

TO: General Government Committee
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DATE: July 9, 2025
SUBJECT: 2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update – Conservation Element

1) Recommended Action:

This is a discussion item about the Conservation Element for the 2025 Comprehensive Plan periodic update.

2) Background:

On a ten-year cycle, the City is required to conduct a Growth Management Act periodic update of its Comprehensive Plan and related development regulations. For the current cycle, the City is required to complete work on the periodic update by December 31, 2025. Work on the periodic update started last fall.

The updated Comprehensive Plan will address diversity, equity, and inclusion throughout the Plan. [2025 Comprehensive Plan Update | City of Tumwater, WA](#) contains links to guidance material and information about the update.

The intent of this briefing is to continue the presentation of the complete draft Conservation Element for discussion by the General Government Committee from the June 11, 2025 meeting.

3) Policy Support:

Comprehensive Plan Goal C-1: Recognize the significant role played by natural features and systems in determining the overall environmental quality and livability of Tumwater.

4) Alternatives:

☐ None.

5) Fiscal Notes:

This is primarily an internally funded annual work program task.

6) Attachments:

- A. Staff Report
- B. Presentation
- C. Conservation Element, Part 1 – Goals, Policies, and Implementation Actions
- D. Conservation Element, Part 2 – Technical Information

- E. Conservation Element, Part 2 – Technical Information – Appendices
- F. Conservation Element, Part 2 – Technical Information – Maps