



CITY OF DES MOINES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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PREFACE

This document provides policy guidance regarding land use and related matters for the area known as the City of Des Moines (Figure 1-1). The Washington State Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A) requires that Des Moines prepare and adopt a 20-year land use plan. This document is consistent with the Growth Management Act, the King County Countywide Planning Policies, and the plans of adjacent/affected jurisdictions.

As an expression of the intent, vision, and values of the City of Des Moines, the contents of the City of Des Moines Comprehensive Plan should guide the decisions of elected officials, appointed officials, city staff, property owners, consultants, and the providers of public services.

As required by the Growth Management Act, development regulations must be consistent with the contents of the Plan. While this document provides policy direction, specific regulations are contained within the Des Moines Municipal Code, or the regulations of other agencies with jurisdiction.

Comprehensive Plan Legislative History

Ordinance No. 1128	Adopting revisions to the Conservation Element	4/95
Ordinance No. 1131	Adopting a Housing Element	5/95
Ordinance No. 1160	Adopting the Comprehensive Plan	12/95
Ordinance No. 1176	Adding the Woodmont Redondo Community	12/96
Ordinance No. 1204	Mandates from the Hearings Board	12/97
Ordinance No. 1220	Mandates from the Hearings Board	10/98
Ordinance No. 1238	Map Changes	5/99
Ordinance No. 1265	Adopting the Pacific Ridge Neighborhood Element	7/00
Ordinance No. 1332	Amending the Parks Element	12/03
Ordinance No. 1376	Amending the City of Des Moines Comprehensive Plan	01/06
Ordinance No. 1425	Amending the land use map and Environmental Element	01/08
Ordinance No. 1469	Amending the land use map and Chapter 2 Land Use Element, Chapter 3 Transportation Element, Chapter 5 Capital Facilities Element, Chapter 6 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Element, Chapter 10 Downtown Element and Chapter 11 Pacific Ridge Element	11/09
Ordinance No. 1499	Amending Chapter 1 General Planning Element, Chapter 2 Land Use Element, Chapter 3 Transportation Element, Chapter 4 Conservation Element, Chapter 5 Capital Facilities Element, Chapter 6 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Element, Chapter 7 Housing Element, Chapter 10 Marina District Element and Chapter 11 Pacific Ridge Element	11/10
Ordinance No. 1528	Amending the land use map and Chapter 2 Land Use Element	12/11
Ordinance No. 1532	Amending Ordinance No. 1528, thereby amending Chapter 2 Land Use Element, Chapter 3 Transportation Element, Chapter 6 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Element, and Chapter 7 Housing Element, and adding a new element entitled “Chapter 12 Healthy Des Moines Element”	01/12