

Downtown Winslow Circulation and Access

Conclusions and Recommendations



Our assignment – provide an action-oriented blueprint for:

- > Improving Circulation
- > Improving Access

...based on community objectives and WT Design Principles

Winslow Tomorrow Design Principles

- 1. Complete community
- 2. Winslow is a pedestrian place
- 3. Connectivity & access for all
- 4. Parking plentiful & accessible
- 5. Green & gathering places
- 6. Harbor connected to Town
- 7. Stewardship of resources
- 8. Regulate to stimulate investment

Overall Approach Objectives Strategies Actions Priority Actions

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City Council

January 9, 2006

Format

- Circulation
 - Observations
 - Recommendations
- > Access
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Circulation



Observations - Circulation

Observation



Corollary

Winslow is not well connected – externally or internally



Your best opportunities to correct this will be in the next five years – this affects all modes



Observation



Corollary

Winslow is fairly pedestrian tolerant





Bainbridge Islanders say they want their downtown to be a great pedestrian place

Observation



Corollary

Local traffic is growing





Local traffic can be the life blood of a downtown if there is good access and circulation to facilitate it

Observation



Corollary

Regional traffic is growing





While there is no "solution" to regional traffic growth, Winslow can continue to thrive with a better circulation network

Observation



Corollary

Bainbridge Islanders want better transit service



There is a real opportunity to work with Kitsap Transit to improve transit service for local residents and commuters





Overall Approach – Circulation

Recommended Circulation Objectives

- A. Achieve pedestrian supportive downtown
- B. Improve connectivity
- C. Manage traffic
- D. Expand transit services



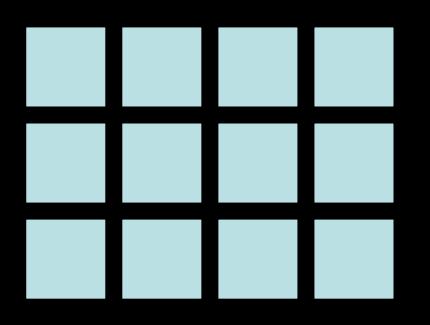
Circulation Objectives

A. Achieve Pedestrian Supportive Environment

Key Pedestrian Opportunities

- Primary walk axis (Winslow Way)
- Tight walking grid
- Urban design
 - Small town main street
 - Green environment
 - Ferry terminal

Pedestrian Networks



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

This is an important asset





A. Achieve a Pedestrian Supportive Environment

- 1. Make downtown a "park once" area
- 2. Tighten downtown walk grid
- 3. Protect & formalize use paths
- 4. Pursue placemaking with land owners
- 5. Position Winslow as local & regional walking destination



Circulation Objectives

B. Improve Connectivity

Key Connections (all modes)

- Winslow to Eagle Harbor
- Winslow to ferry terminal area
- Winslow to High School Rd area
- Winslow to neighborhoods

B. Improve Connectivity

- 1. Improve street connectivity
- 2. Develop multimodal streets
- 3. Improve street continuity
- 4. Connect downtown to Eagle Harbor
- 5. Connect downtown to Ferry Terminal area

