

## Seattle Neighborhood Workshops

### SUMMARY THEMES

#### Roosevelt

##### **Assets –**

- Groups all mentioned Roosevelt High School, Ravenna and Cowan parks, commercial center on 65<sup>th</sup>, residential, walkability, family friendly, trees and green space.
- Most groups mentioned light rail and good transportation options generally (freeway access, park & ride, buses); several mentioned historic homes and architectural features, and the variety of small, local businesses.

**Proposed zoning changes** – There were both favorable comments and concerns. Themes were:

- Favorable:
  - Broad support for affordable housing within the neighborhood, and having the housing in the neighborhood rather than in lieu fees paid
  - Support for variety of housing sizes and costs, especially for families
  - Support of commercial in current hub on 65<sup>th</sup>, and on Roosevelt Way, especially for local businesses
  - Some suggest adding density on 65<sup>th</sup>, and extending the Urban Village boundary east to connect to the Ravenna neighborhood
- Concerns:
  - There were distinct differences. Some suggested that the Urban Village boundary could be expanded further than shown; others questioned the need to expand the boundary at all, since the neighborhood has already added the density it committed to in its plan.
  - Concern about displacement, worries that seniors or other current residents would be able to afford to live in the neighborhood; desire to keep the diversity of the neighborhood.
  - Concerns about traffic and parking impacts.
  - Need for a realistic 10-minute walkshed; questions about the basis for walkshed shown
  - Need for options for families
  - Need for parking for commercial areas and medical centers; general questions on parking need and use
  - Need for setbacks, wider sidewalks, ADA access, pedestrian scale, kid-friendly areas
  - Transitions, especially from commercial areas, need to be smoother
  - Add green space/parks
  - Need for infrastructure and services to go with growth
  - Zoning change threatens historic homes and architecture; desire to keep varied design types and neighborhood character