

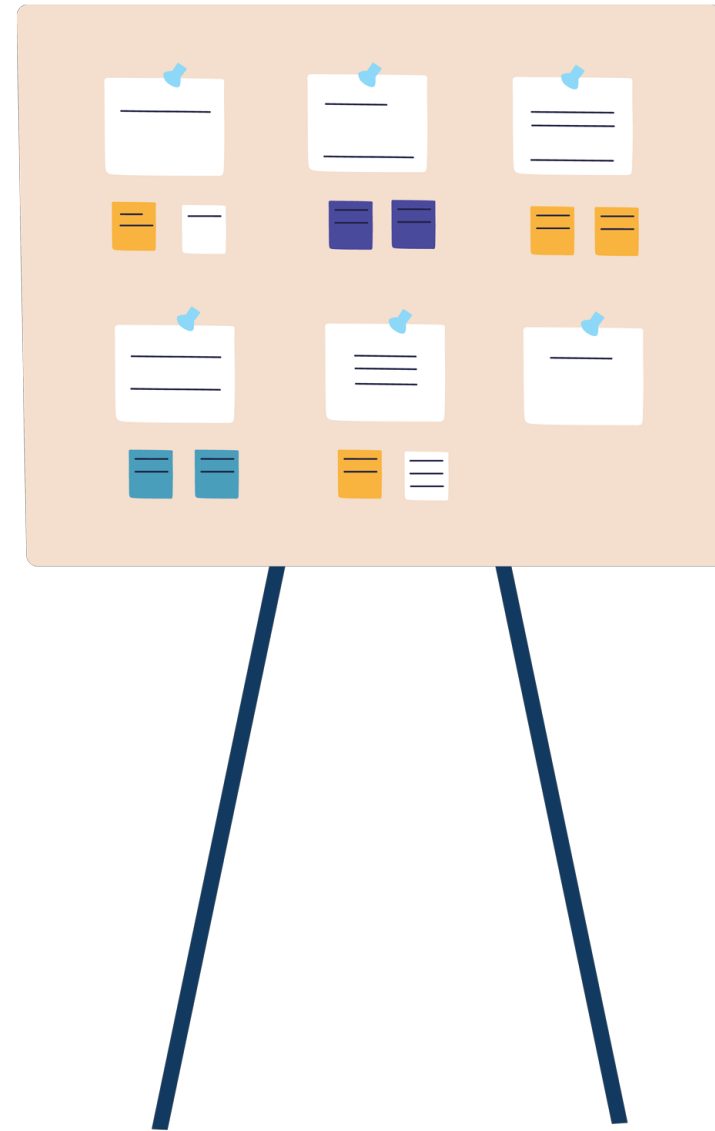
**BELLEVUE**  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