1,500

Al Dorsey Lane

Wyatt Way

from Winslow Tomorrow

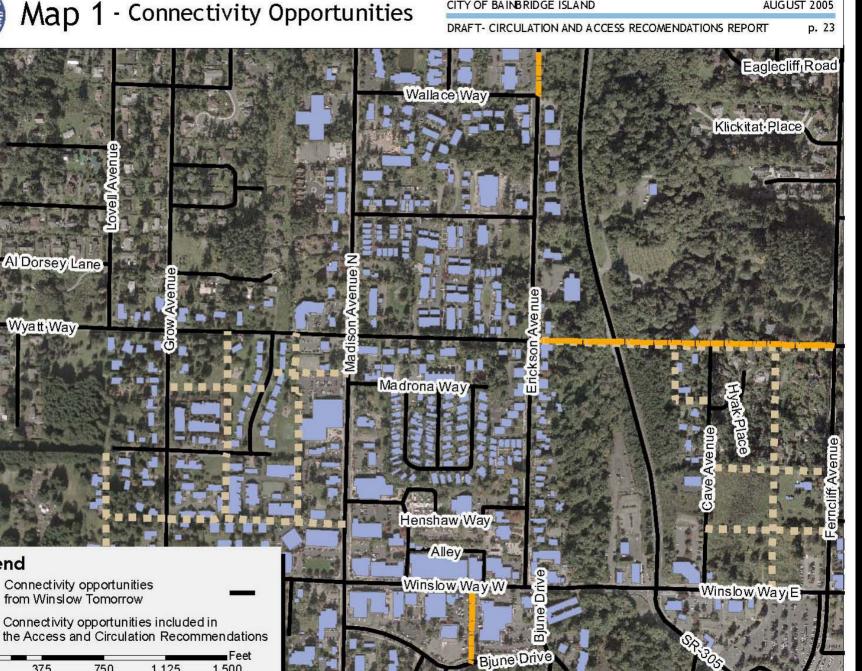
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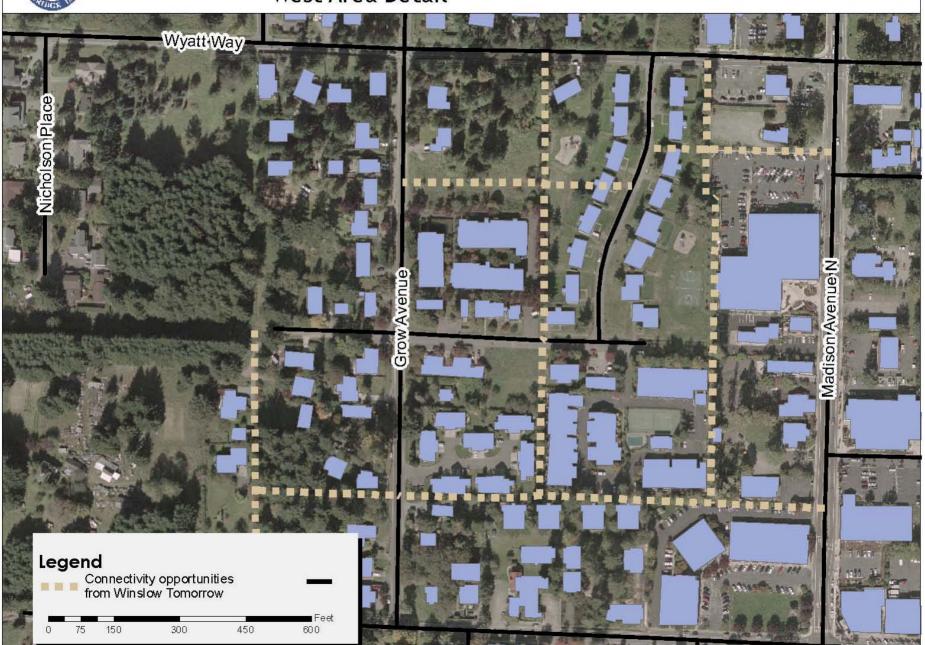
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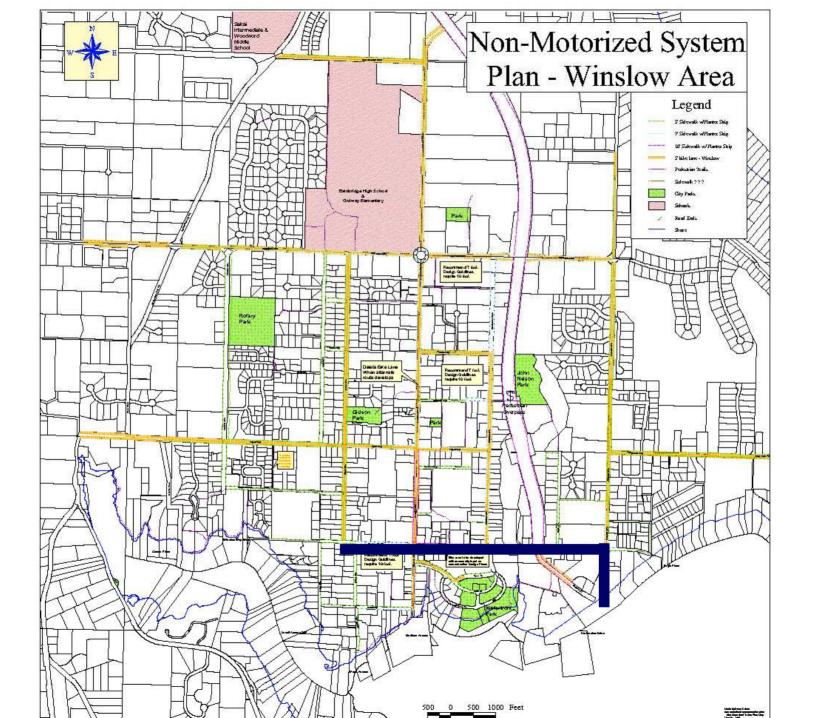
Connectivity Opportunities, Map 2 -West Area Detail













