

Circulation Committee

1st Meeting, June 30, 2005

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Circulation

- Orientation
- > Issues & Opportunities
- Prioritization



Issues & Opportunities

Orientation

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Orientation Topics

- Your Vision
- Balanced Mobility
- > Timing
- Role of Tourism/Visitors



Your Vision





Use of Eartic Aquation building donated by Tota Haggar





Islanders Envision Tomorrow

As Bainbridge Island grows and changes...

Winslow Tomorrow will provide guidance on where, what & how to build to sustain a vital Downtown, retain Winslow as a community center & continue the legacy of protecting, enhancing & creating enduring places to live, work, play and learn.

A growing downtown evolves to a complete community; accessible, affordable, sociable, beautiful, diverse and sustainable.

- > Nature, culture & history inform design of a "Garden City".
- > Pathways & water flow to the shoreline.
- > Terraces of spaces, gardens & art step toward harbor.
- > Diverse people live within a 5 minute walk of needed services.
- > An active street with public & retail uses on the ground floor.
- > Walls, doors & windows open to the street.
- > Terraces of green buildings capture water views, & sun.
- > Awnings & trees shelter.
- ➤ Efficient land use preserves diversity, promotes affordability & strengthens commerce.
- > Transportation choices are available.
- > The edge between pedestrians & cars is blurred.
- Pedestrian "blocks" are defined with crosswalks, art, landscape & distinctive materials.
- Preserve historic structures & connection to past.

Winslow is a pedestrian place – The "Heart" of Island culture, commerce and community: Winslow Way is the "Centerpiece."

- Places to live, work, learn & play.
- > Taller buildings with pedestrian scaled details.
- > A variety of outdoor places.
- Winslow way is a "Civic Plaza", a "Mixed Use Street" & a "City Garden".
- > Art & Gardens are prominent.
- > Winslow is connected to the Waterfront by:
 - Activity
 - Circulation
 - Water courses
 - Expressive details
 - View corridors from streets buildings and parks
- Green spaces anchor each end of the east/west & north/south axis.

Connectivity and access for all – safe alternatives to the car exist for pedestrians, cyclists, the less-able, and transit riders.

- Pathways to & along the Harbor & the Ravine.
- Better Public Access to the Water.
- > Water trails to Winslow Bike travel safely to & through Winslow.
- Pedestrian crossings are celebrated with art, lights, landscape, distinctive pavement and small places.
- Crossings occur at 150'intervals.
- > Traffic "calmed", vehicles welcomed.
- A street that is used different ways at different times.
- > Over time, reduce the predominance of vehicles.
- Organic grid of eclectic lanes, alleys streets & paths offer discovery & exploration.
- > Connect neighborhoods & town to water and green spaces.
- ➤ 600'street grid & 150'pedestrian grid in the Core.
- Layer the built & natural systems.
- Residents in taller buildings see the street & the water.
- Build taller & preserve alleys, green space, trees, & view corridors.
- Connect neighborhoods to each other, to Eagle Harbor, to the Civic Center & to Transit Hubs.

Parking is plentiful, accessible, and supportive of all other principles.

- > Parking is integrated into new buildings with retail, offices and residences
- Park on new alleys and streets.
- Build flexible parking. Streets make pedestrian a priority.
- Parking is dispersed and convenient, provided on and off-street in structures, underground and in surface lots.
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- Parking comes in many varieties.
- Increase the supply and reduce the requirements.
- > Adopt a "park once" approach.
- > Fill surface parking lots with mixed use buildings & underground parking.
- Build places to reduce auto-dependency.
- > Terraced gardens & green roofs on structures.
- Landscape surface parking lots.
- Street cross sections are not standard or typical.

A variety of green & gathering places connect, protect, define & bind.

- Expand & improve park at crossing of Winslow Way & Madison.
- Linked Greenways surround the town.
- Principle retail streets & lanes are anchored with greens.
- The ravine is preserved.
- Waterfront Park is inspiring & welcoming.
- Existing parks are enhanced.
- Green space & pocket parks are plentiful.
- Green spaces & gardens for people, plants fish & wildlife.
- Diverse gardens express culture, history & ecology.
- Winslow Way as a public plaza / civic.
- > Design details expressing gardens & art.
- Enclosed by buildings as vertical gardens.
- Emerald necklace: natural areas, gardens, parks, green streets & pathways.
- Corridors benefit people, plants, wildlife, fish & water.

The Harbor connects to the Town and the Town to the Harbor.

- ➤ Pathways, gardens & landscaped drainages flow south toward the water.
- > Public Access to park & greater Waterfront is improved.
- > Link DT Districts along the Waterfront.
- > Waterfront Park is activated & connected.
- > A new retail & market street near T&C links WW to water.
- > Artful details, gardens & green infrastructure celebrate water.
- > New buildings along Bjune orient to the water.
- > Terraces of taller buildings & public space step toward the harbor, capturing views & sun.
- > Water is collected, cleansed & recycled.
- Ponds, streams, drainages & water features cleanse, capture, sustain, buffer & inform.

Our stewardship of resources is revealed in green, artistic and environmentally appropriate buildings, spaces and infrastructure.

Regulate to stimulate investment: The City as an active partner with investors to realize the vision.

- > Invest in public amenities to stimulate private reinvestment.
- > Test economic feasibility of FAR & Parking Regulations.

Quantitative Charge to the

Charrette Teams

- > 8,200 SF of new retail per year; Add 160,000 SF by 2025
- ➤ 10,000SF new office per yr; Add 335,000 SF by 2025
- Accommodate 6,650 new Islanders by 2025, 50% in Downtown



Balanced Mobility

Mobility Elements

Travel -

Ability to move over distances, connecting regions

Circulation -

Ability to move about within areas, connecting land uses

Access -

Ability to enter and make use of specific sites

Facilities

Travel -

Freeways, arterials, rail transit, express bus lanes

Circulation –

Collectors, connectors, transit routes, bike trails and lanes

Access -

Local streets, parking, sidewalks and crosswalks



Built for...