**2044**



# Agenda

1. Comprehensive Plan Background
2. Growth Alternatives Overview
3. Timeline & Next Steps



# What is a Comprehensive Plan?

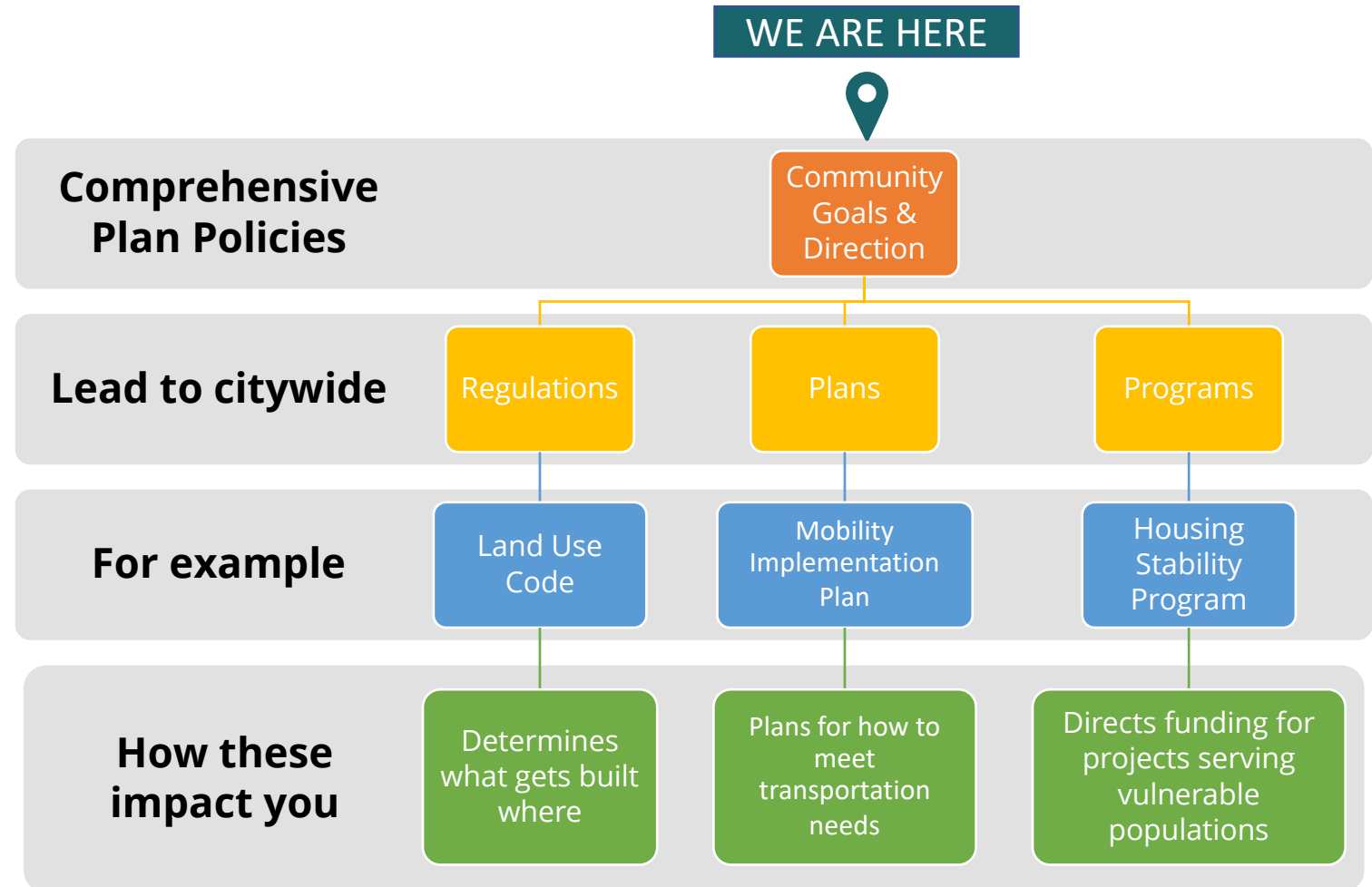


**Building A Livable City for All**

- GMA requirement
- Vision for how the community grows
- 20 year plan (2024-2044)
- Includes Vision and Elements or chapters
- Sets policy that guides city actions and decisions
- Guides capital investments

# Comprehensive Plan Update Overview

- This update is in accordance with the requirements of the state Growth Management Act (GMA).
- New growth by 2044 includes:
  - Centers: Downtown, Bel-Red, Wilburton & East Main, Crossroads, Factoria and Eastgate
  - 35,000 housing units
  - 70,000 jobs



# Why do we plan?

- Under the **Growth Management Act (GMA)** fast growing cities like Bellevue must plan for sustainable growth.
- GMA has several goals
  - Reduce sprawl
  - Protect natural areas
  - Encourage efficient transportation system
  - Plan for housing choice and housing affordability
  - Engage the community in planning



# Background: Plan Context

## **Vision 2050 & MPPs**

- Adopted in 2021
- Framework for regional planning
- Plan for different types of communities

