

# 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update Lands For Public Purposes & Utilities Elements

*Balancing Nature and Community:  
Tumwater's Path to Sustainable Growth*



**General Government Committee May 16, 2025**

# Intent

- Review format of Parts 1 and 2
- Discuss the draft Elements
- Take feedback on goals, policies, and draft implementation actions
- Explain next steps



# Format for Part 1 – Goals, Policies, and Actions



## Chapter 1 – Introduction



## Chapter 2 – GMA & Element Goals



## Chapter 3 – County-Wide Planning Policies



## Chapter 4 – Element Goals and Policies



## Appendix A – Draft Implementation Actions

# Format for Part 2 – Technical – Land for Public Purposes

Chapter 1 – Introduction

Chapter 2 – Capital Facilities Review Analysis

Chapter 3 – Tumwater Managed Capital Facilities & Services

Chapter 4 – Other Publicly Capital Facilities & Services

Appendix A – Foundational Documents

Appendix B – New Capital Facilities Equity Checklist



# Format for Part 2 – Technical – Utilities

Chapter 1 – Introduction

Chapter 2 – Utilities Regulations

Chapter 3 – Natural Gas

Chapter 4 – Electricity

Chapter 5 – Natural Gas and Fuel Pipelines

Chapter 6 - Telecommunication

Appendix A – Foundational Documents

Appendix B – Private Utility Contact Information







# Lands for Public Purposes Element



# Lands for Public Purposes – Managed By Tumwater

- City buildings
- Fire and emergency medical services
- Parks, open space, and recreation facilities
- Police services
- Stormwater
- Transportation
- Water systems and facilities



# Lands for Public Purposes – Other Publicly Managed

- Timberland Regional Library
- School facilities
- Sewage treatment & sanitary sewer
- Solid waste management
- Transit services





# Chapter 3- Tumwater Managed Capital Facilities



Introduction/Overview



Inventory



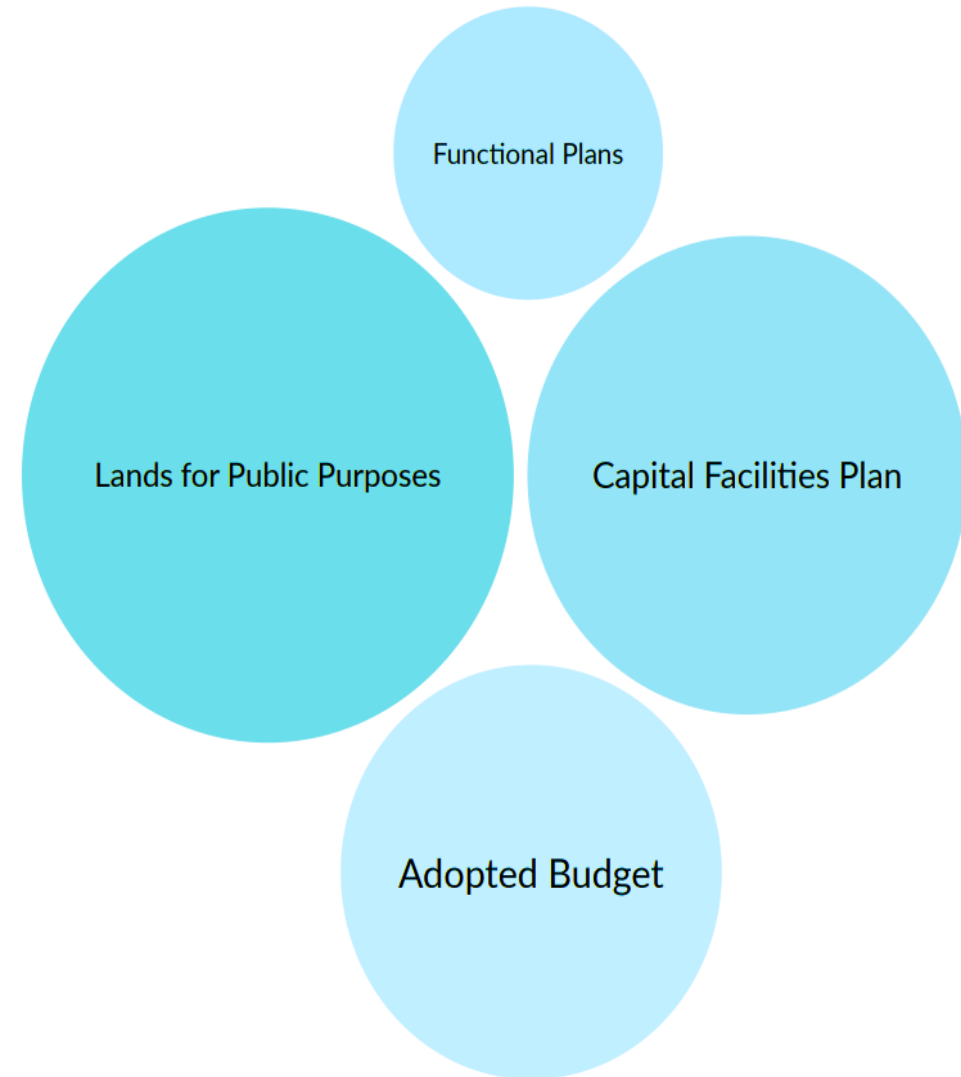
Level of service



Planned Projects, Costs, and Revenues

# Relationships

- **Lands for Public Purposes Element** – 20-year plan
- **Capital Facilities Plan** – 6-year financial forecast
- **Biennial City Budget** – City Council adopted
- **Functional Plans** – Updated as needed but use the above to identify services and meet growth demands