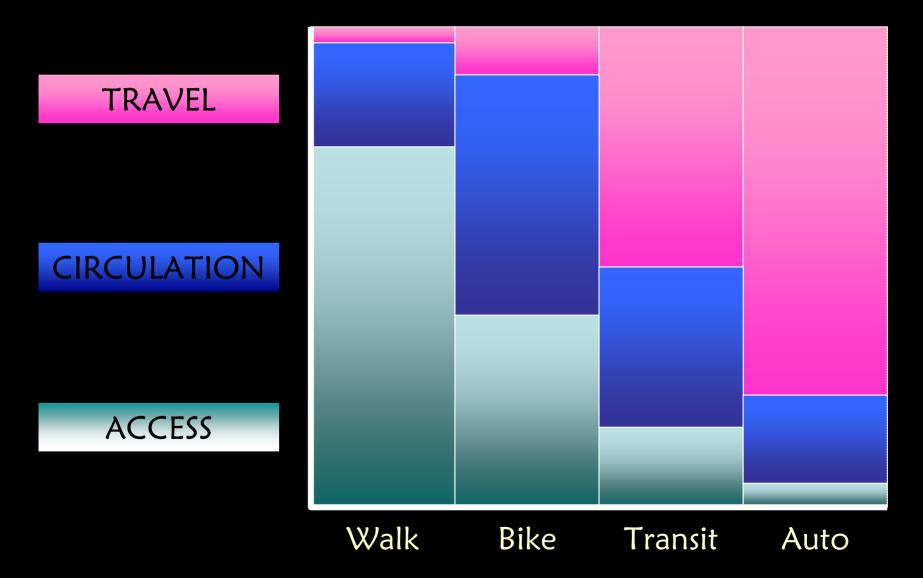
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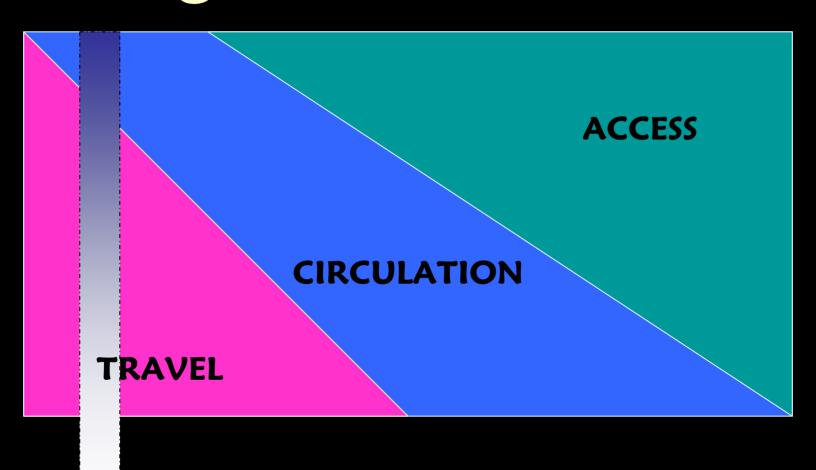




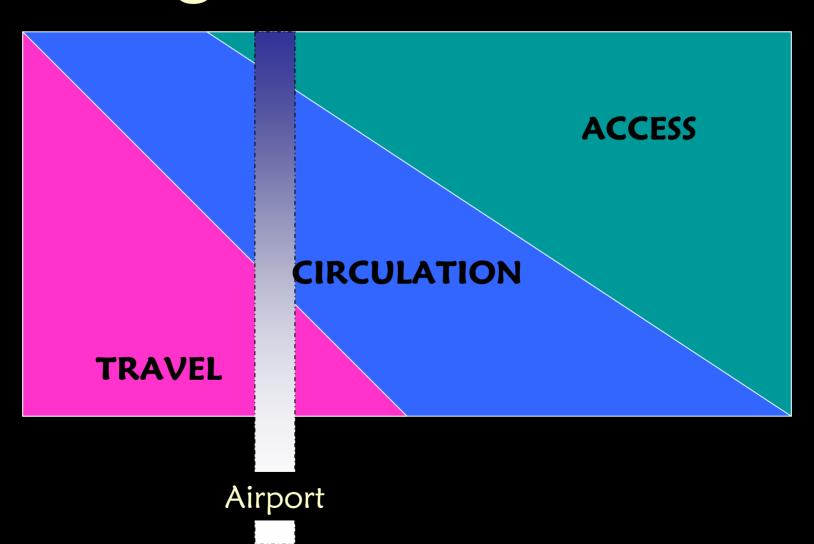
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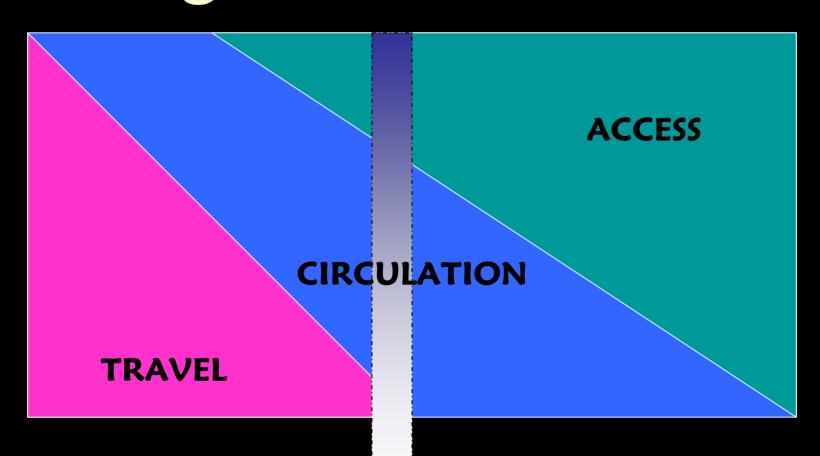
Strategic Balance - Modes



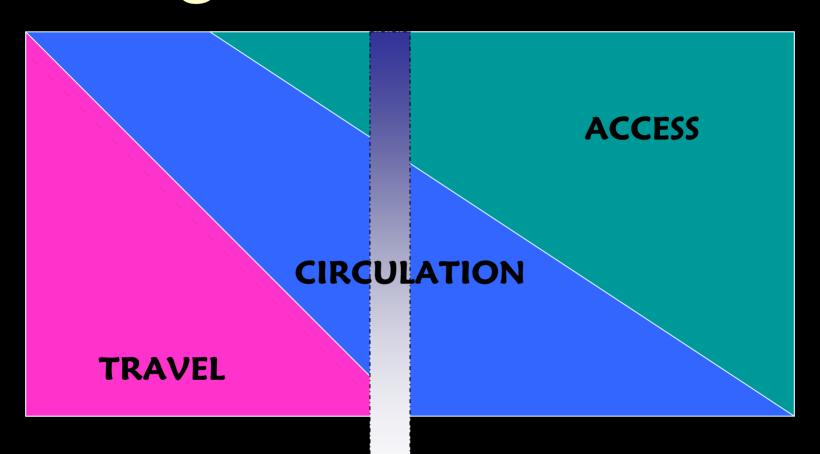


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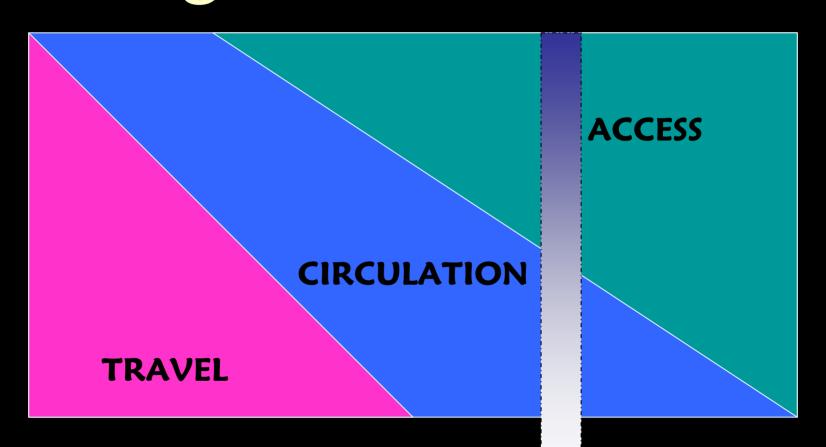