Circulation Objectives

C. Manage Traffic

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- 1. Rebuild Winslow Way
- 2. Avoid massive capacity projects
- 3. Increase transit service to downtown



Circulation Objectives

D. Expand Transit Services

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- 1. Increase transit service to downtown
- 2. Improve core circulator
- 3. Increase availability of park and ride facilities



Access



Observations – Access

Observation



Corollary

Storefront parking (on-street) is a key downtown asset



Storefront parking in Winslow is poorly used today with employees and regional commuters occupying valuable on-street spaces



Observation



Corollary

There is not a parking shortage today



Significant new parking will be needed if Winslow is to experience redevelopment and infill



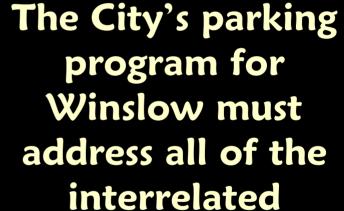
Observation



Corollary

Parking issues are interrelated







elements

Observation



Corollary

Winslow parking issues have been studied a lot



The challenge will be taking action on controversial ordinances, programs and projects





Overall Approach – Access

Downtown Parking Supply

not enough

- discourage infill & redevelopment
- limit pedestrian presence
- reduce retail sales & downtown income
- cause continual parking issues

right amount

too much

- devote too much land area to parking
- dampen commercial synergy
- negative influence on community character
- impose unnecessary capital costs

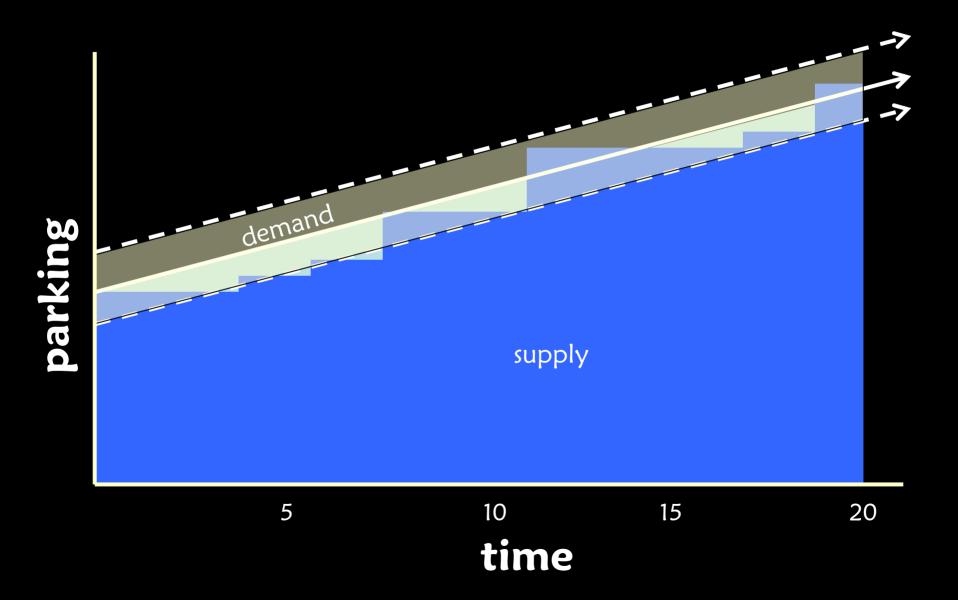
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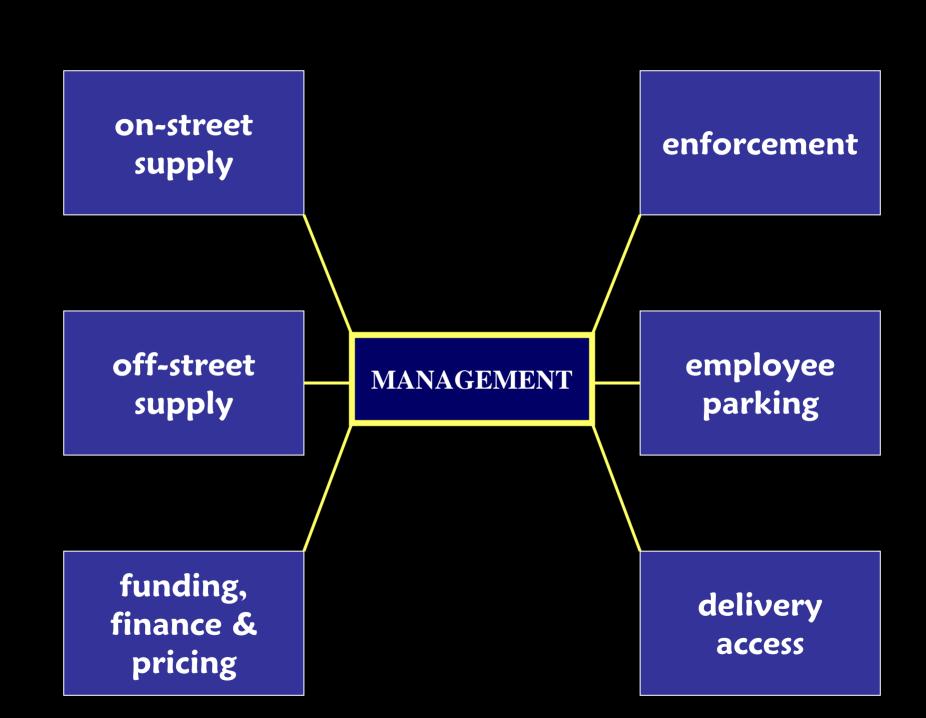
Off-street parking spaces (4/1,000)