# Connections to other Elements



Utilities/Transportation/Parks and Recreation



Land Use



Conservation



Economic Development



State Regulations

# Goal LPP-1

**Provide necessary and efficient services to Tumwater and its Urban Growth Area**

## *Highlights:*

- Tumwater is projected to increase by 21,969 people
- Address disparities and include equity in public services
- Provide adequate public facilities that are concurrent with impacts of development





# Goal LPP-2

**Support improvements in  
the provision of public  
services**

## *Highlights:*

- Incorporate environmental quality in capital improvement programs, implementation programs, and public facility designs
- Establish, maintain, and strengthen community relationships
- Provide adequate public facilities that are concurrent with impacts of development



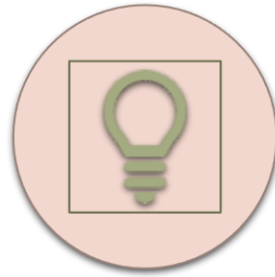


# Utilities Element

# Utilities



NATURAL GAS



ELECTRICITY

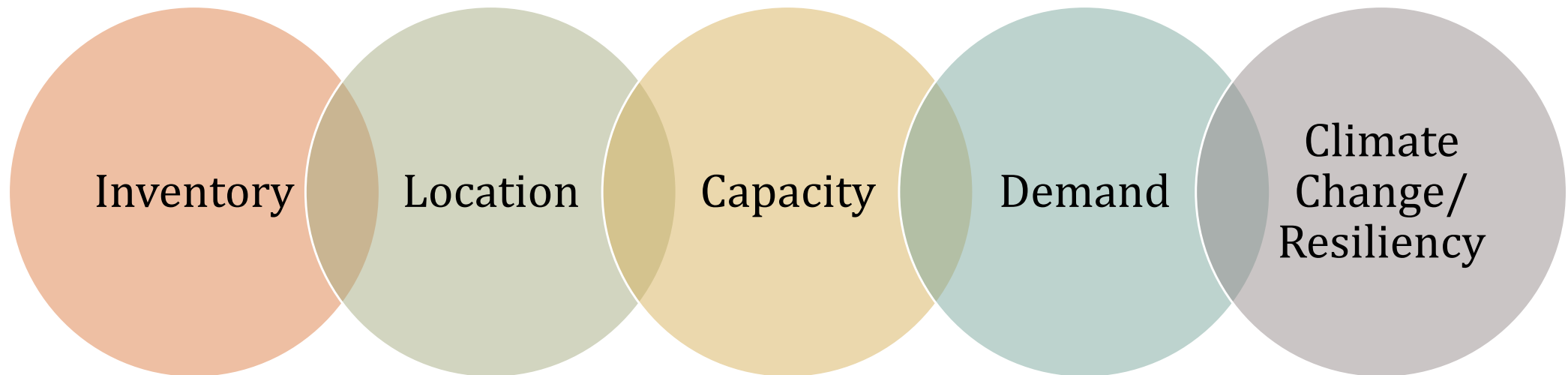


NATURAL GAS AND  
FUEL PIPELINES



TELECOMMUNICATIONS

# Purpose





# Goal U-1

**Increase efficiency when  
planning for and siting  
utilities**

## *Highlights:*

- Communication with utility providers
- Permit timelines
- Develop underground management plan

# Goal U-2

**Increase energy generation from renewable resources to reduce the region's carbon footprint**



## *Highlights:*

- Incentives to support the installation of distributed electrical generation equipment, (e.g., rooftop solar panels).
- Large-scale, multi-jurisdictional renewable energy projects (e.g., large-scale solar arrays).
- Adopt uniform building codes and permitting practices in jurisdictions to make the installation of solar panels, or other distributed generation technologies, easier and faster.

# Goal U-3

**Enhance the region's electricity distribution, monitoring, and storage infrastructure to support adoption of cleaner technologies and practices**

## *Highlights:*

- Explore energy storage innovations
- Electric vehicle charging stations/infrastructure
- Coordinate with the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan to reduce service interruptions



# Goal U-4

**Increase energy efficiency  
and conservation to reduce  
the region's carbon  
footprint**

## *Highlights:*

- Green buildings
- Energy Audit
- Develop incentives





# Goal U-5

**Ensure vital utilities are created, operated, and maintained in a safe manner**

## *Highlights:*

- Review impacts of new infrastructure
- Safety through awareness and regulations

# Next Steps in the Review Process

- Complete final round of stakeholder input and engagement
  - Late Spring 2025
    - Review draft goals, policies, and actions
    - Ensure input and feedback was incorporated
- Comprehensive Plan Adoption Process – Fall 2025 – Winter 2026
- Comprehensive Plan Ordinance Briefing – October 28, 2025



# Submitting Comments or Questions

Written comments or questions are welcome at any time during the periodic update process

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