Regional Mall



Regional Downtown



Local Downtown

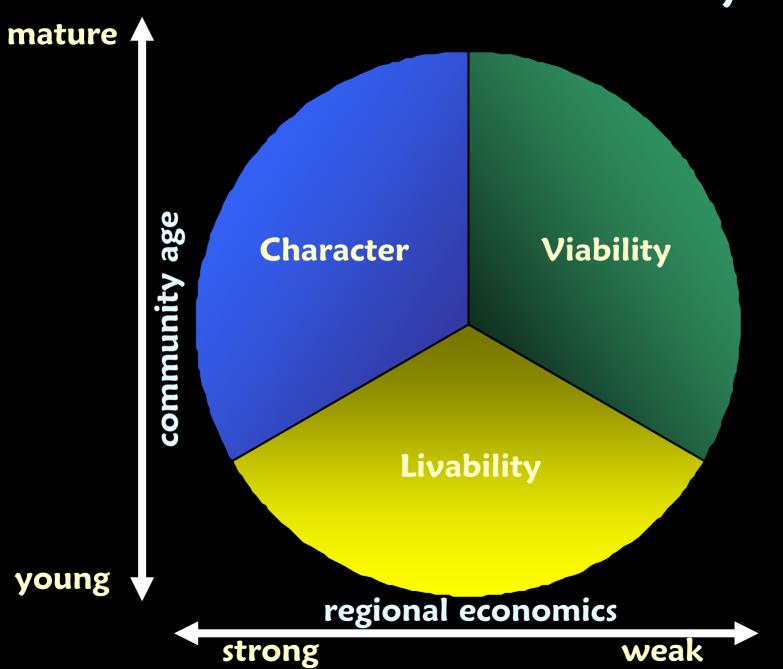
Summary: Mobility Balance

- Winslow is a local downtown
- Priorities will be:
 - 1. Access (high)
 - 2. Circulation (high)
 - 3. Travel (low)
- Our issues & opportunities are:
 - Parking
 - Circulation



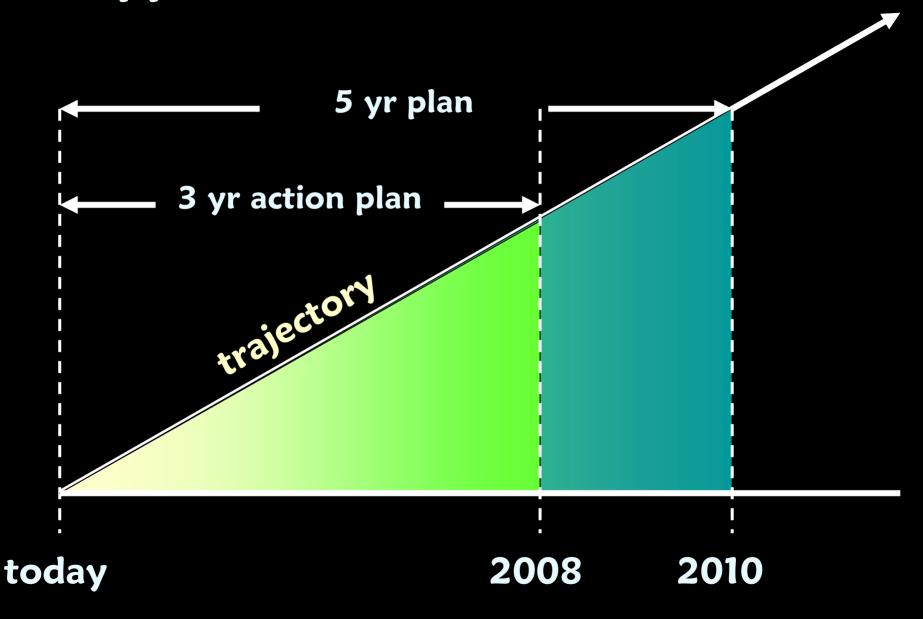
Timing

What Drives Community Policy

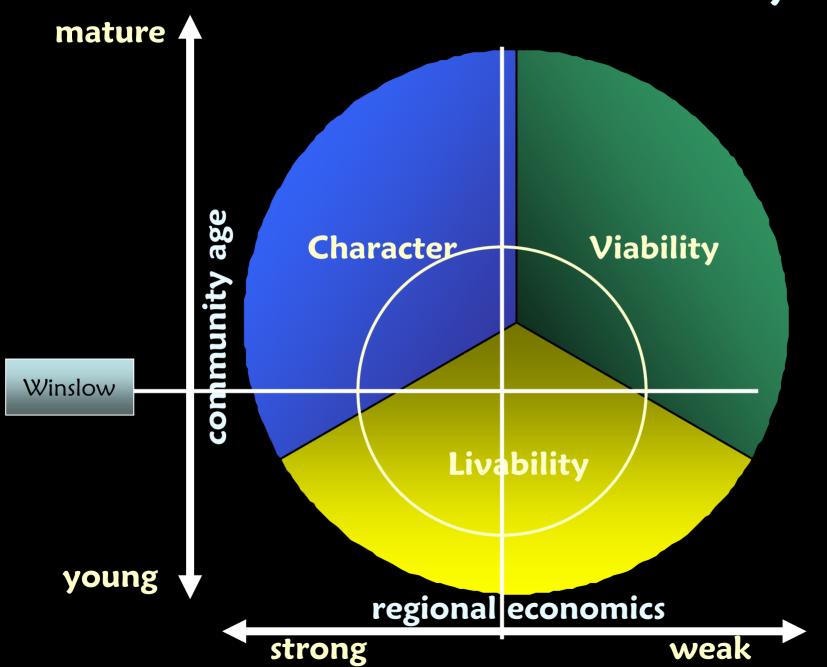


Our Approach

Your vision



What Drives Community Policy



Summary: Timing

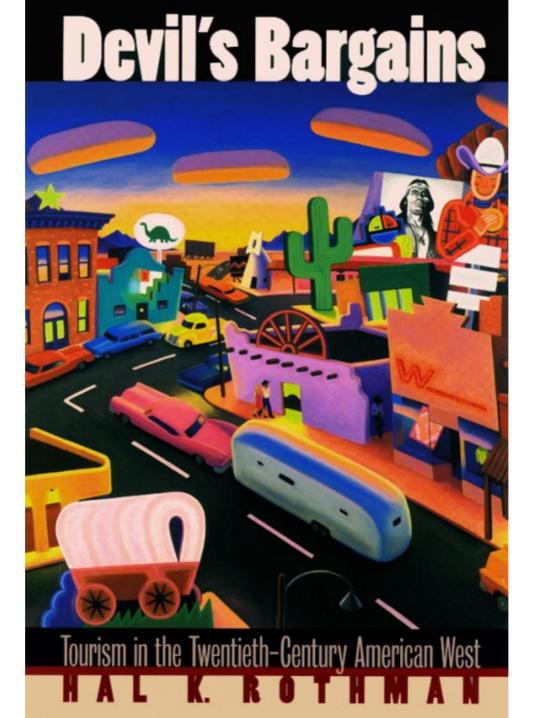
- Winslow is young (re: buildout)
- > Community character has high value
- > Community viability is assured
- > Future livability is in question
- > Vision is clear, policy steps are not
- Our project focus: policy steps
- > Our emphasis: rapid deployment



