Four lands will work better.
76	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Kirk Lange	<ul> <li>Thank you for doing this.</li> <li>Traffic is a pain. It needs to be fixed.</li> <li>Alternative routes are needed.</li> <li>Emergency routes are needed.</li> <li>Get cars off the highway and into town for businesses!</li> </ul>
71	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Scot from Index	<ul> <li>No too many roundabouts, people won't learn them well.</li> <li>Bypass on the south side of the river makes more sense.</li> <li>Freight Mobility is an issue on the US 2</li> </ul>
68	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Mike and family	<ul> <li>They are lifers here in town. Concerns include:</li> <li>Traffic, including traffic roundabout improvements needed.</li> <li>Make sure developers pay their fair share.</li> <li>Four lanes and more state and national funding for the US 2 corridor.</li> </ul>
64	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Liz and family	<ul> <li>Traffic is a problem.</li> <li>We need walking and biking trails linking community together better.</li> <li>We need rest stops for bicyclists and travelers alike along the highway.</li> <li>Walking between Gold Bar and the City of Sultan needs to be improved.</li> </ul>

	LAND USE / HOUSING						
ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	Comment			
15	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Darci and Steve	Lives in Sultan since 1976 concerned about new growth in the old town of Sultan. Fourplexes is a lot of density to live next to.			
21	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Tom and Roberta Opdenweger	Their son and daughter come up to visit from South Seattle each weekend in the summer. They would like to see condo housing options.			

	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT						
ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	Comment			
3	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	Many folks were wondering when we may see grocery options. We did hear that the Red Apple Store had a great butcher and meat department!			
5	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	We heard from one young couplemy taxes have gone up. What going on to make our takes go up so much? They also were hit with increases in their HOA fees for the second consecutive year so people were concerned about taxes and where they go. A graphic will be educational.			
6	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	A wide variety of stores were suggested. Grocieres seemded to be top of mind for many. Followed by Daycare. Many people expressed ideas about a place to sit down and do work if the road was blocked? Where is that third place comes to mind perhaps a mainstreet businesse concept? Discussion about opportunites for small businesses followed.			
7	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	Families also mentioned the search for daycare. At least one used Day Care in Monroe. Another family was waiting to hear back in Monroe. They were commuting to Everett Naval Base. Another family mentioned Woodinville since they work in Redmond. All were interested in local day care options today.			
9	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	Water rates are among the other concerns that people in the community expressed. Residents complained that water is expensive.			



