

## 1.2 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### 1.2.1 Vision

The *Near Northwest Area Plan* is an all-inclusive plan that covers four broad topics: Land Use and Built Form, Housing and Economy, Mobility, and Quality of Life Infrastructure. Each of these categories provides detailed recommendations for the improvement of various aspects of the neighborhoods based on community need and input. The goals below were identified early in the process to help guide community conversations and recommendations. These goals address and bring together recommendations from multiple plan topics to provide holistic solutions for the community. Community input helped prioritize these goals with the top-ranked goals representing the highest priority to address in Near Northwest (see the next page for more detail). Priority recommendations, including details for neighborhood priorities, are addressed in Sections 6 and 7.

**1. Support wealth building and access to housing.**

Support long-term wealth-building and ensure access to a variety of affordable, high quality housing options.

**2. Support health and wellbeing.** Improve environmental conditions and ensure everyone has access to the resources they need to be healthy, safe, and feel a sense of belonging in the community.

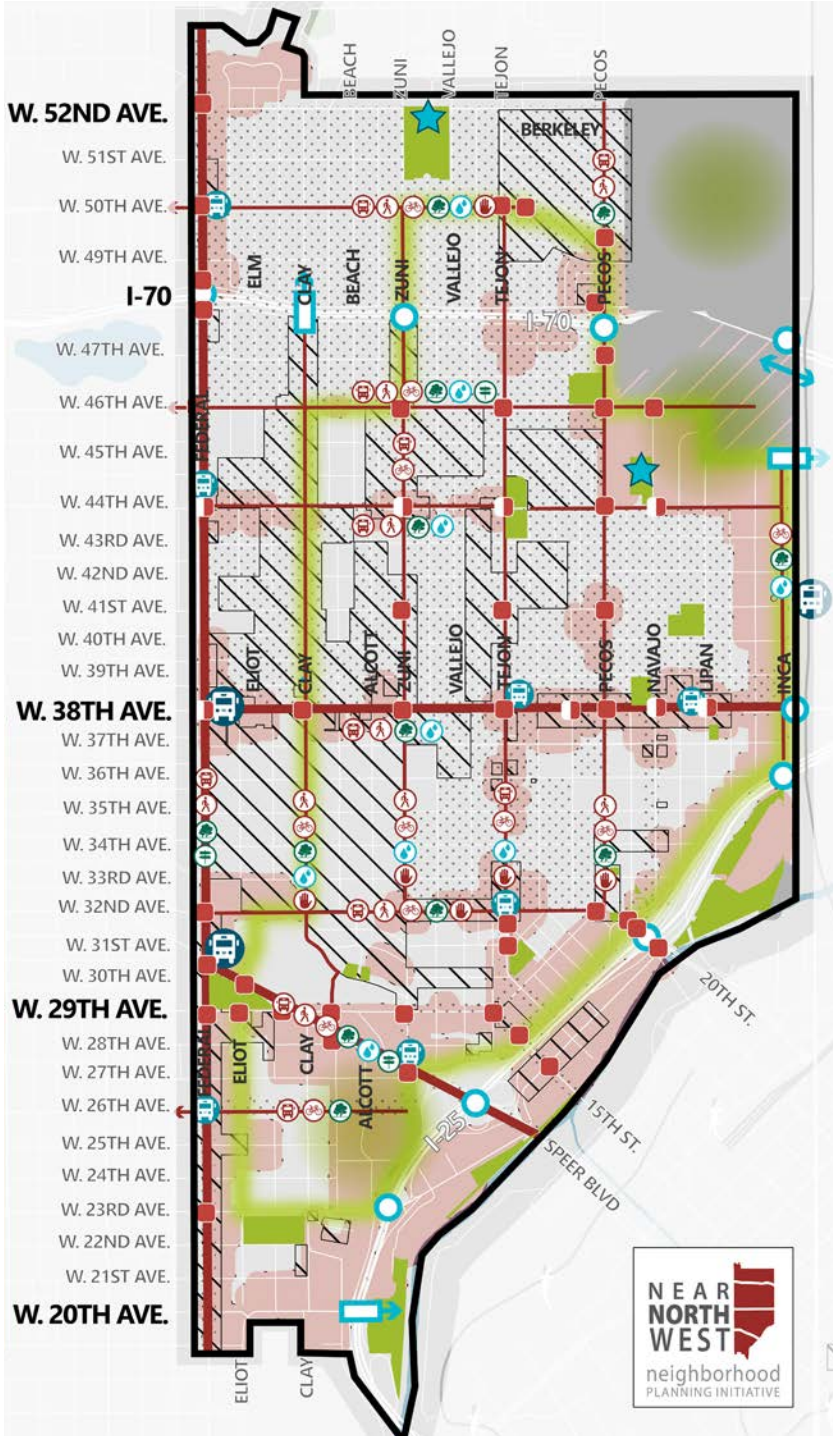
**3. Improve multi-modal options and safety.** Make it safer, more convenient, and more comfortable to get around the neighborhoods.