Role of Tourism & Visitors

Strategic Choice

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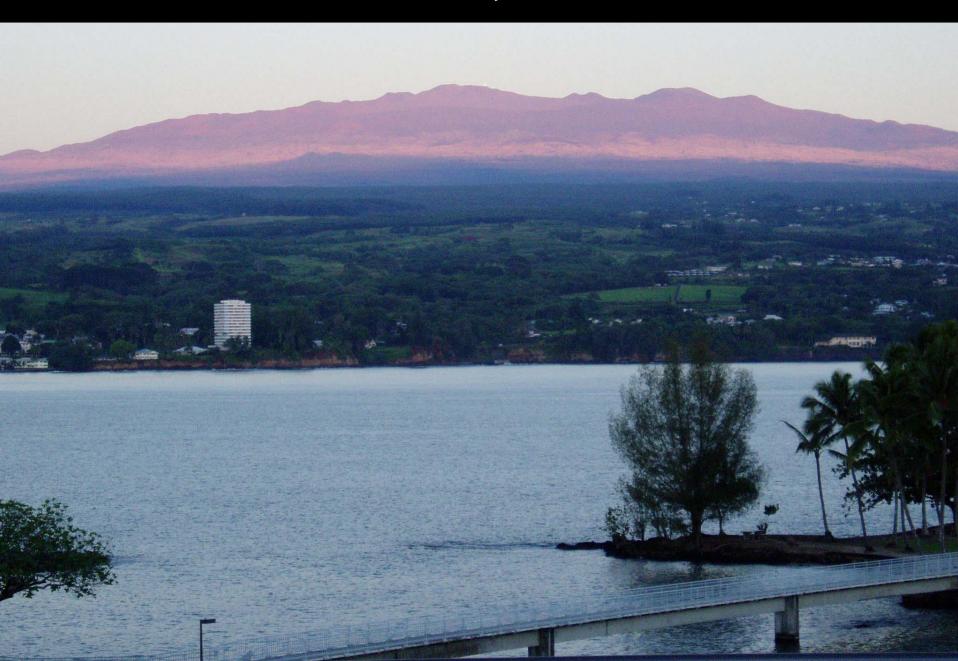
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"Devil's Bargain"

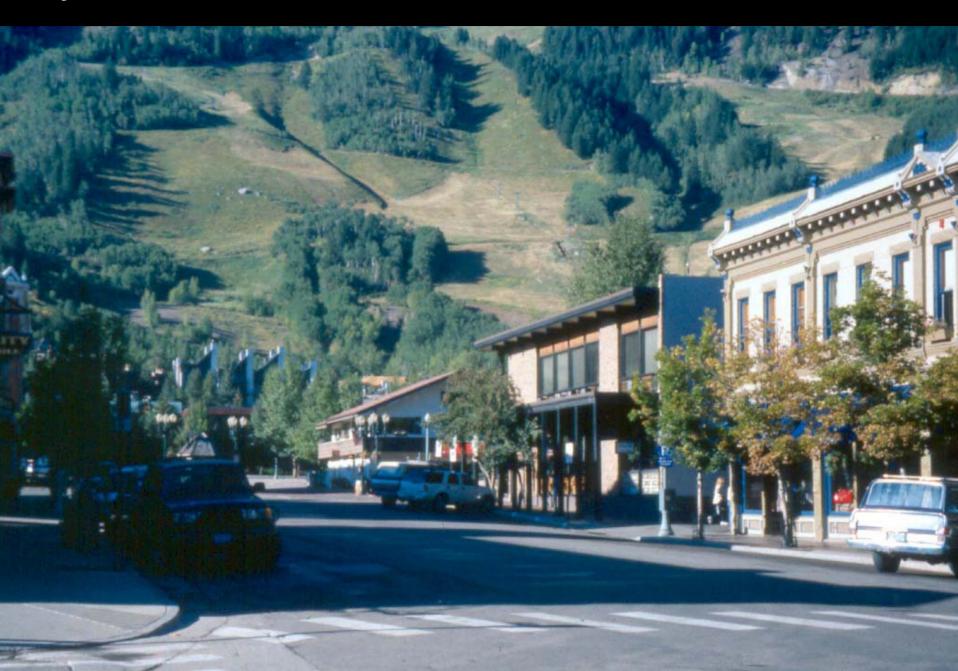
Primary business is tourism & visitors

Tourism & visitors augment local downtown

No tourism & visitor business in downtown

"Weak Economy"

Aspen, CO





























Boulder, CO





Summary: Role of Tourism & Visitors

- Winslow will be a community downtown serving the residents and employees of Bainbridge Island
- Winslow will appeal to tourists and visitors who will add income to the local economy
- But tourism will not dominate or overly influence the Downtown



Issues & Opportunities

- Parking
- Circulation

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Circulation Guiding Principles

- 1. Achieve pedestrian supportive downtown
- 2. Facilitate mode choice & flexibility
- 3. Improve connectivity for all modes
- 4. Manage pass-through traffic in downtown
- 5. Respect/protect Winslow character & history
- 6. Maintain cooperation w/ WSDOT and Kitsap Transit
- 7. Build on Island-Wide Transportation Study and Non-Motorized Transportation Plan

Circulation Issues & Opportunities

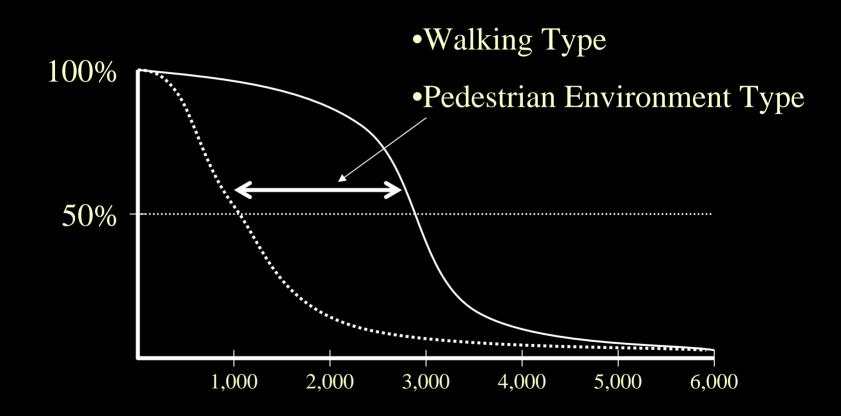
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Pedestrian Supportive Environment

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Pedestrian Walk Distance



Pedestrian Science

- > Types of Walkers
- > Types of Pedestrian Environments



Types of Walking

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- Rambling
- > Utilitarian Walking
- > Strolling, Lingering
- Promenading
- > Special Events













Types of Pedestrian Environments

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Pedestrian Environments

"Pedestrian Friendly"

PE Continuum



Pedestrian Place

- Commercial, recreational or institutional setting (not residential)
- Gathering place identifiable as a PLACE
- Significant pedestrian presence
- Motor vehicles can be present, but may not dominate
- Substantial supportive transportation systems required (parking, transit, bike)

