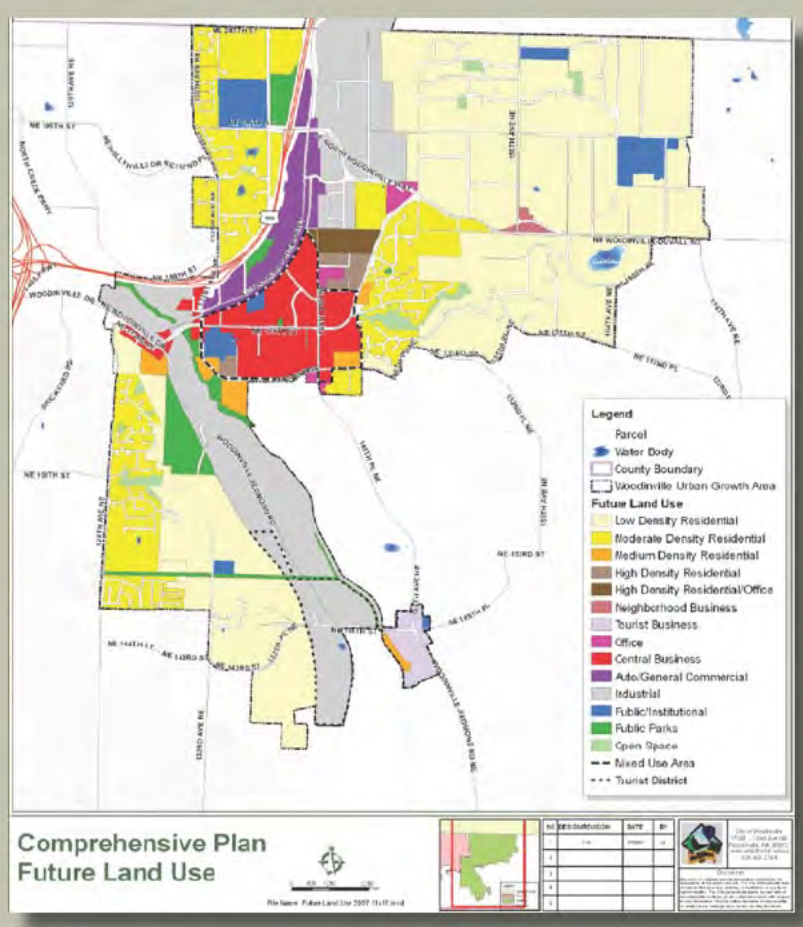
City View

Woodinville 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update



Are you interested in shaping the way that the City of Woodinville grows over the next 20 years? Now is the time to make your comments known, as the City is sending out surveys, setting up public meetings and workshops, all in the effort to get your opinion on what you think is important. The first public meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2013 in the City Council Chambers (17301 133rd Avenue NE, Woodinville) from 6:30pm-9pm.

At this first meeting, the City will provide information regarding the purpose and scope of the Comprehensive Plan update, provide information on population growth targets, and provide data on economic, fiscal, and environmental conditions in Woodinville. It will also be an opportunity for attendees to give feedback on the services the City provides that are valuable or the ones that we need to improve upon.

The purpose of a comprehensive plan is to shape Woodinville's physical development over a 20-year period, guide growth consistent with the community's values, and to plan for resource allocation to provide required municipal services to current and future residents and businesses. The update will cover the period from 2015-2035.

To establish a valuable plan, the City encourages all residents, business owners, government agencies, and interest groups to respond to questionnaires and to participate in the scheduled public meetings and workshops.

To learn more about the 2015 Comprehensive Plan update visit the City's webpage at www.ci.woodinville.wa.us.

2013 City of Woodinville Services and Facilities Survey

The City of Woodinville strives to provide citizens and local businesses with the best possible service. To help us provide better service, please take a few minutes to fill-out the attached survey. Once completed, just drop the postage-paid survey in the mail.

Public surveys provide valuable feedback regarding how successful we are in meeting citizens' expectations and how we can improve. Our City services and facilities survey covers a range of City services from street conditions to tax rates. Results of the survey will be posted on the City's webpage in early 2014.

Wilmot Gateway Park Upgrades

Wilmot Gateway Park will undergo some upgrades in 2014 to enhance its use as a popular recreational and cultural center for Woodinville. Located near downtown Woodinville, the park is one of the City's most used parks, and it provides access to the Sammamish River and serves as the gateway to the King County regional trail system. Opened in 1999, it was the first community park in Woodinville. The park is named after the late Jerry Wilmot, who was an active participant in getting the City incorporated and served on the City's first Planning Commission.