**4. Grow businesses and jobs.** Support neighborhood businesses, attract new goods and services, and connect people to jobs and education.

**5. Nurture great places.** Nurture great places by preserving and celebrating the history and diverse cultures of the Northside while creating new, well-designed places.

## RELEVANT RECOMMENDATIONS

	Land Use and Built Form	Housing and Economy	Mobility	Quality of Life Infrastructure
<b>Support wealth building and access to housing</b>	L7: Pursue preservation policies for potentially historic areas L8: Encourage retaining existing older homes L9: Ensure new housing and additions are compatible L10: Expand missing middle housing	H1: Prioritize new affordable housing H2: Preserve existing affordability H3: Prevent housing displacement H12 & 13: Preserve and connect jobs to residents		
<b>Support health and wellbeing</b>	L2: Elevate design within centers and corridors L4: Preserve and celebrate places with cultural ties	H4: Support for residents experiencing homelessness H5-6: Increase access to resources and expand services H7: Expand healthcare, childcare, and other public health facilities	M17: New bikeway infrastructure M23: Improve access to trails	Q5: New park space Q7: Enhance existing parks and rec facilities Q8: Create green streets Q12-16 Improve food access
<b>Improve multi-modal options and safety</b>			M1-M4: Create bold changes to major corridors M5-M15: Create bold changes to balanced corridors M16: Traffic Calming M21: Intersection Improvement	Q5: Enhance parkways Q8: Create green streets
<b>Grow businesses and jobs</b>	L3: Ensure future space for businesses L5: Re-use older, existing buildings L6: Preserve former streetcar areas	H8: Provide resources to small business H9: Prevent business displacement H10: Attract new businesses H11: Maintain local and culturally significant businesses		Q8: Create green streets
<b>Nurture great places</b>	L2: Elevate design within centers and corridors L4: Preserve and celebrate places with cultural ties L5: Re-use older, existing buildings L6: Preserve former streetcar area L7: Pursue preservation policies for potentially historic areas L9: Ensure new housing and additions are compatible	H11: Maintain local and culturally significant businesses		Q1: Celebrate history in unique and educational ways



### LEGEND

**Support Wealth Building and Access to Housing**

- Missing Middle Strategies

**Nurture Great Places & Grow Businesses and Jobs**

- Higher and Medium Intensity Areas
- Industrial Intensity Areas
- Industrial Transition Areas
- Existing and Potential Historic Areas

**Improve Multi-Modal Options and Safety**

- Balanced Corridor
- Transit Priority
- Pedestrian Priority
- Bike Priority
- Tree Canopy Priority
- Water Quality Priority
- Traffic Calming Priority
- Parkway Priority
- Future Connection (Exact Location TBD)
- Improved Overpass/Underpass
- Approved future 47th Ave Bridge
- Proposed Regional Mobility Hub
- Proposed Local Mobility Hub
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Intersection Improvement
- Pedestrian Intersection Improvement

**Support Health and Wellbeing**

- Existing Parks
- New Community Parks
- NNW Connectivity Loop
- New or Improved Rec Center

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## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

When asked to choose which plan goal should be prioritized, the most chosen goal was “Supporting wealth-building and access to housing.” This was ranked as a top priority across all neighborhoods, reinforcing the importance of and desire from the community to increase wealth-building opportunities and access to quality, affordable housing.

### Plan goal that should be prioritized

Supporting wealth-building and access to housing	<b>38%</b>
Supporting health and well-being	<b>24%</b>
Improving multi-modal options and safety	<b>18%</b>
Growing businesses and jobs	<b>12%</b>
Nurturing great places	<b>8%</b>

Source: 2023 Near Northwest Surveys