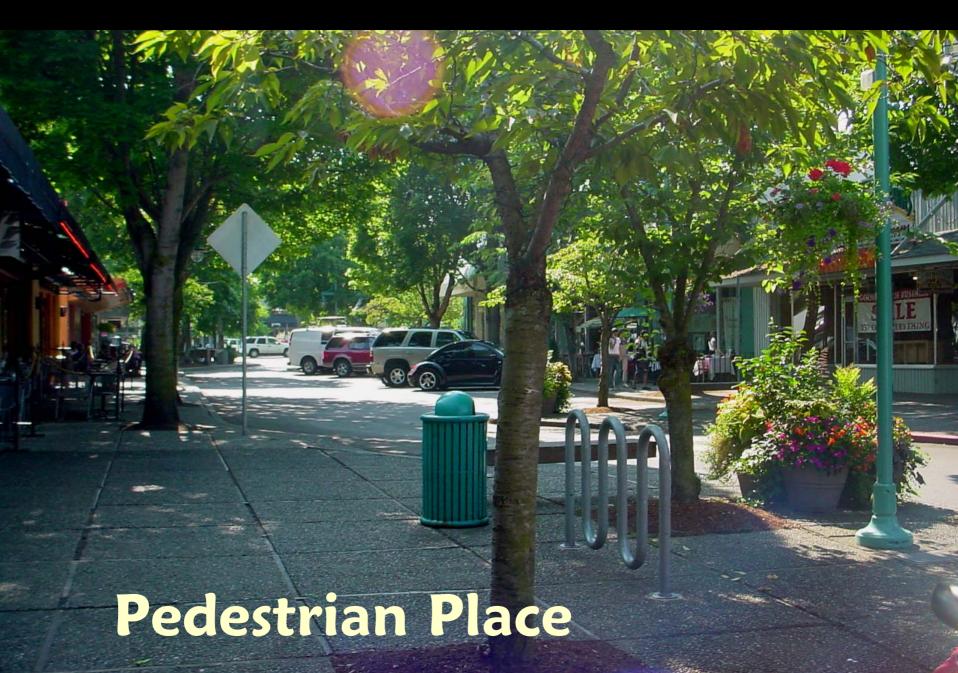








Kirkland, WA









Pedestrian Place



Pedestrian Supportive

- Commercial, recreational, institutional or residential setting – most, but not all land uses
- May include gathering PLACES
- Pedestrians are present at most times and are numerous at busy times of day/week
- Motor vehicles are present, but do not dominate















Pedestrian Tolerant

- All land uses except freeway and limited special uses (airport runway, garbage dump, etc.)
- Only utilitarian walking and rambling occur
- Motor vehicles are present and tend to dominate





Pedestrian Tolerant



Pedestrian Intolerant

- Any land use
- Very little if any walking
- > Motor vehicles dominate
- Unsafe, unpleasant



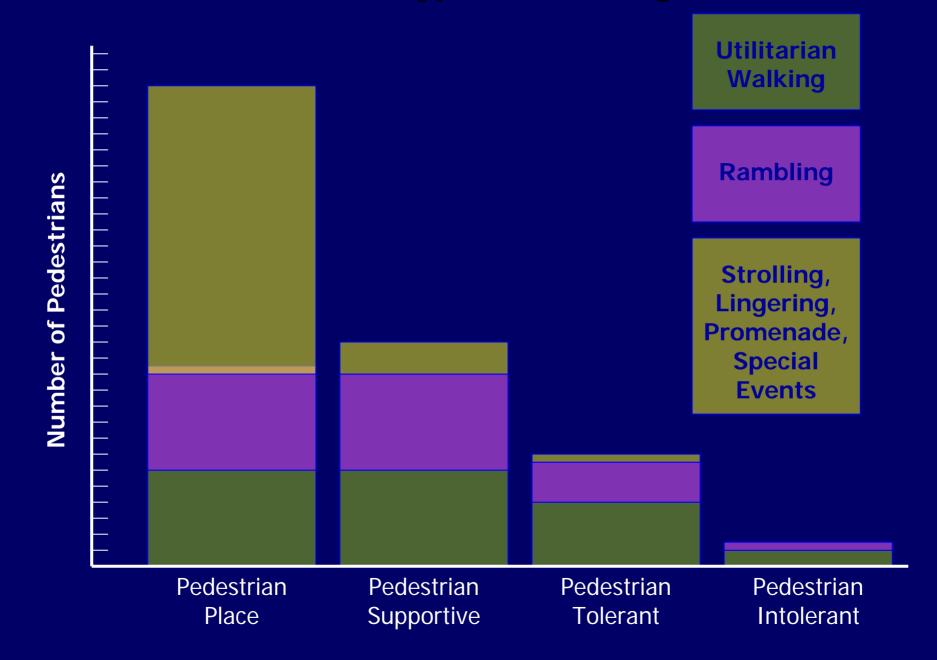


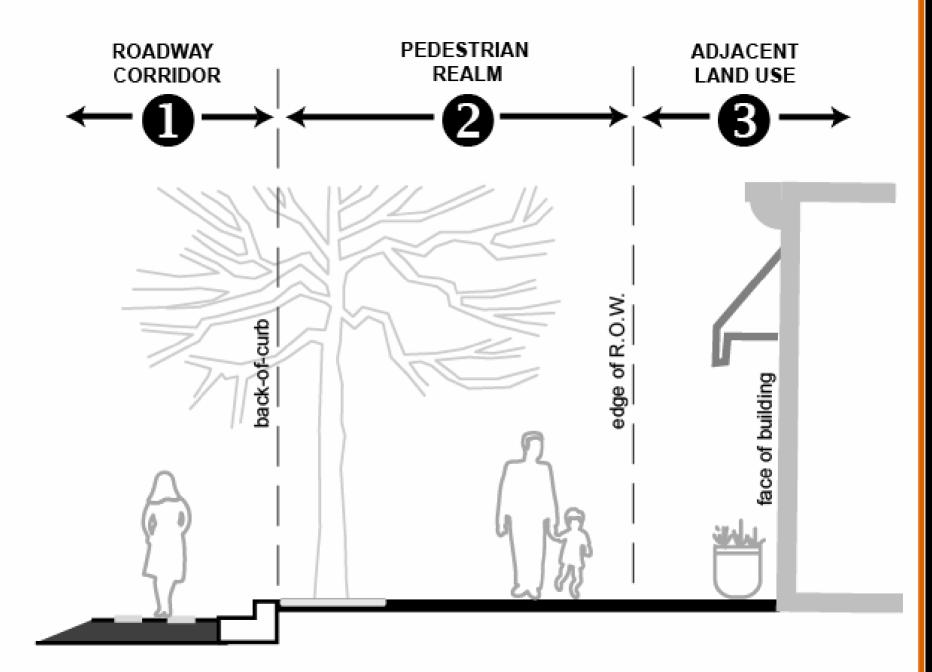






Walk Environments and Types of Walking

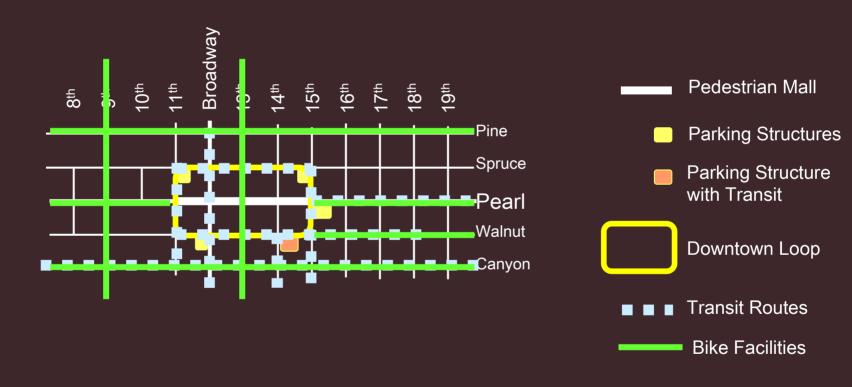




Pedestrian places require multimodal systems...



Pearl Street Pedestrian Mall





















Boulder's pedestrian mall works because ...

... it is supported by a balanced multimodal transportation system.





