

The background image shows the Tenino City building, a two-story structure with a prominent portico supported by columns. A statue of a young boy in a blue shirt and cap stands on the stone steps leading up to the building. The scene is set against a clear blue sky with some trees visible in the distance.

# Tenino Comprehensive Plan Update

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PLANNING COMMISSION

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City of Tenino  
*Washington*

# Comprehensive Plan Updates

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- Two new elements
  - Economic Development
  - Climate
- Edits to existing elements to meet new state requirements
  - Housing
  - Land Use



# New Elements

## Economic Development

- Listed as a “mandatory element” in RCW 36.70A.070
- Not required since no funding was provided
- Completed to get ahead of State Growth Management Act requirements
- Provides a strong base for future updates, minimizing rewrite needs

## Climate

- New State requirements include:
  - Use best available science to reduce climate impacts and strengthen resiliency
  - Prioritize benefits for overburdened communities
  - Protect natural areas and habitat for species migration
  - Support community resilience across social, economic, and built systems
  - Address hazards: flooding, wildfire, heat, drought, sea level rise, smoke, etc

# Climate

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House Bill 1181 (2023) added a Climate goal to Growth Management Act:

- Requires local jurisdictions to prepare a Climate Element as part of their Comprehensive Plan

## New Climate Element

- Explains what climate change is
- Explores the conditions and trends of climate-related Hazards in Tenino
- Evaluates challenges and opportunities for increasing resilience to climate change
- Sets goals, policies, and objectives, and identifies actions the city can take to increase resilience to climate change





# Edits to Existing Elements

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# Land Use

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Replaced existing sections with new ones to meet new State requirements, including

- Population and Demographics
- Land Capacity Analysis
- Environmental Constraints

Updated goals and policies to comply with new State requirements, including:

- Enhancing quality of life
- Increasing resilience to and avoiding the adverse impacts of climate change
- Prioritizing infill development

Updated Future Land Use map



# Housing

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House Bill 1220 requires housing planning for:

- Extremely low, low, and moderate income bands
- Emergency Shelters, Transitional Housing, Emergency Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing

Changes to Housing Element include:

- Adopted new Housing Action Plan (HAP)
- Updated Future Housing Needs
- Expanded affordability section



# Transportation

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Includes 12 goals for multimodal improvements, including walkability, trail connectivity, and safety

Aligns capital project priorities with concurrency requirements.

# Capital Facilities & Utilities

Updates facility inventories for parks, stormwater, water, and wastewater systems.

Identifies funding sources and capital improvement programming.



**Thank you! Any questions?**

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