10	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	6/24/2023	N/A	Many folks would love to have different kinds of restaurants so that they could have many food choices.
11	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	N/A	Residents of the Sultan, currently seeking a cozy café where they can comfortably work, meet people, and engage in both social and academic activities. Specifically interested in a local coffee shop that provides a welcoming environment for patrons to sit down and enjoy their beverages. A place that encourages interaction and community engagement is highly preferred over a drive-through coffee shop.
15	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Darci and Steve	They would like to see a better grocery store but also don't want to lose the Red Apple. On their daily commutes they hit PCC foods and they like Trader Joes. There is a need for more stores in town.
16	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Dave Coesens	Economic development activities are needed
19	netraction - Farmers M	7/1/2023	Scott Rossiter	Many resildents are saying that they need more places (resaturants) to eat from and more groceries.
26	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Karolyn	More food options (Restaurants) in Sultan are needed
29	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Blake	More coffe shops and smaller businesses are needed
31	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Summer Huddy	More businesses: grocery stores, restaurants, cafes, etc. are demanded in Sultan.
32	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Brad	Would love to see more restaurants
34	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Christa	Even though there is a need for growth and development in the city, these developments should not kick people out. Putting much effort and investing in smaller businesses would be a great initiative in the City of Sultan
37	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Benido- City of Bothell	Sultan should not be only a city to drive through, but also a city to stop by and relax and hang out in the downtown and grab a coffee.
39	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Carolyne Meeks	More businesses and Hwy 2 expansion are needed.
42	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Sarah	I would love to know whether the roundabout projects will destroy the old businesses they are used to.
45	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Roberto	Peace and quiet. Water prices are too high. We need more restaurants and food varieties
51	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Joe and his family and extended family	Would like to see a hardware stores. Nail Salon, Sit Down Coffee shop. Bike accessible
52	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Rachel and her Husband and family	Would like to see more business opportunities. They like Trader Joes
53	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Jackie and significant other and family	Shops including nail salon, Knitting/Quilting shop, Ace Hardware, Wendy's Drive Inn
54	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	David	We need a coffee shop with good vibes that we can hang out in on the weekends with friends. We need a performing arts center and Tesla charger on the Hwy.
56	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2024	Tara and family	Tara had mentioned that we should be looking at the movie industry opportunities given our quirkiness and uniquely beautiful mountain and rivers -studios will bring in revenue A consignment store would be good. Places to get chocolate/deserts/ice cream would be good
57	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Ketiki and large family	A grocery store, retail stores, and cultural food is needed; Day care too since we work out of town.
58	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Adam	The Sultan Adage: "All good business come to Sultan to die." Starbucks Trends
59	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Peggy and Herb and Family	Business ideas include A second auto parts store, Costco, REI, Mountain Store; Coffee where you can relax; Medical clinics have been reduced so we need a bigger clinic; Urgent Care would be good.
61	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Dion, Marie, and family	<ul> <li>Future Business</li> <li>Trader Joes</li> <li>Trader Joes</li> <li>Fitness (larger)</li> <li>Restaurant Opportunities</li> <li>We need a "We Works" opportunity See: https://www.wework.com/</li> <li>Our planning needs to be all about the kids.</li> <li>Would support a swimming pool even if its by membership they currently go outside of Sultan to swim.</li> </ul>



64	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2024	Liz and family	<ul> <li>We need to improve our storefronts in Sultan.</li> <li>We need something like the Alpine in Startup here in Sultan.</li> </ul>
65	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Monica and family, including two kids	We need the following businesses =: Pizza, Ice Cream, Coffee (sit down). Arcade
66	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Jason and family	<ul> <li>Just moved into a new Lennar Home. They are a big karate family</li> <li>We need more businesses related to DOJOs. They are all black belts in Brazilian Jujitsu</li> <li>Community College links would be great can they work with the library locally?</li> <li>Coffee shops for group meetings and business meetings.</li> <li>Art shop</li> <li>Cat/pet shop</li> </ul>
67	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Majeti and family	<ul> <li>Business needs including Indian food please or cultural appropriate options</li> <li>They love Chik Filet.</li> <li>Businesses catering to the river users should be included.</li> </ul>
69	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Natalie and family	Businesses needed include the following: Invara, Pharmacies, Petco/women stores and cute boutiques, we need a hardware store
72	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Wayne Armstrong and his wife	<ul><li>More retail</li><li>Grocery</li></ul>
77	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Finn (8th grader) going into 9th grade.	<ul> <li>More shops for kids</li> <li>Create entertainment for kids including:</li> <li>Escape rooms</li> <li>Arcade room with Pizza or just an arcade</li> <li>Virtual reality room</li> <li>Shopping /skateboard stuff</li> </ul>
80	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Brook and family	<ul> <li>Need more retail. They like Wall-Mart since they have business needs covered such as paper.</li> <li>Carl Junior's was recommended.</li> <li>Arby's was recommended</li> </ul>
82	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Allison Red Pepper	<ul> <li>We are set to open this month downtown. We will be serving beer and wine in our dining area.</li> <li>We are trying to create a different alternative for the community. Ice cream and cheesecake will be on the menus.</li> <li>The building interior will be in Steam punk/diesel punk designs. We are going the extra mile on that.</li> <li>We are affiliated with the NW art center of Duvall. That is a link for the future.</li> <li>See Red Pepper Pizza online at: http://redpepperpizzeria.com/</li> </ul>
85	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Will	More grocery stores are needed
86	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Kelsy	We need more grocery stores
91	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	School Board Candidate Perillo	We need better grocery options. Excited about the possibility of Safeway or another more robust grocery store
92	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Young mom with two sons live on 132nd Street	Would love to see more restaurants and gathering places downtown. Kids go to school in Monroe
				MISCELLANEOUS
ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	Comment
12	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	N/A	The residents of Sultan are expressing their concerns regarding the current state of schooling in our town. With a growing population and an influx of new residents, there is a significant increase in the number of children in need of quality education. However, the existing facilities are struggling to accommodate the growing demand, leading to limited space for students. In light of this situation, it is crucial that we prioritize the addition of a new elementary school in the Sultan Basin Road area. This would not only address the immediate need for more educational space but also ensure that our children receive the best possible education in a suitable environment.
17	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Donna	We have very nice people here they are our greatest asset.
18	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Sebastian and his wife	
19	Staff Interactions- Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Scott Rossiter	More places to store our materials