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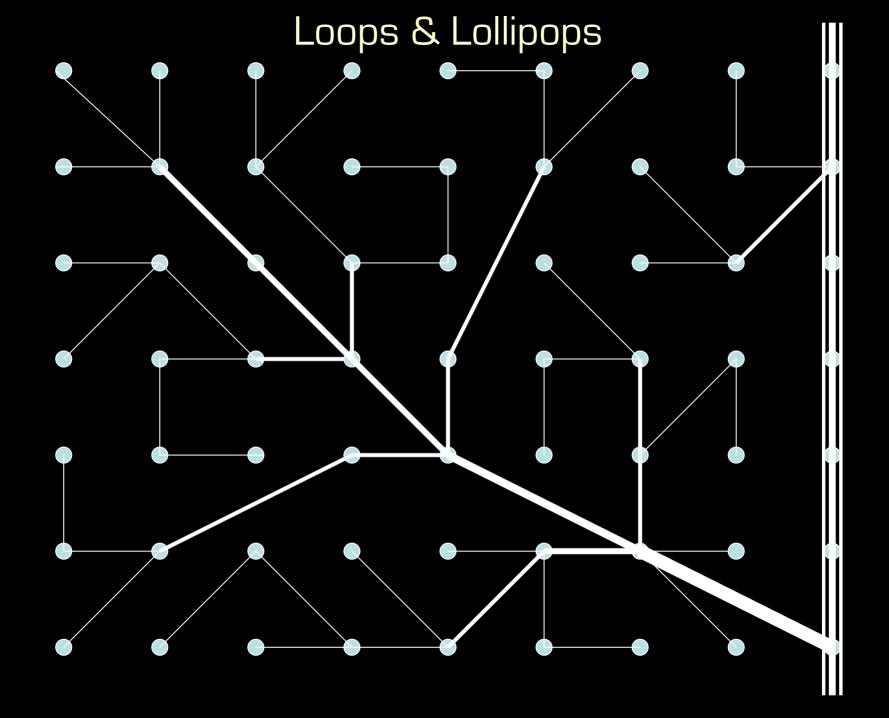


Improving Connectivity

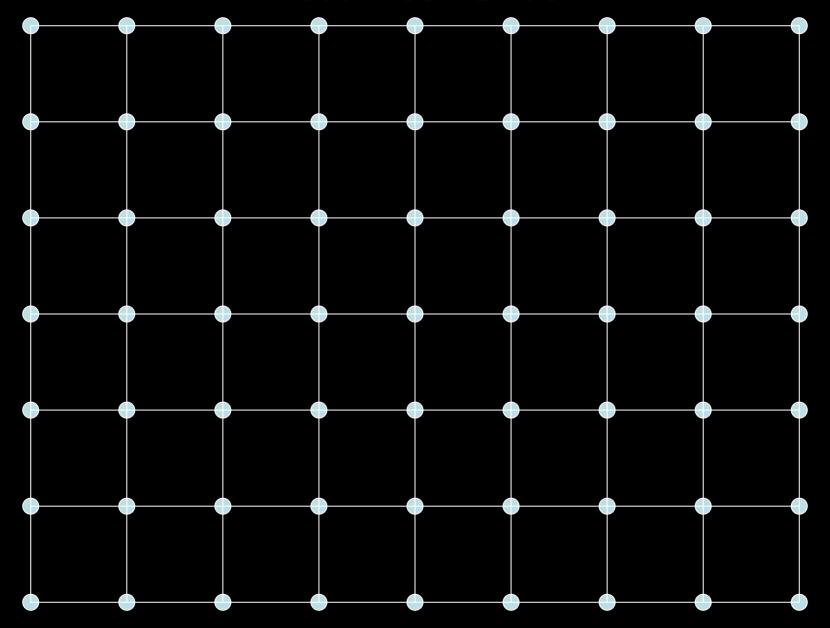
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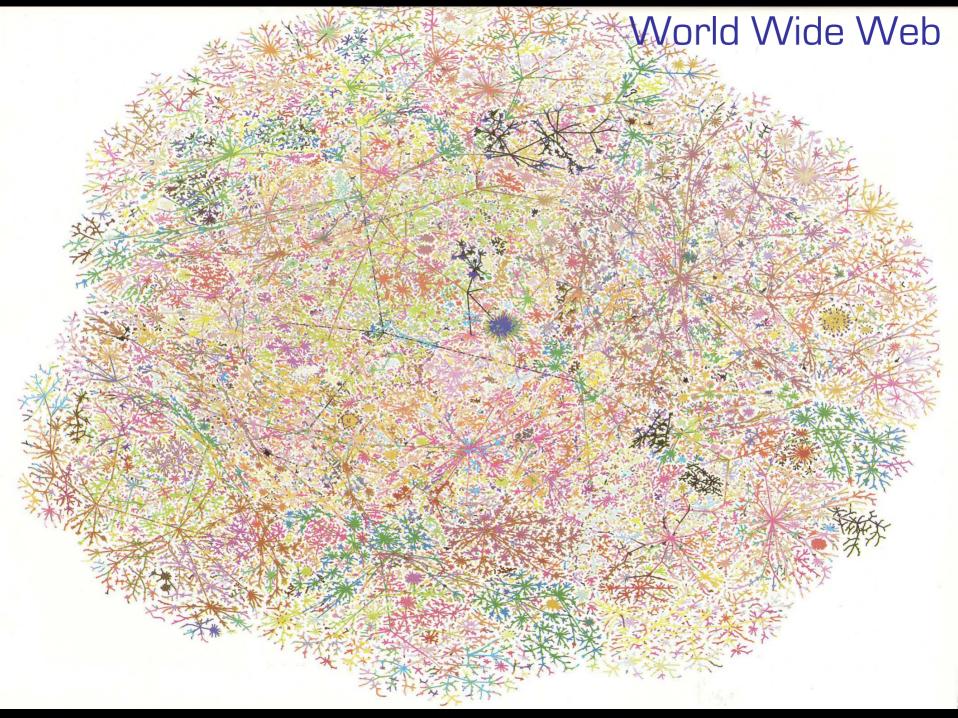
Levels of transportation planning:

