Application Deadline Extension

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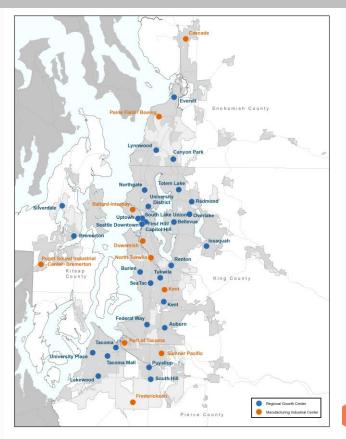


Regional Centers Framework

Key Element of VISION 2050

- Concentrated growth
- Priority for transportation and economic development funding
- Subarea planning expectations
- Established application windows for new centers

Regional growth centers are locations of more compact, pedestrian-oriented development with a mix of housing, jobs, retail, services, and other destinations. (Regional Centers Framework, 2018)





Application Process for New Centers

PSRC consults with jurisdiction on application requirements



Jurisdiction submits application (including a subarea plan) for review



PSRC reviews application materials against eligibility & designation criteria before board review

Eligibility & Designation Criteria:

- Local and countywide commitment
- Subarea planning
- Jurisdiction & location
- Existing conditions
- Activity levels
- Size
- Transit
- Market potential
- Role



Greater Downtown Kirkland Regional Growth Center Application

December 30, 2019: Application submitted

January 2020: PSRC staff reviewed for completeness

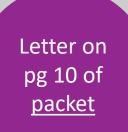
- Meets many of the criteria for a new regional growth center
- Does not include an adopted center plan that meets certification requirements

October 2020: GMPB directed PSRC to extend consideration through June 2022

Adopted plans for Moss Bay Neighborhood and NE 85th Street Station



Greater Downtown Kirkland Anticipated Planning Work



As described in their June 2022 letter, Kirkland plans to:

- Updates to the Comprehensive Plan
- Market analysis
- Submit an amended application once work is complete

Comprehensive Plan updates are scheduled to be completed in December 2022



Staff Recommended Action

Move to direct PSRC to extend consideration of the Kirkland center designation application through February 2023.



