



# Comprehensive Plan Update Working Draft Part 1

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# THE PORTLAND PLAN

**THE COMPREHENSIVE  
PLAN UPDATE**

**LEGISLATIVE  
ADVOCACY**

**GOAL-BASED BUDGET  
PRIORITIES**

**INTERNAL CITY  
PRACTICES**

**PARTNERSHIPS AND  
COORDINATED ACTION**



# Portland's Comprehensive Plan

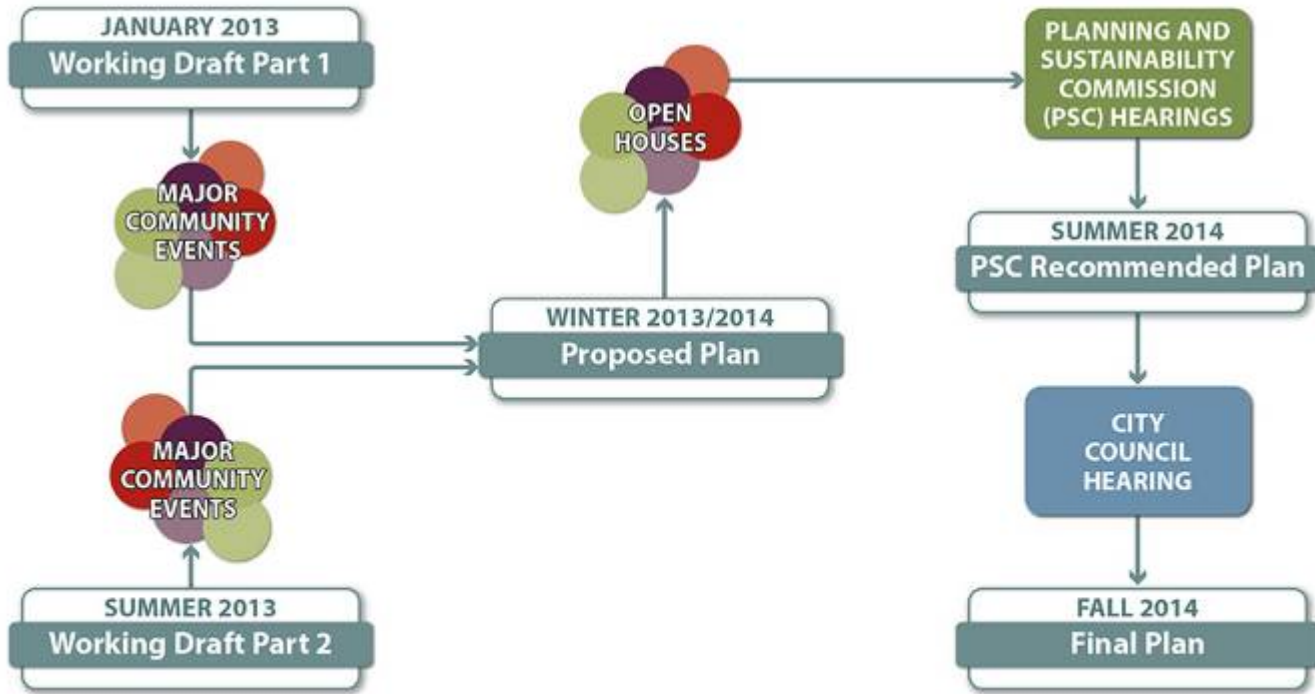
## A state-mandated long-range plan that helps us:

- prepare for and manage expected population and employment growth;
- plan for and coordinate major public investments; and
- guide decision-making on land use, transportation, parks, sewer and water systems, natural resources, and other topics.





## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE PROCESS SUMMARY



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# Working Draft Part 1

## COMPANION GUIDE

to the Comprehensive Plan Working Draft Part 1

*This Companion Guide is designed to help you navigate through the Working Draft Part 1 of the Comprehensive Plan. It introduces the main ideas of the plan, and provides a place to jot down notes and comments as you review the draft.*



### Vision

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Portland's Comprehensive Plan Update  
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[www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/pdxcompplan](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/pdxcompplan)



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## CITY OF PORTLAND Comprehensive Plan

Prosperous | Educated | Healthy | Equitable | Resilient

## Working Draft

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# Introduction

- Introduction to the Comprehensive Plan Update
- Major trends
- Key directions



# Invest to reduce disparities



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# Promote inclusive public process



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# Support youth success



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# Build a resilient economy



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# Create complete neighborhoods



# Connect people and places



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# Designing with nature



# Respond to local context



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# Section I. Vision and Integrated Goals

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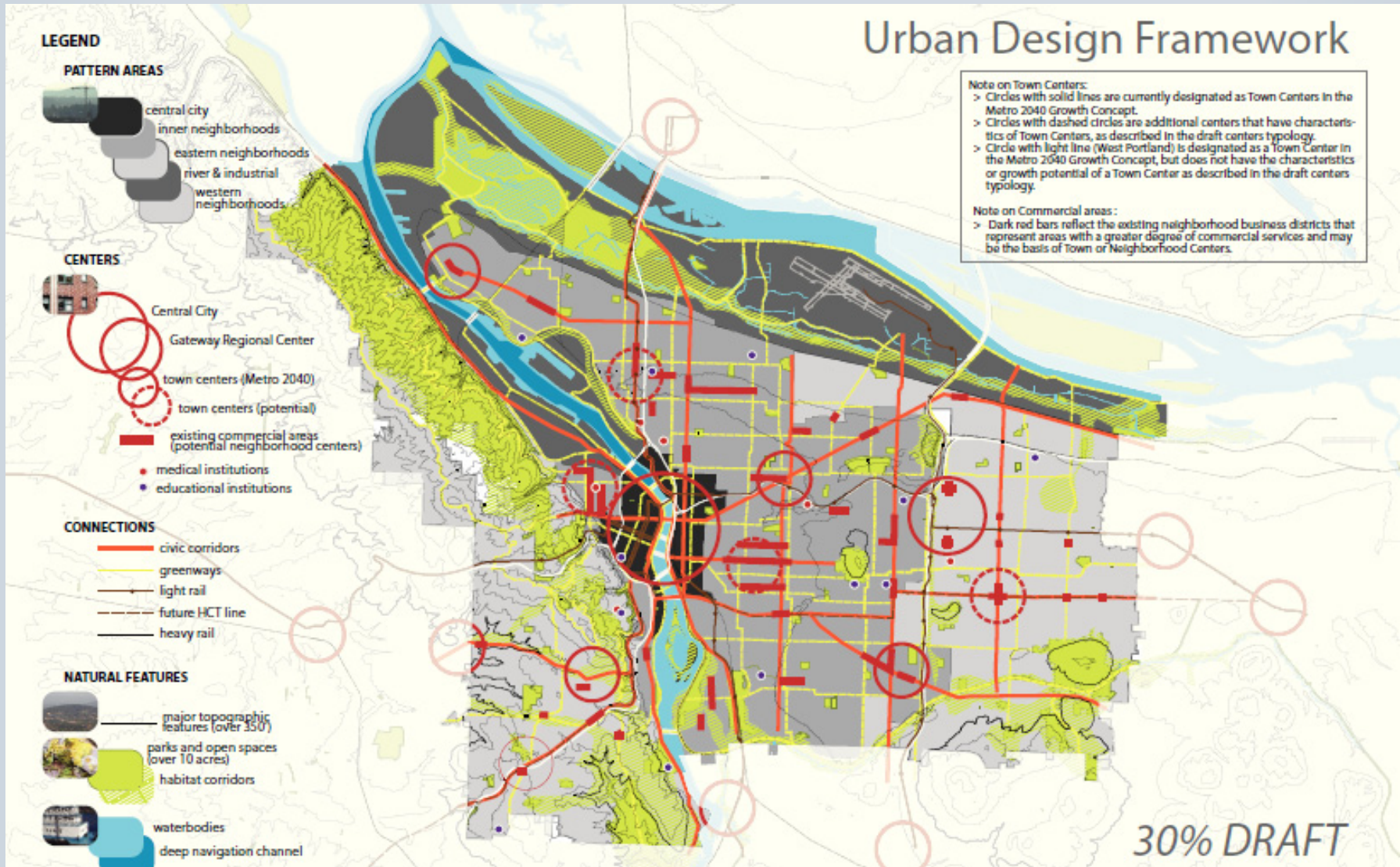
# Section I. Vision and Integrated Goals

