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**HOUSING**

Communities with lower TOD orientation have a physical forms and activity level that do not strongly support a dense, walkable and transit-supportive neighborhood. Weaker real estate market strength suggests there is not high pressure for new development in the near- to mid-term.

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**IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH**

**ENHANCE COMMUNITY**

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**KEY STRATEGIES**

- Station area planning, focus on long-range vision and transitional uses
- Long-range capital facilities plan with passed infrastructure and public realm investments
- Community needs assessment and targeted investments
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