



South Tacoma Neighborhood Plan

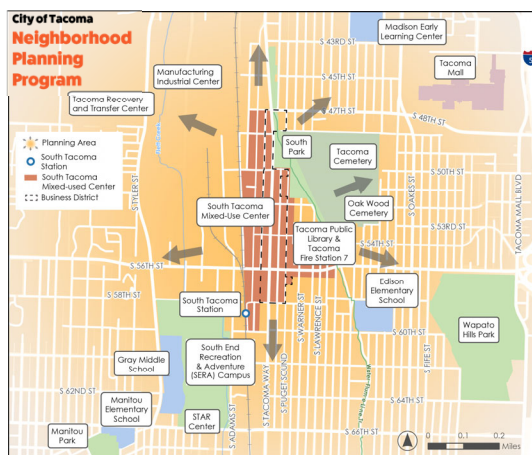
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AGENDA



- **South Tacoma Neighborhood Plan:**
 - Engagement Summary
 - Major Ideas Summary
 - Implementation Plan
- **Program Update & Next Steps**

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ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY



1,300+ "engagements" with community members:

- 4 focused community events and meetings: 200+ participants
- 13+ interview conversations with key collaborators
- 2 online community surveys and 1 interactive map: 200+ replies
- 2 phases of multilingual outreach (in 6 languages): 200+ responses in Vietnamese, Spanish, Korean, Russian, and Ukrainian
- 2 walking tours: 50+ participants
- 4 pop-up events: 190 comments received
- 3 focus groups: 24 participants
- Community voting at 3 community events: 300+ participants
- Community briefings (Neighborhood Council; Business District)
- Steering Group: 30 members

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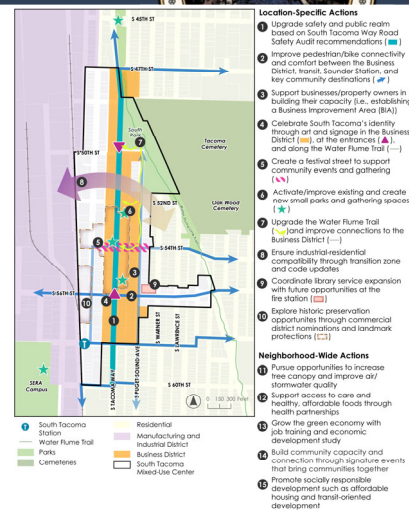
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MAJOR IDEAS SUMMARY



Location-specific actions:

1. Upgrade safety and public realm through South Tacoma Way corridor safety improvements ★
2. Connect pedestrian and bike connectivity between key destinations
3. Support business district capacity-building and study a Business Improvement Area (BIA)
4. Celebrate South Tacoma's identity with signage and art ★
5. Create a festival street on South 54th Street
6. Upgrade Water Flume Trail and improve connections to business district
7. Activate/improve existing small parks and gathering spaces



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MAJOR IDEAS SUMMARY



Location-specific actions (continued):

- 8. Coordinate library service expansion
- 9. Ensure industrial compatibility through code updates
- 10. Explore historic preservation opportunities ★

Neighborhood-wide actions:

- 11. Increase tree canopy and improve air and stormwater quality ★
- 12. Support access to care through health partnerships and healthy food
- 13. Green economy development study
- 14. Build community through family-friendly events
- 15. Promote socially responsible development (e.g. open spaces, affordable housing)

UPCOMING TRANSFORMATIVE ACTIONS:

- **South Tacoma Way improvements**, *Public Works*
- **Tree planting**, *Urban Forestry, Parks Tacoma, Tacoma Tree Foundation, and Trust for Public Land*
- **Community/business district capacity-building**
- **Family-friendly signature events**, *Parks Tacoma*
- **Greening industry** and supporting industrial compatibility

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Program Update & Next Steps



PROGRAM UPDATE

- South Tacoma Community Event
- Transitioning implementation for neighborhood plans
- PAW/APA **Award for Community Involvement!**

PLAN ADOPTION

- Requesting adoption by resolution

THANK YOU: Community members, staff, partners, and leaders who have joined us to contribute to the future of your neighborhood!

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