The park was designed to support special events, such as concerts, performances, and other community activities. This year, the park served as the center point for the Celebrate Woodinville Festival and the summer concert series. Attendance was superb this year, with an average of 500 people for each concert and more than 2,000 people attending the festival.

Increased popularity of the park and the special events created the need for the City to design some upgrades to the park that will include:

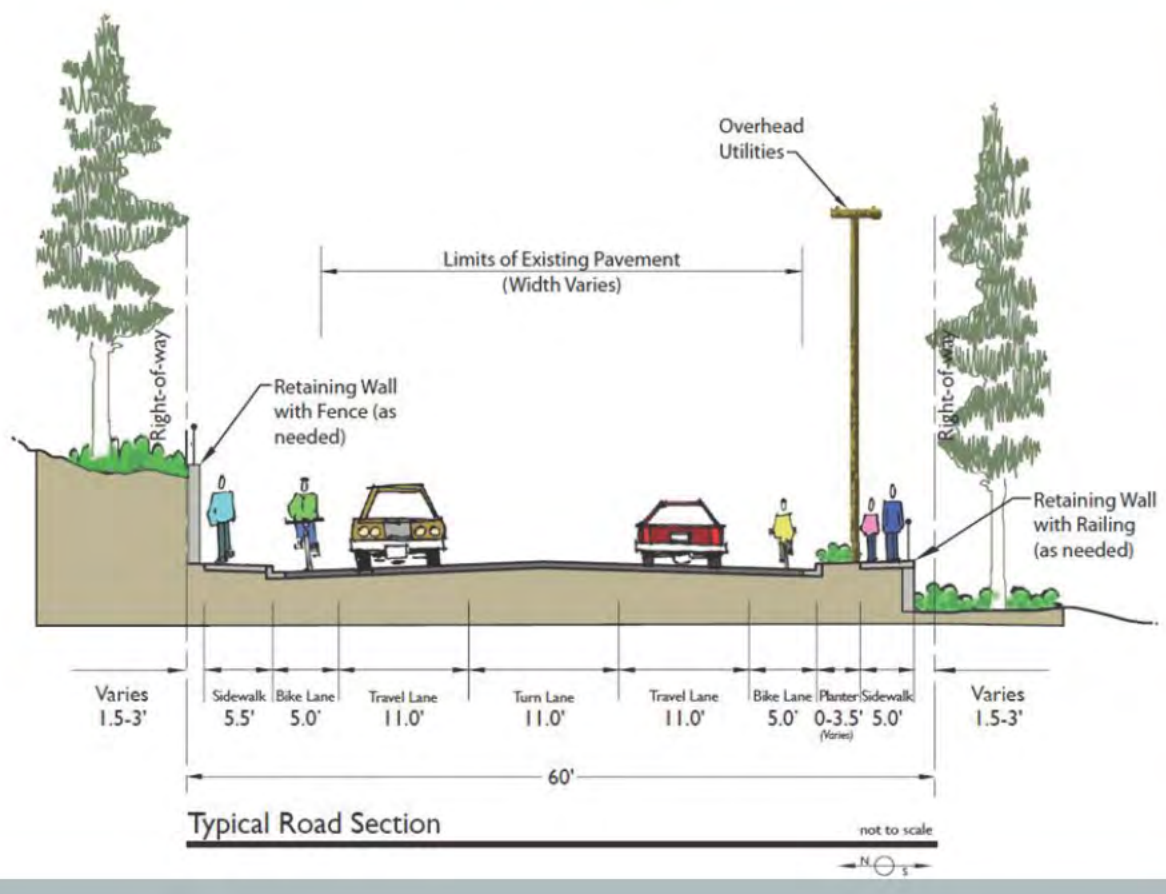
- Grading the lawn for a better performance stage area
- Installation of electricity to the stage area (currently we use generators for music amplification)
- Lighting the pergola around the "gateway" section of the park
- Upgrading restroom facilities

Construction will begin early in 2014 in order to be completed before the 2014 Celebrate Woodinville concerts and festival. The finished upgrades will allow a more enjoyable experience to park, trail users, and provide needed enhancements that aid future Park events.

Wilmot Gateway Park is located at 17301 131st Avenue NE, Woodinville.
To learn about the park, visit the City's website at www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/Play/CityParks.asp.