## Integrated Goals

1. Equity
2. Prosperity
3. Education
4. Human Health
5. Environmental Health
6. Resilience



# Section II. Urban Design Framework



# Section III. Goals and Policies

## Chapters

1. Community Involvement
2. Housing
3. Economic Development
4. Watershed Health and Environment
5. Urban Design and Development
6. Public Facilities and Services
7. Transportation
8. Administration and Implementation



# Section III. Goals and Policies

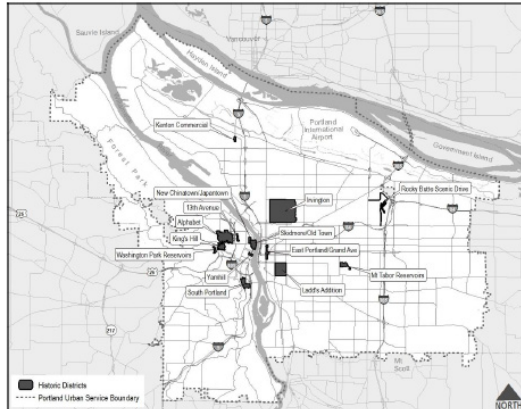
## Commentary

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#### Historic and cultural resources

Historic and cultural resources play a vital role in defining Portland's sense of place and the character of its neighborhoods, and they are relevant to several policy areas, including urban design and development, neighborhood character/vitality, accommodating density, arts and culture, sustainability, and economic development. Since the Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 1980, the number of designated historic resources has grown from 200 historic landmarks and two small historic districts to more than 670 individual historic landmarks, 14 historic districts, and six conservation districts. More than 60 percent of the city's buildings are at least 50 years old, creating a vast pool of potentially significant properties.

#### Portland's historic districts



Policy 5.35. Historic and cultural resource protection, provides the basis for preservation strategy and priorities. This policy incorporates and updates existing Comprehensive Plan Policies 3.4 and 12.3, to include new priorities and a broader view of historic and cultural resources. It also incorporates changes in state law and generally provides more guidance. It reflects the Portland Plan's Guiding Policies H-7, H-20, and H-30, as well as Action 112.

## Goals & Policies

### SECTION III: GOALS AND POLICIES

#### Historic and cultural resources

**Policy 5.35 Historic and cultural resource protection.** Protect and restore old and historic buildings and places that contribute to the distinctive character and history of Portland's evolving urban environment.

5.35 a. Consider the distinctive characteristics and history of Portland's neighborhoods when making decisions regarding growth, urban design, and the design of public improvements.

5.35 b. Encourage development that fills in vacant and underutilized gaps while preserving and complementing historic resources.

5.35 c. Protect, restore, and improve historic buildings along Civic Corridors to enhance the pedestrian realm and create a unique sense of place and neighborhood identity.

5.35 d. Protect potentially significant historic structures from demolition until the City can determine the significance of the structure and explore alternatives to demolition.

5.35 e. Maintain active stewardship of City-owned historic resources.

5.35 f. Encourage historic preservation in areas that are underrepresented by historic preservation efforts and programs.

5.35 g. Coordinate with Portland's diverse communities to identify and preserve places of historic and cultural significance.

# Next Steps

- Publication of the Alternative Scenarios Report

## Public discussion and feedback

- Public workshops throughout the city
- Ongoing community involvement (including PEGs)
- District-level outreach and conversations
- Online comments
- Comments on Part 1 appreciated by May 1<sup>st</sup>

Part 2 coming Summer 2013



# Workshops

Seven workshops, February 19 to March 14



General  
Session

## Breakout Sessions

*Tentative topics:*

- Investments
- Designing with Nature
- Healthy Economy and Environment
- Transportation
- Pattern Areas
- Centers
- Growth Scenarios Report





# Questions? Comments?



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