

Recommend Conditional Certification of Comprehensive Plans

Executive Board | June 26, 2025



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Overview



Today:

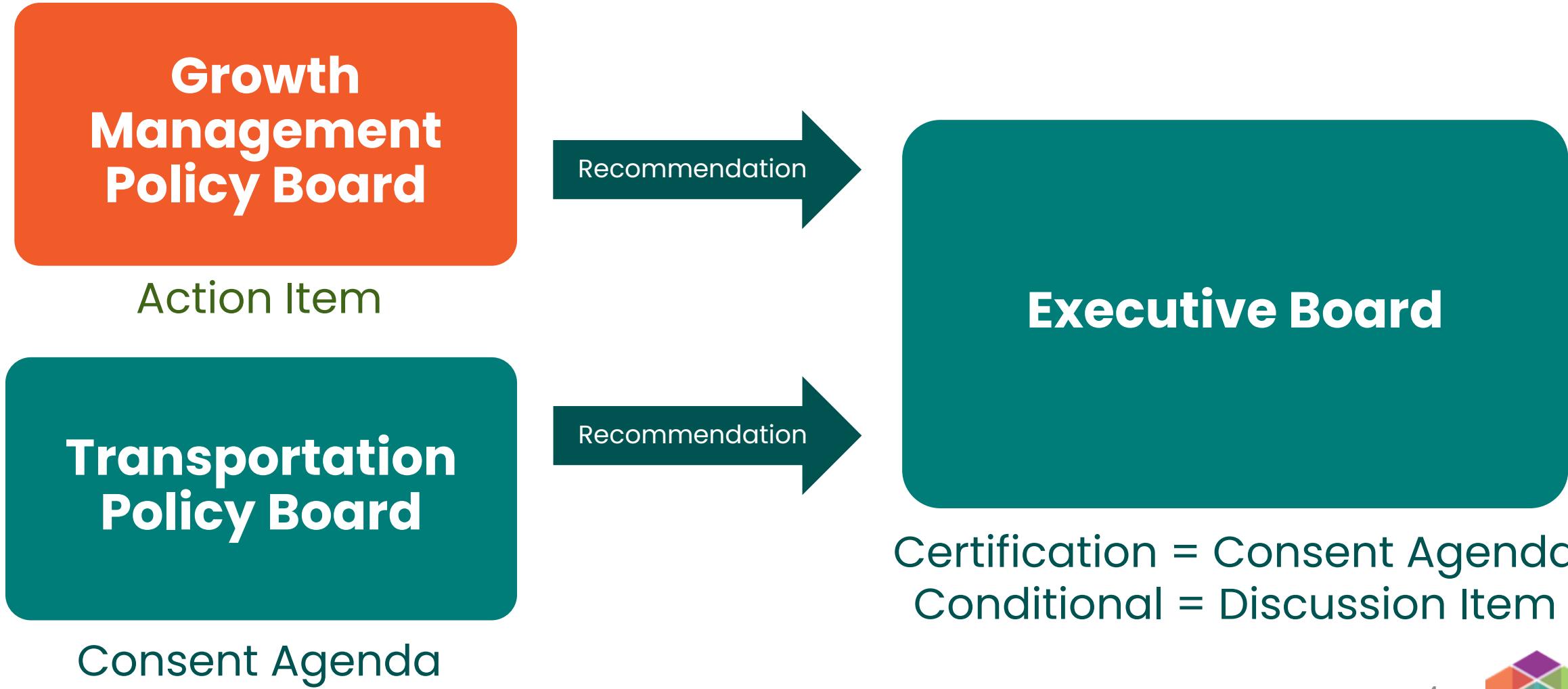
- Plan review update
- Conditional certification overview
- Board action on conditional certification of Lake Forest Park and Renton plans



Why is PSRC's plan review important?

- **Advances regional policy goals** set forth in VISION 2050
- Helps **coordinate individual plans** to work collectively
- Encourages **best practices** in local planning
- **Required by state law** (CPPs, comp plans, Sound Transit plan) or **regional policy** (regional centers)
- Comprehensive plan certification is required to be eligible for PSRC's federal **transportation funding**