(1,000)		
	office	retail
annual	40	33
by 2025	800	640

1,440 spaces

Managing Parking As a Utility





Overall Approach – Access

- 1. Achieve pedestrian supportive downtown
- 2. Support & retain existing businesses
- 3. Encourage infill & redevelopment consistent with Winslow Tomorrow
- 4. Achieve equity in management & finance



Recommended Access Objectives

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- E. Manage Parking Supply Strategically
- F. Solidify Parking Enforcement
- G. Provide Foundation for Parking Finance
- H. Provide Employee Parking
- I. Manage Delivery Truck Access
- J. Establish Parking District
- K. Manage Ferry Terminal District Parking



Access Objectives

E. Manage Parking Supply Strategically

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- Maximize the availability of on-street parking supply (storefront parking)
- 2. Improve utilization of on-street parking supply
- 3. Plan for paid public parking in the future
- 4. Support (provide for) alternative modes
- 5. Ensure the right amount of off-street parking
 - 6. Encourage redevelopment and infill on small parcels



Access Objectives

F. Solidify Parking Enforcement

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- 1. Increase probability of time limit offenders receiving tickets
- 2. Eliminate 2-hour shuffle
- 3. Establish escalating fines for scofflaws (repeat offenders)
- 4. Maintain customer-friendly environment
- 5. Establish a neighborhood parking permit program
- 6. Assist private property owners with private parking enforcement



Vancouver's new system*:

"Once a license plate is entered, staff has immediate and up-to-date data on outstanding tickets, previous cancellations, residential/exempt permits and any history of abusive behavior by the driver. Staff is also able to signal impound requests to the towing contractor without having to go through a dispatcher."

* wireless





Access Objectives

G. Provide Foundation for Parking Finance

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- 1. Retool Fee-in-Lieu (FIL) program
- 2. Establish parking enterprise fund (PEF)
- 3. Set stage for public/private partnerships
- 4. Prepare for paid parking





Access Objectives

H. Provide Employee Parking

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- 1. Provide safe, convenient paid parking for employees
- 2. Reduce employee use of downtown on-street parking



Access Objectives

I. Manage Delivery Truck Access



1. Manage Delivery Truck Access

Shift delivery vehicle parking and access off of downtown streets



Access Objectives

J. Establish Parking District

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1. Establish a parking district



Access Objectives

K. Manage Ferry Terminal District Parking

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- Encourage development of onstreet parking supply
- 2. Apply Winslow enforcement system
- 3. Ensure the right amount of offstreet parking
- 4. Extend Winslow Parking District



Implementation

Next Steps

Implementation Categories

- Ordinances
- Capital Projects
- Operations
- Policies
- Further Planning Actions

Ordinances

- New ordinances
- Changes to existing ordinances

Capital Projects

Projects to be added to the City's capital improvements program

Operations

- Changes to:
 - Organizational structure
 - Administrative processes
 - Budgetary actions

Policies

- New or revised City policies
 - Comprehensive plan
 - Core area master plan

Note: The comprehensive plan is updated only once each year

Further Planning Actions

- Studies
- Plans
- Ongoing coordination with other agencies



Discussion