## **Countywide Planning Policies**

- Adopted in 2021
- Identify growth centers
- Set growth targets

## **Local Comprehensive Plan**

- Incorporate regional goals, policies & targets
- Plan in a local context



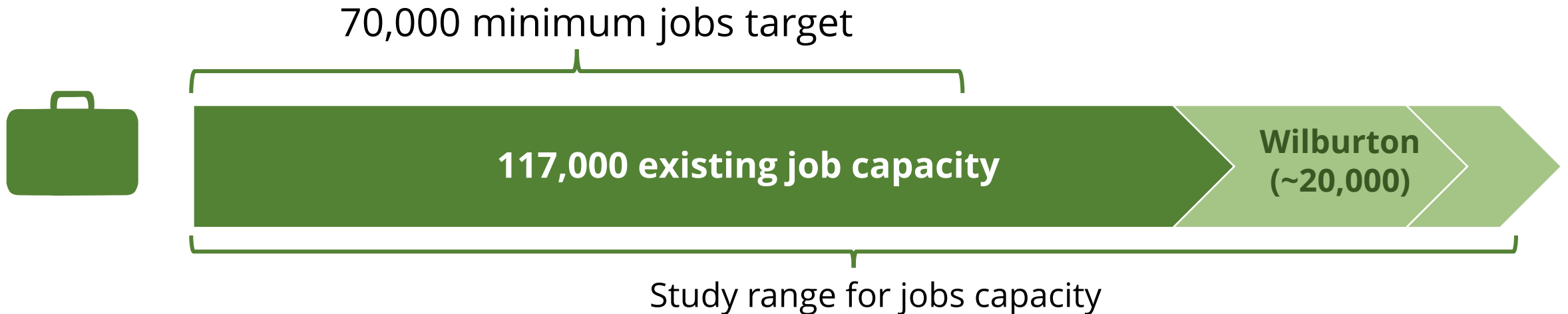
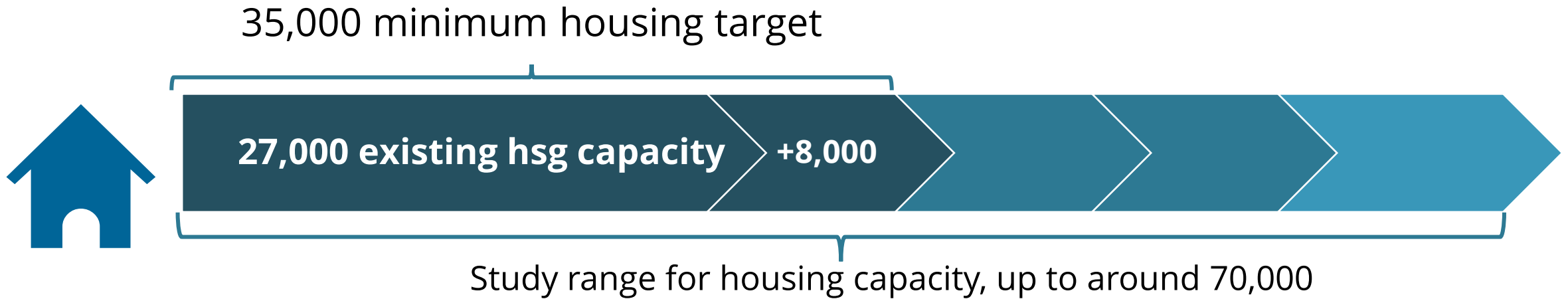


# FOCUS OF UPDATE

- **Plan for growth.** Update Future Land Use Map
- **Expand housing options** and access to affordable housing
- **Create vibrant places** at a variety of scales and locations
- **Incorporate equity**, consider displacement & support opportunity.
- **Emphasize environmental sustainability** and resilience
- **Set the stage** for future projects and rezones