Board Process for Certification



Certification Timeline

Plans Due
December 31, 2024



Certification Process

**September
2025**

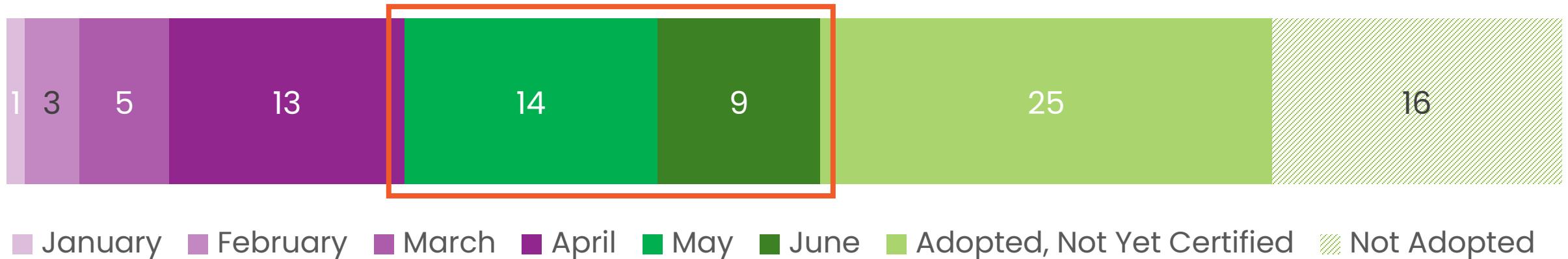
**PSRC Fall
Transportation
Funding Cycle**

Plans must be submitted by June to be certified by September 2025



Certification Status Update

2024 Comprehensive Plan Certifications



- As of this meeting, board review of 45 comprehensive plans
- Prioritizing review for jurisdictions planning to apply for fall funding competitions
- About 10 jurisdictions projected to adopt after cut-off for September certifications
- Following up with jurisdictions regarding housing requirements



Conditional Certification Approach



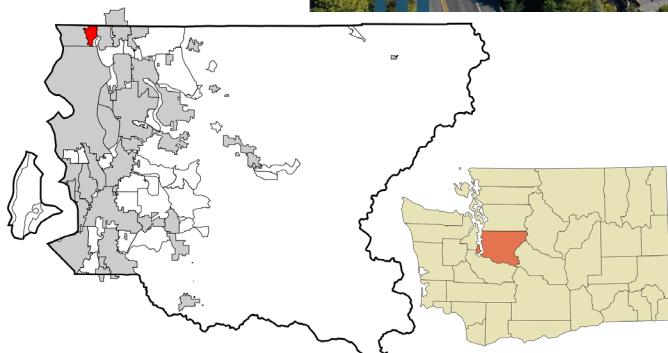
- Plan meets most, but not all, certification criteria
- Plan would meet criteria through limited amendment
- Agreement to resolve issues within a defined time frame
- Jurisdictions with conditions remain eligible for funding
- Provides for flexibility in process and incentive for full compliance





Plan Certifications

City of Lake Forest Park Comprehensive Plan



Population: 13,980

Regional Geography: HCT Communities

Plan Highlight: Supports mixed-use, walkable development in the town center and Southern Gateway subareas

Implement the 2024 Climate Action Plan, incorporates climate change throughout the plan

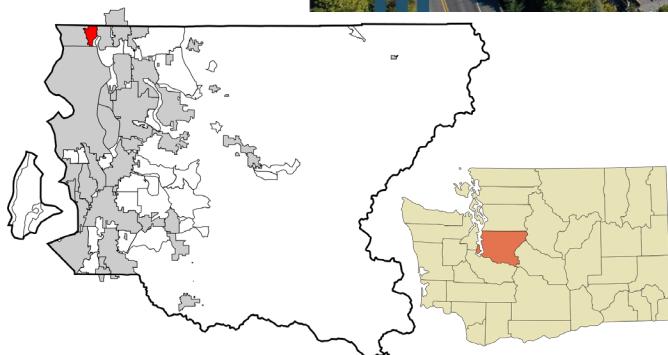
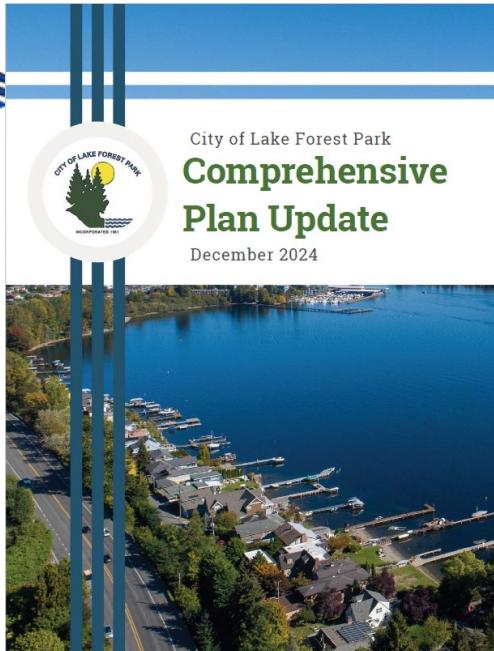
Work with transit agencies and other jurisdictions on transit service