Construction Update: Woodinville-Duvall Road Widening Project

Council Selected Roadway Section



The Woodinville-Duvall Road Widening Project widens approximately 1.1 miles of NE Woodinville-Duvall Road from 156th Avenue NE to the eastern City limits at 171st Place NE. The approved design provides a three-lane configuration that allows for a center turn lane, bike lanes, and improved sidewalks, drainage improvements, street lighting, landscaping, and new traffic signals. Design of this project started in 2009 with the primary purpose to relieve traffic congestion and improve safety for the users of this section of the roadway.

This summer, work began to relocate the utilities along the roadway in the project area; this work was completed in October. The next step is to obtain the required project permits, which will allow the project to be put out for construction bids late this year.

Construction will begin in the spring of 2014, with a tentative completion date set for November 2014. Funding for the project comes from a Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Grant, a Federal Grant, and City funds. For project updates, visit our website at www.ci.woodinville.wa.us.

Are you Prepared for an Emergency?

Disasters can strike anytime, so it is important to have a plan and be prepared. Emergency responders and resources will most likely be overwhelmed during the first 72 hours of an emergency, and possibly longer depending on the severity of the disaster. Planning early can help you and your family be in control of the situation when disaster strikes. Here are a few tips to get you started being prepared:

- Establish a disaster supply kit and remember to replace food and water every six months.
- Get a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio
- Identify the types of disasters that are most likely to occur in your community (include human caused & technological disasters). Start with severe weather, fire, earthquakes, etc.
- Review your insurance policies to ensure that you have adequate coverage for the disasters that are likely in your area.
- Develop an emergency communication plan.
- Plan several escape routes from your home.
- Plan how to take care of your pets.
- Meet with your family and develop a Family Disaster Plan. Keep in mind that disasters are extremely stressful situations that create confusion, so the best plans are those with very few details.
- In emergencies, cell phone networks can become congested easily. Texts use far less bandwidth. Use texting instead of your cell phone to let immediate family members know you're OK.
- Ask an out-of-town relative or friend to be a family contact. It is often easier to make long distance calls then local calls after a disaster.
- Teach all responsible family members how and when to turn off the water, gas, and electricity at the main switches or valves.
- Make two photocopies of vital documents and keep the originals in a safe deposit box. Keep one copy in your home and one copy safe with a friend or family member outside of your city.

For more information on disaster preparedness or making a preparedness plan visit the American Red Cross website at http://www.redcross.org/prepare. Here are a few other websites that have information on emergency preparedness:

http://www.ready.gov/be-informed
http://www.disastercenter.com/guide/family.htm
http://www.weather.gov/

Snow & Ice

View the Snow and Ice Removal Routes

The City has a Snow and Ice Removal Route Map, which guides most of our snow removal efforts. During snow events, the City will first plow priority emergency routes to ensure that essential services (police, fire, and emergency response services) can respond to calls. Then the crews move on to arterial roadways and routes to and from school when it is in session. Once emergency service routes, major and minor arterials, and routes to commercial services are clear, the city will begin clearing residential streets.

To view the Snow and Ice Removal Route Map visit the City's website,

www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/Images/Maps/Snow%20Plow%20Routes.pdf.

Help Streamline Snow and Ice Removal from City Streets

If there is a threat of snow or ice, please remove all cars, garbage cans, or recycling cans from the street. These obstacles delay snow removal crews, as they have to maneuver around the obstacles. In extreme cases, parked cars can create a barrier preventing a safe margin of room for the snowplow to operate. This may prevent or delay our plow operators from clearing your street.

Stay Safe this Holiday Season

The Holiday Season is a great time to enjoy with friends and family, but it can also be a time with increased criminal activity. Therefore, here are a few tips to keep you safe over the holidays.

When Shopping:

- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.
- Dress casually and comfortably.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry.
- Do not carry a purse or wallet, if possible.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert to your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Pay for purchases with a check or credit card when possible.
- Keep cash in your front pocket.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Keep a record of all of your credit card numbers in a safe place at home.
- Be extra careful if you do carry a wallet or purse. They are the prime targets of criminals in crowded shopping areas, transportation terminals, bus stops, on buses and other rapid transit.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages. It is important to have clear visibility and freedom of motion to avoid mishaps.
- Beware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

Children

- If possible, leave small children at home with a trusted babysitter.
- Teach your child to go to a store clerk and ask for help in case your child is separated from you.
- Teach children to stay close to you at all times while shopping.
- Never allow children to make unaccompanied trips to the restroom.
- Children should never be allowed to go to the car alone and they should never be left alone in the car.
- Teach children their full name, address and telephone number to give to police officers or mall security. Teach children to immediately inform you if a stranger is bothering them.