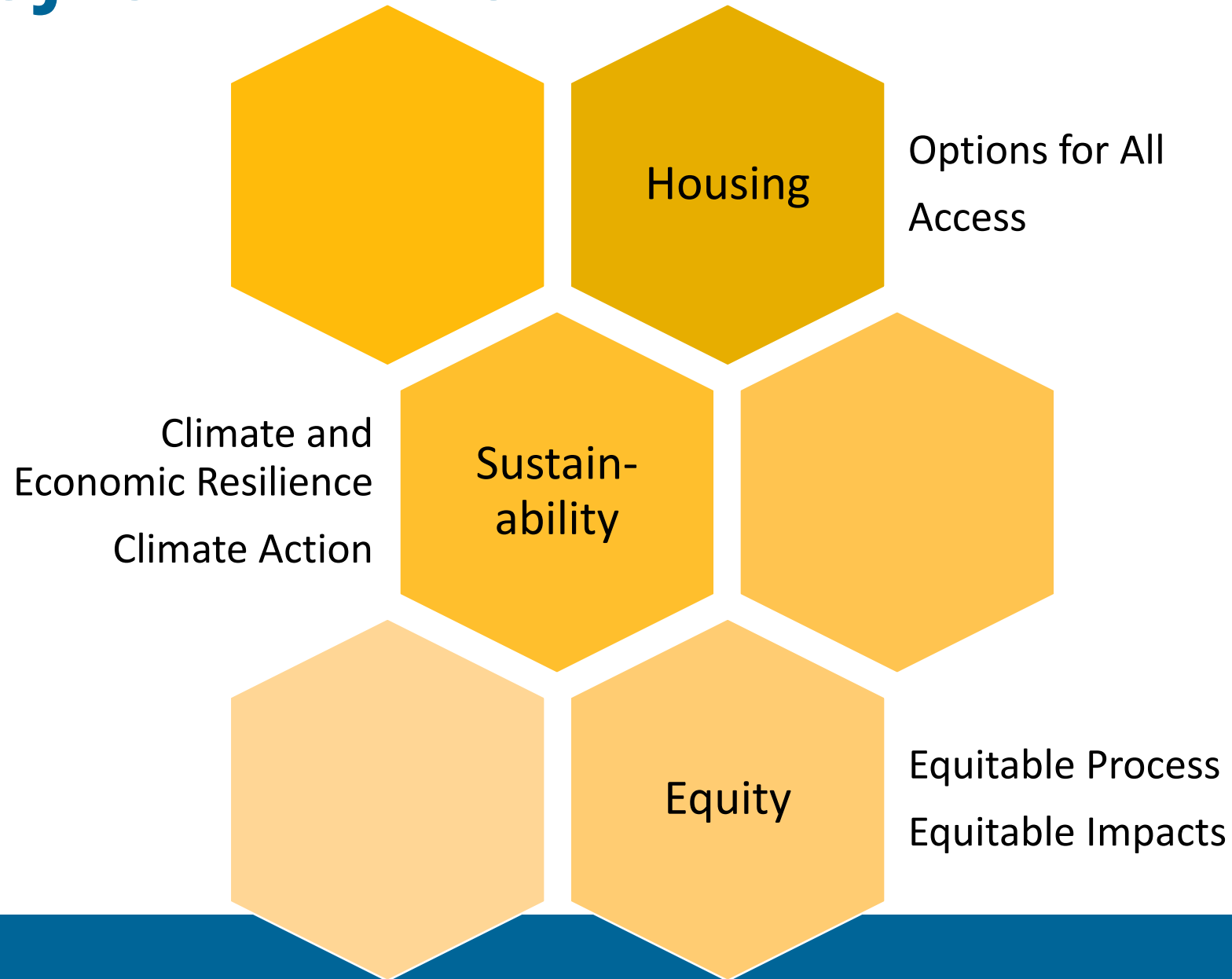


# GROWTH TARGETS





# KEY PROJECT THEMES



# Bellevue plans for people. People have a variety of needs

- **Where** do we plan for growth?
- **What** type of housing, jobs and amenities do people need?
- **How** do people gather and access what they need?