- ✓ Network planning
- ✓ Corridor planning
- ✓ Project planning

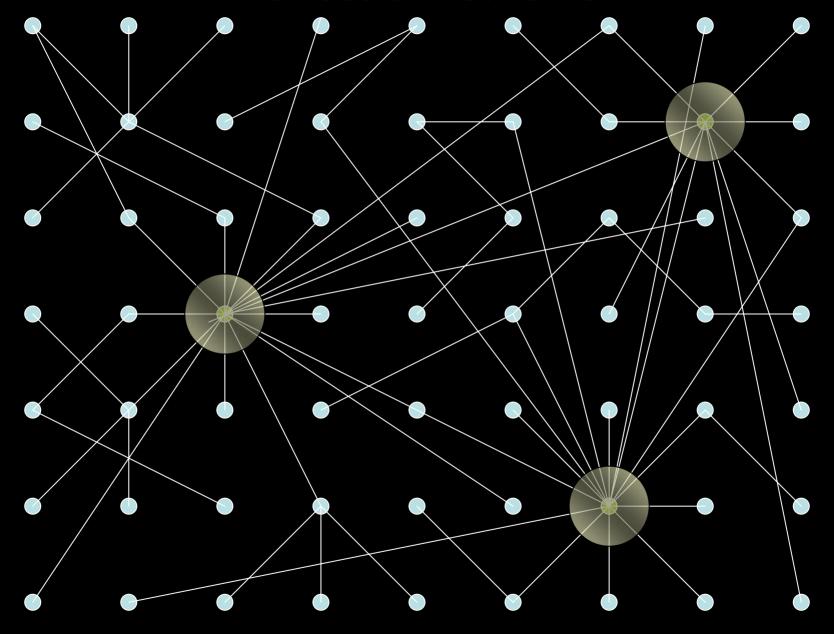


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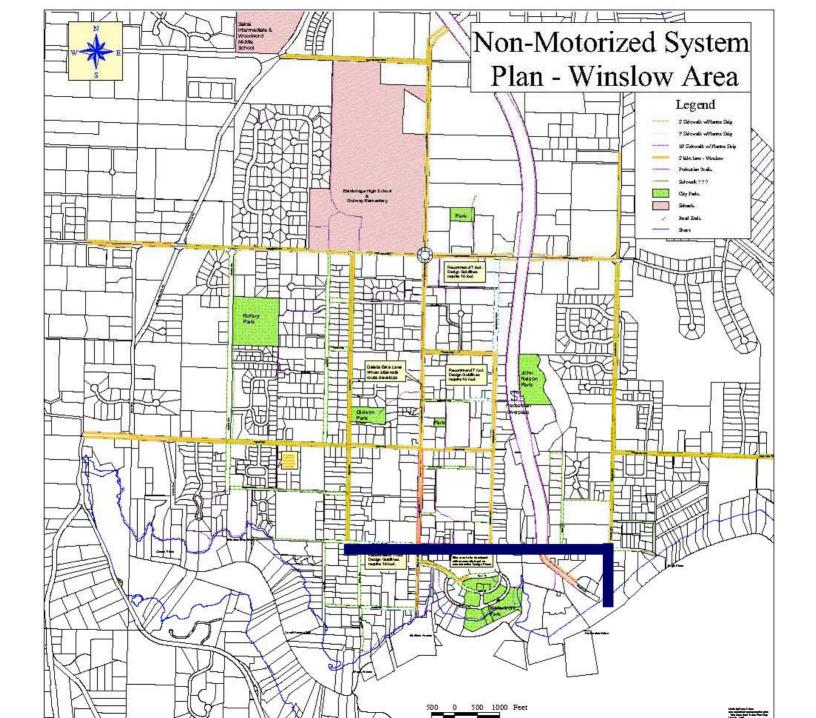


Non-scalar networks



Non-Scalar Networks

- Some nodes in the network are more important than others
- Connectivity improvements should be prioritized by the importance of nodes
- On Bainbridge Island the two most important nodes will be Winslow and the ferry terminal









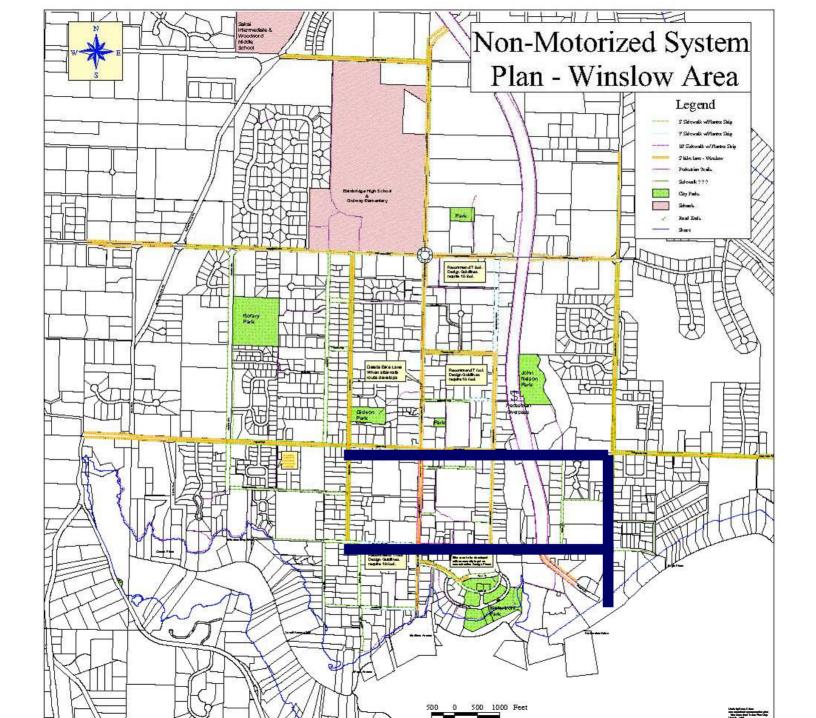




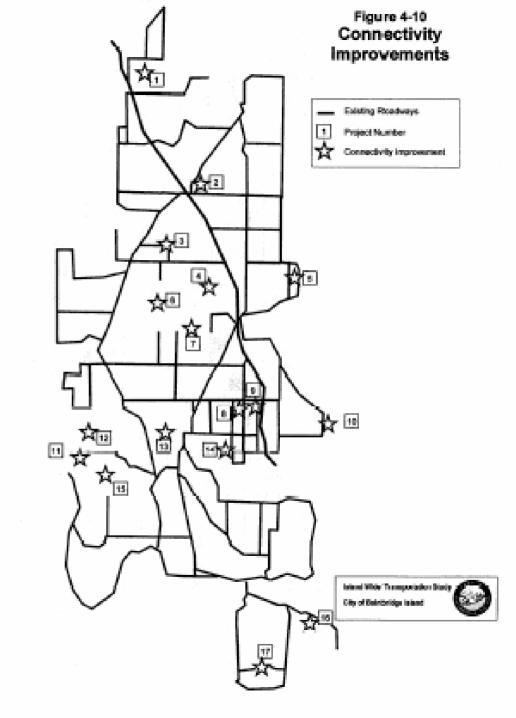








2004 Island-Wide Transportation Study



Potential Prioritization

- Multimodal connections (bicycle, pedestrian, transit, motor vehicle)
- Connections benefiting downtown circulation





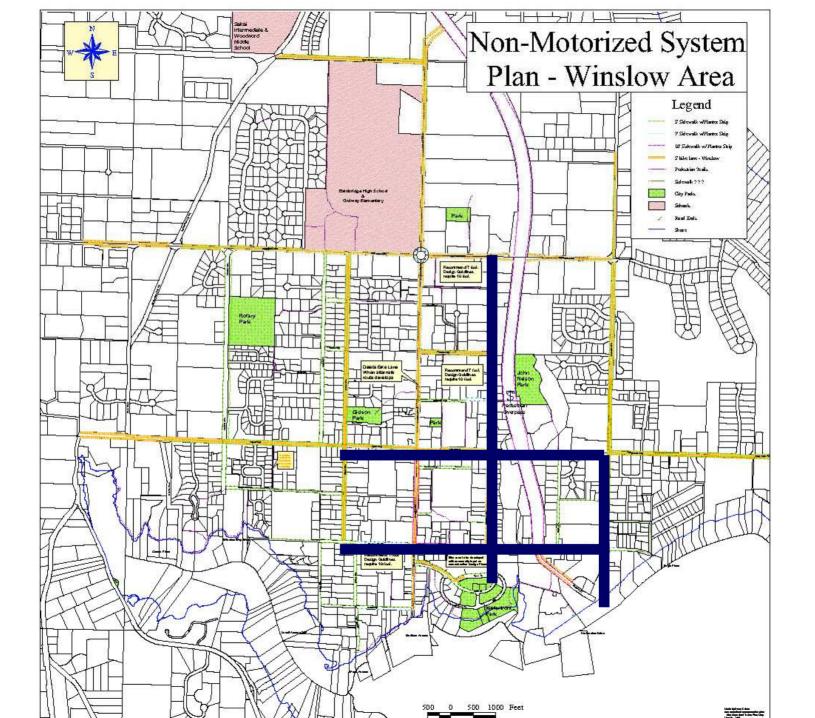






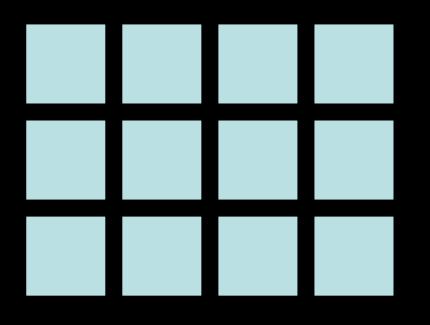








Pedestrian Networks



The ideal pedestrian "grain" is 250' to 330'