#### Appendix A: Public Comment Summary

20	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Bonnie Arballo	She has lived on Dier Street for the past two years with her family. There are party houses in her neighborhood full of drug users.
23	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/1/2023	Keith Weir (IBEW46)	Interest in concepts around district energy.
27	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Angela	Sultan does not have enough schools to accommodate all the children who attend school because the population is growing.
28	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023	Jonny	More activities are needed to engage the youth and give them something to do and spend their weekend busy.
33	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Perry Cole	With the population increase in the City of Sultan, road improvement is required on the U.S. 2 route. The city is attracting many home buyers who are high income and would like to put their children in Charter school, which can add an extra dollar to the city's income. a one percent increase in population should also entail that there is a one percent increase in the city's development and economic growth despite holding being underrepresented constant.
35	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Ashen Randall	Cultural artifacts, e.g., old buildings are essential to the community members. Schools should be redeveloped.
41	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Kara- Gold Bar	Addition in schools would be a better development in the city. Childcare is another top concern.
49	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Rod Ouster	Sewer rates are too high and parking problems have not been handled well. Schools are not managed well and council has been too inconsistent.
70	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Rishika and Family	<ul> <li>Schools are important to us.</li> <li>Medical/Pharmacies</li> <li>Fed Ex facility/UPS facility to reduce costs (currently an 8-dollar charge to deliver).</li> <li>Splash Park</li> <li>Why did they choose this place? It was a close-knit community where neighbors look after neighbors.</li> </ul>
74	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Mark Murphy the School District Education Foundation (Think College Scholarships)	<ul> <li>Key Question – we are going to transition from a rural underfunded community – how do we get excellence in our district as we grow? This should be a community question that links to Parks, Transportation, Access to learning, it really is about parents, organizations, facilities, leadership and building the ties that will reinforce community and a culture of excellence in Sultan.</li> <li>Multicultural education</li> <li>Our comprehensive plan to 2044 is at least partially about preparing students to be business owners, value service, seeking answers/be inquisitive education etc, etc /get real experience</li> </ul>
75	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2024	Joe and Stephanie and family	<ul> <li>We want to love the community because it's kid friendly. We want more of that.</li> <li>Think a survey is a good idea. Thank you, City.</li> <li>Think we need to empower the community.</li> <li>Empower groups</li> </ul>
76	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2024	Kirk Lange	<ul> <li>Remember the Paradise California Fire was avoidable we need to take steps now and pay attention to DNR and Climate Change issues if only to be safer with increased hot summers and fire dangers. This is not the Cascades of the past decades.</li> <li>Concerns about schools.</li> <li>Concerns about flooding damage/floodplain management.</li> </ul>
78	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Vincent	<ul> <li>T Mobile issues – we need more choices in the valley.</li> <li>Ben Howard improvements are creating chaos and impacting our community negatively</li> </ul>
81	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/7/2023- 7/9/2023	Ron Johnson (425) 419 7199	<ul> <li>Specific concerns for staff to address. Replacing a pipe.</li> <li>Education is a big issue in Sultan.</li> <li>Water tastes terrible in this town.</li> </ul>
83	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Morgan Khol	We need a new school
87	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/15/2023	Christine Bushy	Keep the environment green and bushy.
94	Staff Interaction - Sultan Shindig	7/8/2023	Jim	65 year-old retiree who has lived near middle school for 3 years. Came from West Seattle and had a career in construction. Concerned about the condition of the middle school building.