Key project considerations:  
**Housing. Sustainability. Equity.**

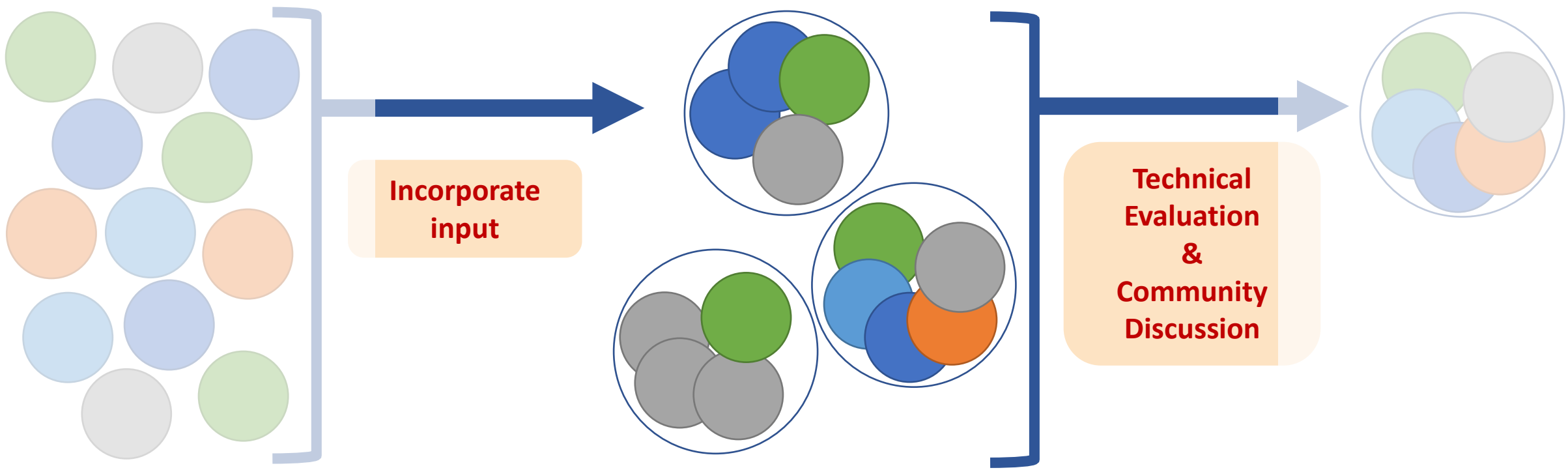


# How Your Input Will Be Used

Explore Growth Concepts

Define Growth Alternatives

Recommend Growth Strategy



# DRAFT GROWTH ALTERNATIVES

|          |   |                                    |   |
|----------|---|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>0</b> | <b>Status Quo</b>                       | <b>30k housing units</b>           | Growth mostly in<br>Downtown & BelRed         |
| <b>1</b> | <b>Provide Options for<br/>Families</b> | <b>45k – 50k<br/>housing units</b> | Add in Mixed Use Centers                      |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Access for More<br/>Residents</b>    | <b>55k – 60k<br/>housing units</b> | Add in areas with access to<br>transit & jobs |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Options Throughout<br/>the City</b>  | <b>65k – 70k<br/>housing units</b> | Add in areas near<br>neighborhood centers     |

# ENGAGEMENT OVERVIEW

**3,326** respondents to Vision Questionnaire

**6** events with **243** unique participants

**595** contributors to Engaging Bellevue

**11** Presentations to Community Groups

**15** tabling events at key community locations and neighborhood gatherings

**567** respondents to Missing Middle Housing Questionnaire



# WHAT WE'VE HEARD: PLACEMAKING

- Strong interest in creating more areas focused on activity, arts & entertainment.
- Strong interest in improving existing neighborhood centers and creating new small-scale local business/retail centers in neighborhoods.

**"I love the entertainment and inclusive environment of Bellevue. I hope Bellevue can continue with the effort of creating an inclusive space for all residents."**



# WHAT WE'VE HEARD: MOBILITY

- People are interested in alternative modes but want more infrastructure and more transit options.
- Focus on connection to destinations – Downtown, shopping/retail centers
- Traffic is a big concern

**"I'm very excited for Link Light Rail to come to the eastside. I do still wish we had better mass transit, more bike lanes."**





# WHAT WE'VE HEARD: HOUSING

- Housing affordability is a top concern.
- Strong support for more housing options – missing middle housing.
- Importance of workforce housing.

**“I'd really appreciate mixed middle housing zones in downtown Bellevue so that families from diverse socio-economic backgrounds can afford to live and own homes here...”**

