

TO: Planning Commission
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DATE: August 26, 2025
SUBJECT: 2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update – Climate Element

1) Recommended Action:

This is a discussion item about the new Climate 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.

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 materials and information about the update.

The intent of this work session item is to gather feedback from the Planning Commission on meeting state requirements, public feedback received and incorporated into the draft Climate Element, and the draft implementation action prioritization.

3) Policy Support:

City Council Strategic Priorities and Council Goals 2025 - 2026

- Be a leader in Environmental Health and Sustainability
 - Outreach the community on the benefits of environmentally sustainable practices, community involvement, and highlight local career pathways.
 - Assess climate change vulnerabilities of City infrastructure and resources.
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4) Alternatives:

☐ None.

5) Fiscal Notes:

The City was awarded grant funding from the Washington Department of Commerce in the amount of \$420,000 towards the development of the Climate Element. \$320,000 has been allocated for the development of the Climate Element and an additional \$100,000 of the grant award has been allocated towards creating a bicycle and pedestrian plan in the Transportation Plan which will help meet state requirements related to climate.

6) Attachments:

- A. Staff Report
- B. Presentation
- C. Draft Climate Element Part 1 Goals, Policies, & Implementation Actions
- D. Draft Climate Element Part 2 Technical Information
- E. Register of Comments
- F. Open House Notes