At Home

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.
- Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer.
- Leave a radio or television on so the house looks and sounds occupied.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows and doors of your home.

Strangers at Your Door

- Be aware that criminals sometimes pose as couriers delivering gifts.
- It is not uncommon for criminals to take advantage of the generosity of people during the holiday season by soliciting donations door-to-door for charitable causes although no charity is involved.
- Ask for their identification, and find out how the donated funds will be used. If you are not satisfied, do not donate.
- Donate to a recognized charitable organization.

For more helpful tips on how to prevent crime visit the Woodinville Police webpage at http://www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/Live/CrimePrevention.asp.

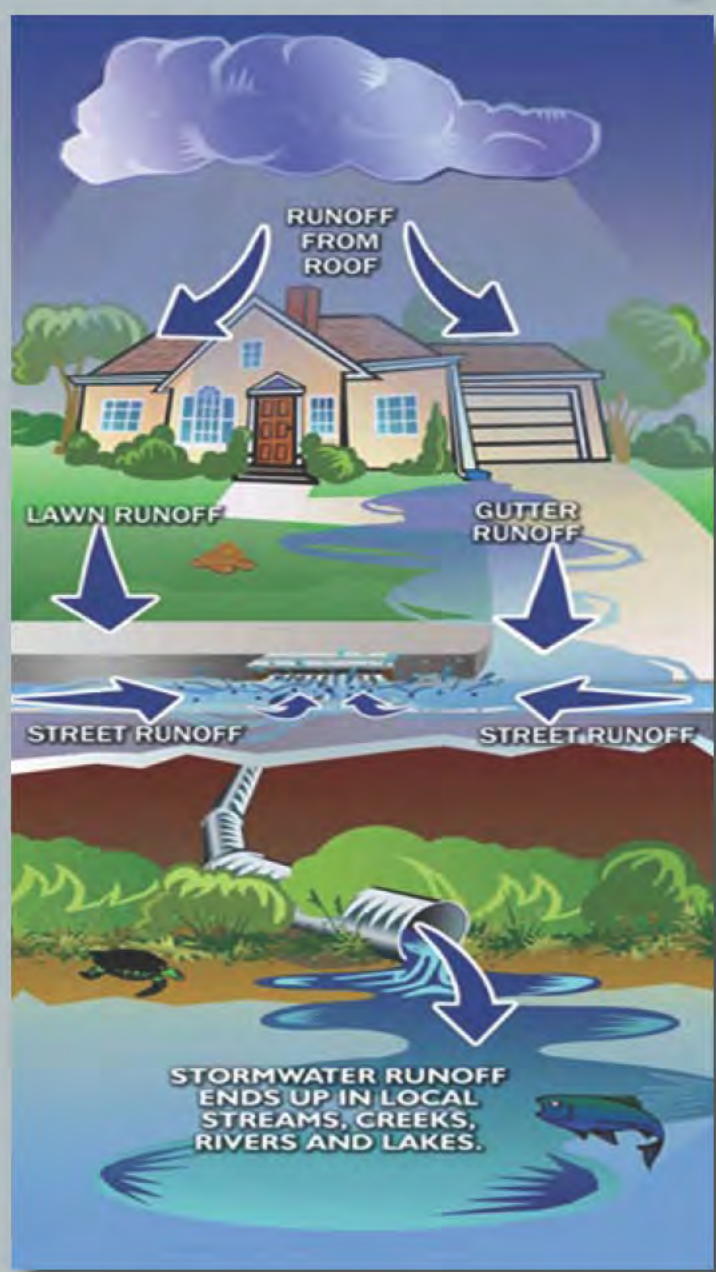
How to Help Minimize the Risk of Localized Flooding

As autumn weather brings falling leaves and colder weather, it can also bring an increase of urban flooding from clogged stormdrains. Stormdrains are the metal grates found along your street, often at corners and on the sides of curbs and gutters. They help to prevent flooding by draining rainwater and melted snow off streets and other paved surfaces.

