

## Mountlake Terrace 2006 Town Center Plan Project

### Purpose of Town Center Plan:

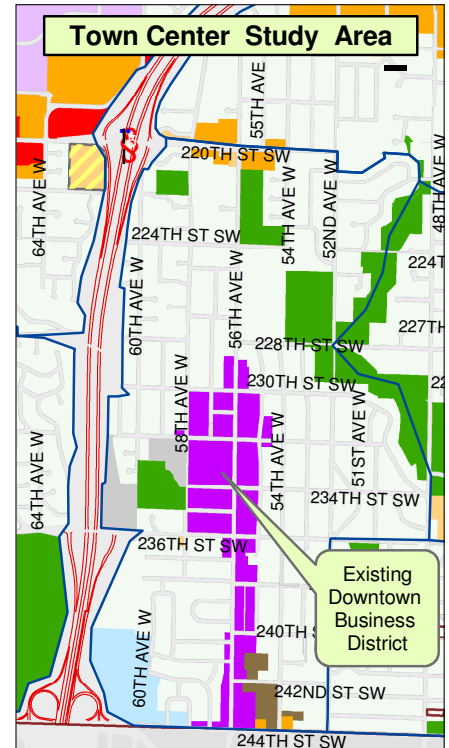
Create a framework for a vibrant downtown, with thriving businesses, walkability, and quality of life for residents

### Council Goals:

The City Council's goals for economic development and community outreach have set the stage for developing a Town Center Plan.

### Examples of questions the Town Center Plan will answer:

- ❑ What is the vision for downtown?
- ❑ What kinds of development will work best here?
- ❑ Where should the main "core" Town Center be located—and how will it be different than other parts of the existing downtown business district?
- ❑ How can design standards ensure quality development AND meet market needs?
- ❑ How can traffic impacts be addressed?
- ❑ Where could a new city hall be located and should it have space for a community center or other uses?
- ❑ How can nearby residential neighborhoods be protected while more downtown development is encouraged?
- ❑ Should mini-casinos be allowed?
- ❑ How can the city's location on I-5 be used to advantage?



### Proposed Timeframe:

The City Council has set a fast-paced schedule for developing and finalizing a **Town Center Plan by the end of 2006**, along with any necessary code changes. Following is a schedule of major milestones.

<u>Timeframe</u>	<u>Major Milestone</u>
April –June	Scoping and Scheduling
July 24, 26, 31	3 Community Roundtable Meetings
August 5	Bus Tour of Other Communities (City Council and Planning Commission)
August 14	Developers' Forum
August 30	Synthesis of existing reports affecting downtown
September 11, 12, 13	Design workshops, open houses and visual preference survey
October 30	Open House on Town Center Alternatives
November 8	Open House on Town Center Alternatives
November 27	Consideration of Town Center Plan and Development Regulations (Public Hearing by Planning Commission)
December 14	Review of Planning Commission's Recommendations (Work Session by City Council)
December 18	Consideration of Town Center Plan and Development Regulations (Public Hearing and First Reading by City Council)
January 2	Adoption of Town Center Plan and Development Regulations

### Contact Information:

Check the City's website at [www.cityofmlt.com/towncenter](http://www.cityofmlt.com/towncenter) for updated information. Alternatively, please call 425.744.6266.