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North Highline Subarea Plan and Community Needs List

In July 2020, the King County Council expanded the scope of the county's subarea plans to include all topics of interest to the community and a Community Needs List.

Planning and community engagement for the North Highline *Land Use* Subarea Plan, which focused on land use and zoning, had already taken place between July 2019 and March 2020. Now that the King County Council has expanded subarea plans to include all topics, we're dropping "Land Use" from the project name and reaching out again to engage the community for a more inclusive vision of the future.

A subarea plan is...

A 20-year plan that outlines a vision for the community and policies to help achieve that vision.

A community needs list is...

A community-identified list of service, program, and capital improvement projects that King County will complete in support of the community's vision.

Topic areas for the subarea plan and community needs lst may include...

- Land use
- Transportation (roads and transit)
- Parks and natural resources

- Public health
- Housing
- Law enforcement (Sheriff)
- Other

How the community will be involved

Community engagement will be a key part of developing the subarea plan and community needs list. The content of both documents will reflect the community's vision and priorities. King County will make a special effort to engage with traditionally underrepresented groups and residents who do not speak English as their primary language. Because of restrictions on in-person gatherings due to the COVID-19 pandemic, most engagement will take place online or by telephone.

Project timeline

Public engagement begins in August 2020. Final versions of the subarea plan and community needs list will be presented to the King County Council in early 2022. The King County Council will review and refine the documents and is expected to adopt them later that year.

Deciding what's on the community needs list

County staffers will ask community members for their ideas for service, program, and capital improvement projects. They will share a list of these ideas with appropriate King County departments, which will analyze them to determine which are feasible. County staff members will present their analysis to the community and collaborate with community members to prioritize the items on the list.

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Project timeline

August – December 2020

Introduction of the planning scope and process Identify community's policy areas of interest and ideas for community needs list

January – July 2021

County drafts cmmunity needs list and policy proposals based on community ideas County discusses draft with community, revises based on feedback

August – early 2022

Subarea Plan Public Review Draft issued for review Final community review of proposed community needs list Subarea plan and community needs list transmitted to King County Council

2022

King County Council reviews, refines, and adopts subarea plan and community needs list Community provides feedback directly to the council

After adoption

County begins work on community needs list items

For more information or to share your opinion: https://publicinput.com/NorthHighline

Please share this information with your neighbors and encourage them to get involved.

Questions?