Downtown Winslow pedestrian grid





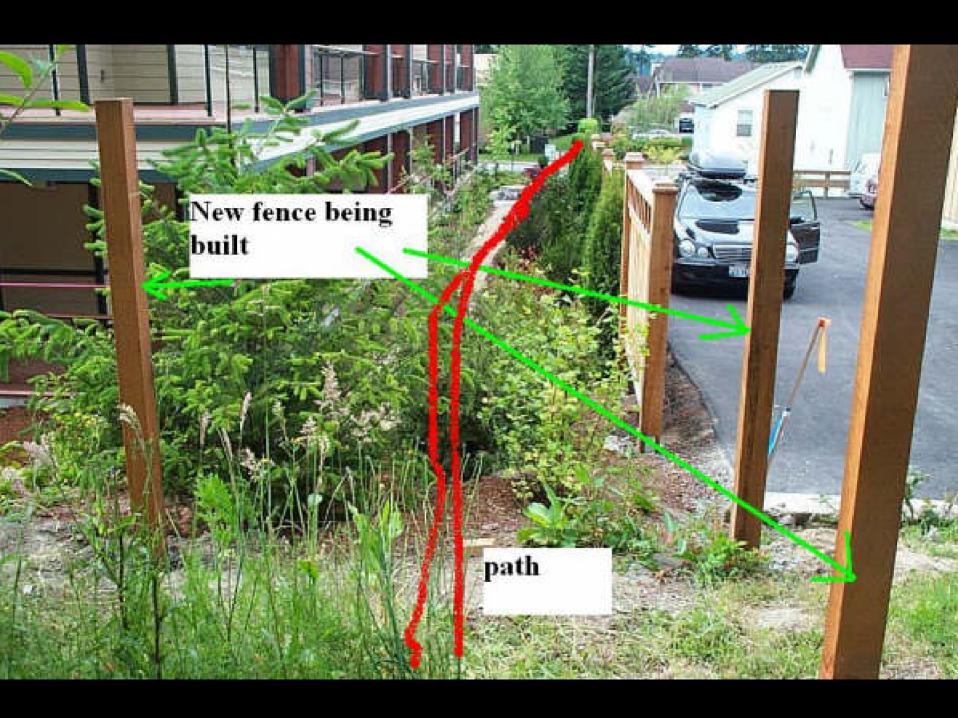




Connecting Neighborhoods







Summary: Improving Connectivity

- Multimodal street network
- Downtown circulation
- Core pedestrian grid
- Connecting/protecting neighborhoods
- Connecting Winslow to the Harbor

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Traffic Management

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Traffic Management

- > Ferry terminal interface and access
- > Managing pass-through traffic





"Induced Traffic"

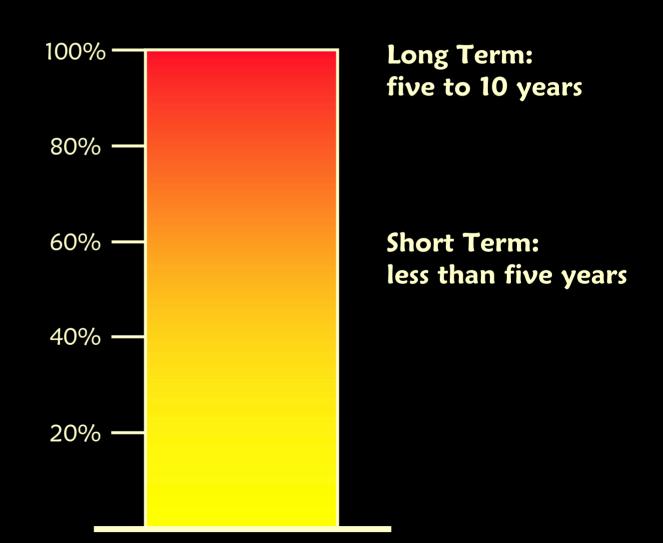
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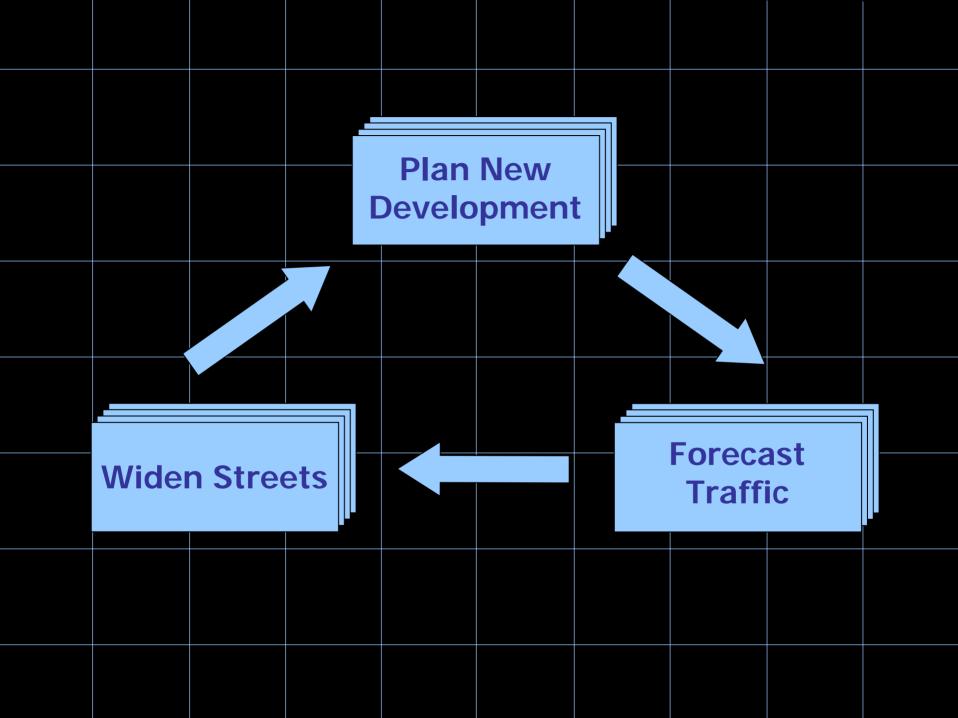
The additional traffic that results directly and indirectly from transportation capacity or travel time improvements – traffic that would not otherwise have occurred at that location.

Types of Induced Traffic

Changes in travel route Immediate
Changes in mode of travel < 6 months
Changes in time of travel < 6 months
Changes in amount of travel < 6 months
Changes in origins & destinations < 10 years

% of new capacity consumed by induced traffic...





Traffic Management



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Leveraging Transit

- Local circulators (e.g., 100)
- > Park and ride (on island)
- Water taxi



Discussion

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