				PARKS & RECREATION	
ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	Comment	
95	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	N/A	Mom with 3 kids is so excited about Mountain View Park	
99	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	Karthik	We hope to have activities like basketball included in the new Mountain View Park	
111	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Sidhar	Nice waterfront parks, playgrounds, beach access.	
112	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Starting a community project to re-vamp the skatepark would be great to engage community involvement from the teenage and young adult demographic.	
118	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Parks are important to our family and to our children.	
126	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	The parks are not as clean as they once were. We need people to pick up their trash the beautiful parks. We would participate if gloves are provided in helping to clean up the resources. Can we enlist the Sultan Boys and Girls Club to clean things up.	
133	National Night out	8/1/2023	Lisa Gordon	Accessibility to the river is important we fish for whatever we can.	
134	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We like our ability to walk the parks and get close to nature and the river. Keep Sultan small has its pluses and minuses.	
137	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We love Sultan's Parks and we would work for more parks in the future. As a mom Parks are really important to me.	
138	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We need a splash park in Sultan	
		1		TRANSPORTATION	
ID #	Source	Date	Commenter	Comment	
107	Farmers Market	7/29/2023	Gwendolyn Sara	U.S. 2 traffic is too bad. We need to do something.	
109	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Srivinas Nagupalli	We need good walkable places. Basin Road walkaway is not good	
111	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Sidhar	U.S.2 sucks. We need alternative routes or road connectivity.	
114	Additional Survey Feedback	08/02/2023	N/A	walks to Downtown from Skybridge they attend Tai Kwando	
117	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We would like more roads to get to downtown. We would like four lanes on US 2 through Sultan and thinks the round abouts could help. We are from Sultan.	
119	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Please invest in more roads and in moving traffic through Sultan more quickly.	
120	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We would like to see the following improvements: Roundabout investments; new cross walks across US 2 linking the Dyer Neighborhood; Road Upgrades. Public Works should continue work on stormwater.	
121	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	They would like to see a lighted crossing from their neighborhood to the downtown.	
122	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Very interested in traffic issues and how we solve them.	
123	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Commutes to Downtown Everett Daily. Works for Kaiser Prementa. Traffic issues need to be addressed on US 2	
124	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Elaine	We moved to Sultan 30 years ago. Traffic has subsequently gotten worse over the years. We need four lanes through Sultan. We need safe roads for bicycles, walkers and drivers.	
129	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Traffic concerns are the most important to our family.	
132	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Put the priority into transportation projects.	
138	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We are in favor of round abouts they can work very help these work well in other communities	
139	Additional Survey Feedback	8/18/2023	N/A	Make Hwy 2 a toll road	
140	Additional Survey Feedback	8/18/2023	N/A	Better highway. Too much back up on Hwy 2.	
144	Additional Survey Feedback	8/18/2023	N/A	Traffic is horrible here in Sultan.	
			COMMUN	ITY DESIGN / LAND USE / HOUSING	
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106	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/29/2023	N/A	Would like to see more greenery and more trees in downtown Sultan	
128	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Took a trip around the various streets in the Sutan and noticed housing was going in near the high school. This is a very good thing.	