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate requirements, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Housing:** document capacity for emergency housing



City of Lake Forest Park Certification Conditions



At Issue: Transportation element requirements

Update element to include:

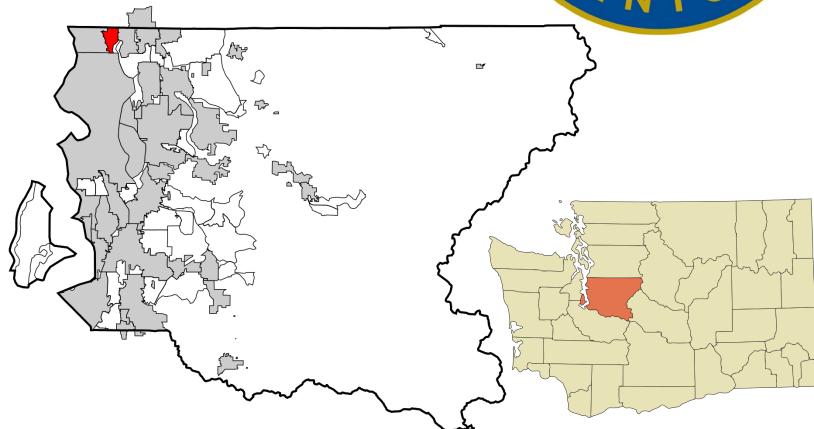
- Mapped inventories
- Updated travel forecasting based on the city's adopted growth targets
- Complete long-range multimodal project list to meet system needs
- A multiyear financing plan

Timeline

- Work plan resolution due September 30, 2025
- Amendments due December 31, 2025



City of Renton Comprehensive Plan



Population: 108,800

Regional Geography: Core Cities

Plan Highlight: Five-year business plan to implement the comprehensive plan

Focus on growth in the regional growth center and other areas served by transit

Climate and Resilience element to support reducing emissions, partner to empower communities to implement climate resilience

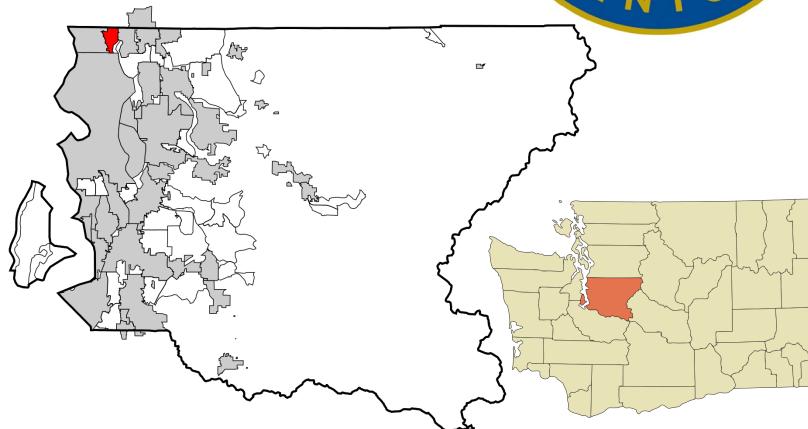
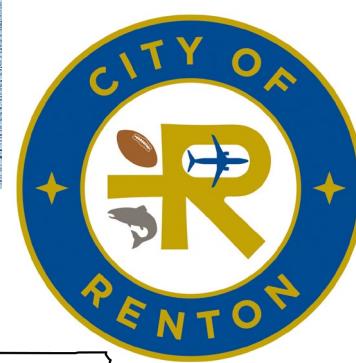
Anti-displacement strategies like housing repair assistance, rental registration, and manufactured home zoning

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- **Centers:** Review growth target for regional growth center, adopt mode split goals



City of Renton Certification Conditions



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Certification Finding

Plan Review



Found the plans to be substantially consistent with the transportation-related components of VISION 2050 and GMA, provided amendments are incorporated to address conditions:

- Regional Collaboration
- Regional Growth Strategy
- Environment
- Climate Change
- Housing
- Economy
- Transportation
- Public Services



GMPB & TPB Recommendations

Conditionally certify that the transportation-related provisions of the Lake Forest Park and Renton comprehensive plans conform to the Growth Management Act and are substantially consistent with multicounty planning policies and the Regional Transportation Plan, provided that additional amendments are incorporated into the comprehensive plan





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Thank You!

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