Leaves, litter, and other debris can easily clog up a stormdrain, which may lead to minor or major flooding depending on the amount of water entering the system. There are several steps you can take to help keep leaves and debris out of the storm drain system:

- Keep your local stormdrain free of leaves, litter, other debris, especially when raining weather is forecasted.
- Do not rake leaves or other yard debris into the street or nearby ditch when cleaning up your yard.
- Do not dump trash or pollutants into stormdrains.
- Do not clean walkways with a hose. Sweep leaves, twigs, and other yard debris in a compost pile or yard waste container.
- Remember that the stormdrain goes straight into local waterways, so don't dump debris into the stormdrain you would not dump into your local stream or lake.

City workers spend extra time in the fall and winter sweeping streets to help keep stormdrains clear of debris, but you can do your part to ensure that your local stormdrain remains clear and free all season.



City Resource Guide

City of Woodinville
City Hall (Main Line) 425.489.2700
Development Services 425.489.2754

Fire and EMS
Woodinville Fire & Rescue 425.483.2131

Police
King County Emergency 911
King County Non-Emergency 206.296.3311

Health & Human Services
Hopelink (Food Bank) 425.869.6000
Public Health 1.800.325.6165
Washington Information Network 211
Washington Poison Control 1.800.222.1222

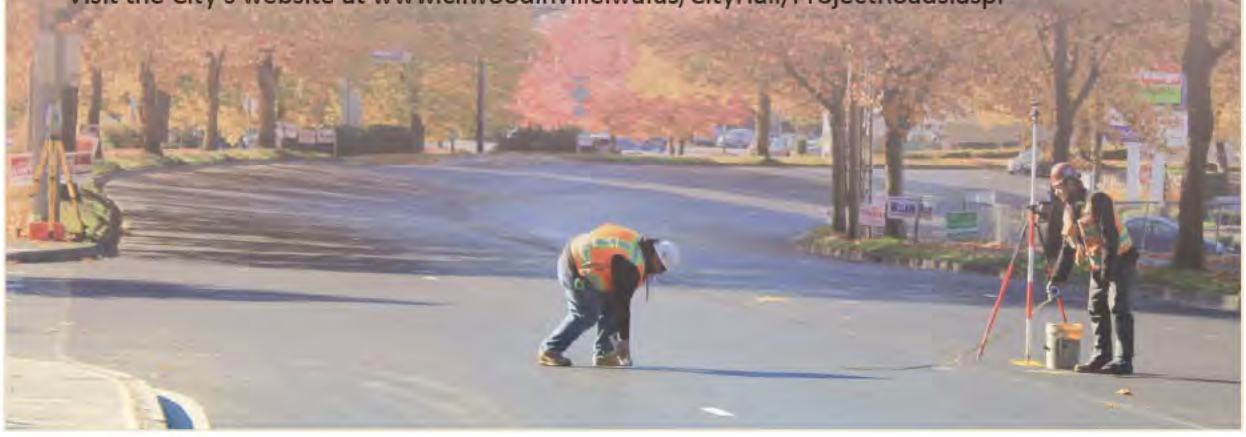
Roads, Transportation and Traffic
Travel Information 511
King County Roads 1.800.527.6237

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS
Sports Field Information 425.489.2700
King County Parks 206.296.8687
Northshore Family Center 425.205.2004
Northshore School District 425.408.6000
Northshore Senior Center 425.487.2441
Northshore YMCA 425.485.9797
Woodinville Senior Program 425.489.0707

WEB SITES
City of Woodinville ..... www.ci.woodinville.wa.us
Northshore Basketball ..... www.nybahoops.com
Northshore Comm. Svs. Directory ..... www.northshoreresources.org
Northshore School District ..... www.nsd.org
Northshore Senior Center ..... www.northshoreseniorcenter.org
Northshore Youth Soccer ..... www.northshoresoccer.org
Woodinville Farmers Market ... www.woodinvillefarmersmarket.com
Woodinville Heritage Society ..... http://woodinvilleheritage.org
Woodinville Jr. Football ..... www.gejfa.net
Woodinville Little League ..... www.wlbb.org

Woodinville-Duvall Road Repaving

The City is repaving Woodinville-Duvall Road from NE 140th Street to NE N. Woodinville Way. Construction began in October 2013 and is scheduled to be completed in November 2013. Visit the City's website at www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/CityHall/ProjectRoads.asp.



Woodinville City Council

Meetings are held at:
Woodinville City Hall Council Chambers
17301 133rd Avenue NE

Meetings are held on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesday of every Month at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are available online at www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/CityHallCouncil.asp

Televised Meetings are available on
Comcast cable channel 21
Frontier cable channel 41.

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