135	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We are originally from New New Jersey we watched development overwhelm quaint towns			
138	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	through out regions of that state. We hope that does not happen here. We need a central gathering place in the downtown for families and greenery with trees			
141	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	on both sides for shade I wish you didn't remove the trees from Main Street that really gave people (myself) pride			
145	Additional Survey	8/18/2023	N/A	about living in a small town. Overall, Sultan is a nice place to live.			
	Feedback			Stop building more houses. We don't have the capacity to handle the infrastructure.			
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96	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	N/A	One of the significant challenges we face is the lack of grocery store options. To purchase groceries, I am required to travel to Monroe.			
98	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	N/A	There is a pressing need for more kids' activities in Sultan. It's quite challenging to find enough things to keep the little ones entertained in this area.			
99	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	Karthik	We require a 24-hour pharmacy, similar to Rite Aid, in Sultan			
99	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	Karthik	We are in need of more restaurant and food options in our area. It would be wonderful to have a greater variety of cuisines, such as Indian restaurants. Currently, we have to travel to Monroe or other cities whenever we want to go out to eat, which can be quite inconvenient.			
107	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/29/2023	Gwendolyn Sara	Water and sewer costs are too high			
108	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/29/2023	Јоу	I would love to see Trader Joe's in Sultan.			
113	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	8/2/2023	Madeline	Arcade/games/Bowling or something for kids			
120	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Safeway			
121	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	They would love to see stores such as a Fred Myer or Petsmart			
130	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We need businesses such as Sky valley education center Mathnasium/or businesses like Mathnaseum. We need a coffee shop on main street			
132	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	Money Game – we put our money into your school district (economic development).			
133	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Lisa Gordon	We want to see more restaurants opening in this town we would like more food choices.			
142	Additional Survey Feedback	8/18/2023	James Brown	More grocery stores and a pharmacy are needed.			
143	Additional Survey Feedback	8/18/2023	N/A	More grocery stores and resuarants.			
	MISCELLANEOUS						
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97	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	N/A	I have been residing in Sultan for over three years now. I made the decision to move from Everett to Sultan because I wanted to distance myself from the city and immerse myself in			

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99	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/22/2023	Karthik	A year ago, my family and I moved from Kirkland to Sultan. The adjustment has been challenging, especially with two kids. One significant concern is the lack of urgent care facilities in the area. When my baby fell sick last time, we had no choice but to travel all the way to Monroe for medical attention. This situation leaves me constantly worried and feeling unsafe, highlighting the urgent need for proper healthcare facilities in Sultan
103	VOA Lunch	7/27/2023	Jason Theriault	We need music and arts in the downtown area. We need music programs to create an even and change the culture
103	VOA Lunch	7/27/2023	Jason Theriault	We need great local police because they will create a safe community.
104	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/29/2023	N/A	Would like to have school up in Sultan Basin
105	Staff Interaction - Farmers Market	7/29/2023	N/A	I moved from Everett to Sultan. I love living in Sultan ( it's close to steven pass but also close to the city)
110	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Corrine Farnham	We need better schools in Sultan.
115	Additional Survey Feedback	8/2/2023	N/A	Help the kids to graduate and get college money/guidance. Resources for students are poor.



116	National Night Out	8/1/2023	Darnell	Darnell has a long history in the City of Sultan as a volunteer his wife was the Finance Director for the City as well. He noted that they were very interested in the 1980s plan in creating a retail center in the vicinity of the Sultan River. The Planning Board at the time did not anticipate the City would grow to the east.
125	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	This is outstanding thank you for doing this you guys are great. Please report our investments to the Council and Mayor!
127	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	We love Sultan for its small town beauty and friendliness. We moved here 22 years ago. I attended Queen Anne High Schoolworked in Canyon Creek Cabinet Company in Monroe and commuted a few minutes to work. Things are worse now than even a couple of years ago.
131	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	I would like to give back to the kids in our community to do STEM education someplace in town. We need to invest in our schools
136	National Night Out	8/1/2023	N/A	With a new child we are hoping for a child care option that is not in Monroe but here locally. We would like to open a pre school here in Sultan but so far have not found a property for the right amount of money. Our parents are helping us.