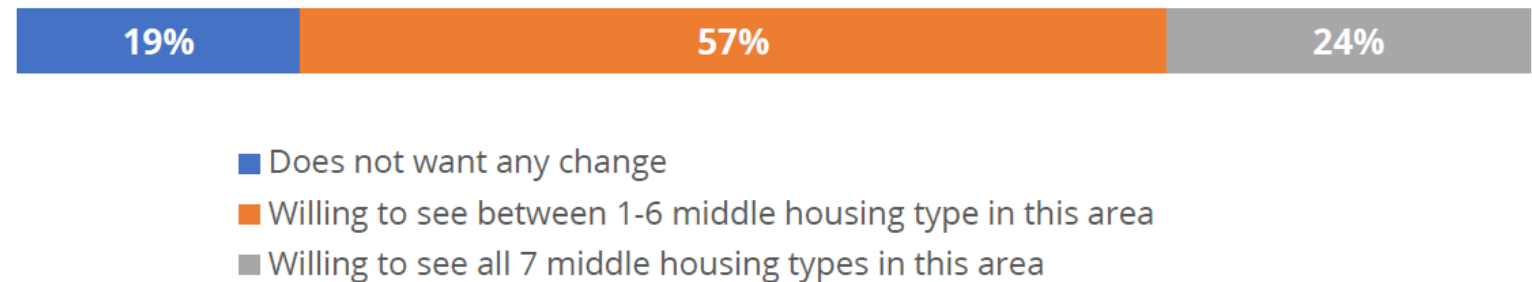


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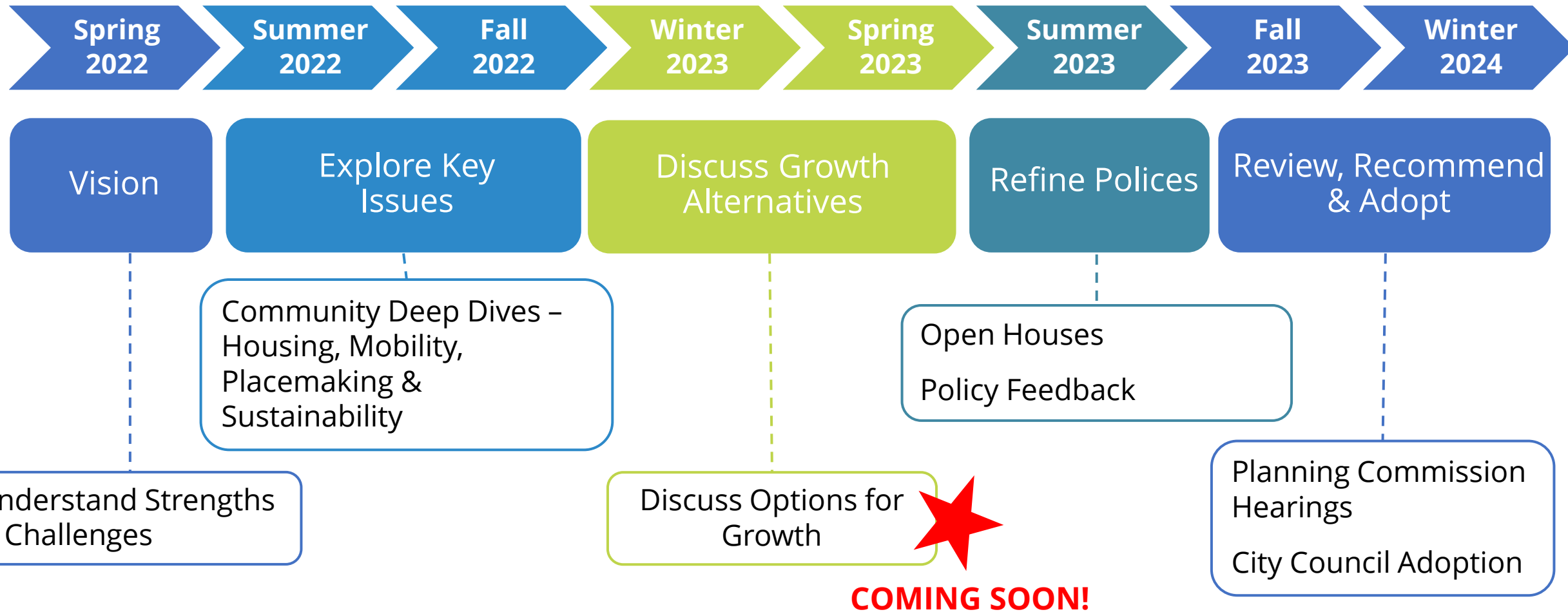
- Missing Middle Housing Questionnaire
    - 567 individuals responded to the questionnaire
    - 90% of respondents live in Bellevue
    - 10% of respondents work in Bellevue, but live elsewhere
    - 92% interested in at least one type of missing middle housing in at least one area of the city.
1. DADUs
  2. Duplexes
  3. Triplexes
  4. Cottage Homes
  5. Townhomes
  6. Courtyard Apartments
  7. Small Apartment Bldgs

**Most support for duplexes, cottage homes & townhomes**

Openness to Missing Middle Housing in Areas With Access to Good Transit & Jobs



# PLANNING TIMELINE



# HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Attend an event

Invite Planning Team to present

Sign up for updates



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