

Let's Grow A Greener Seattle

A Greener, Denser, More Livable City

Green
Neighborhoods
Coalition

Seattle can add more housing without losing the parks, trees, greenways, and community that make the city livable. Green investment without displacement protection has historically pushed out the communities who fought hardest for it. Seattle must plan both together.

The Green Neighborhoods Coalition is calling on City leaders to ensure the City's once-a-decade Comprehensive Plan delivers smarter planning, alongside "taller, denser, faster" growth. We need a plan that increases housing while protecting trees and expanding parks. Seattle must invest in the public spaces and infrastructure neighborhoods need to support growth, and making that growth more climate resilient.

This has been done before. From Othello to Northgate, communities across Seattle now benefit from greater housing density, better transit access, open spaces, and public amenities because growth was shaped through real neighborhood engagement and community buy-in.

These neighborhoods gained density, transit, and amenities. Too many longtime residents were displaced before they could benefit. The next plan must deliver both the gains and the ability to stay.

What's at stake *without proper planning*

- **Losing trees and neighborhood green space** that are necessary to livability and sustainability
- **Missing the chance to expand public open space** while putting more pressure on already overstretched parks
- **Underfunded infrastructure** needed to support growth and strengthen climate resilience
- **Weaker environmental protections**
- **Less community voice** in decisions that will shape Seattle for decades
- **Too few affordability and anti-displacement strategies** to help longtime residents stay in the communities they've built

Six Principles

01 Get Seattle's future right. Major changes deserve a deliberate, transparent process.

02 Protect trees & expand parks & greenways. Green space is essential infrastructure.

03 Demand housing and green space together. Seattle should grow greener as it grows denser.

04 Put climate resilience at the center. Trees, parks, stormwater, and open space must be built into the growth strategy.

05 Give communities a real voice. Residents deserve a meaningful role in decisions that reshape their neighborhoods.

06 Growth without displacing. Every green investment proposal must include a binding displacement impact analysis and a community-approved mitigation plan.

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The Green Neighborhoods Coalition brings together Seattle parks, tree canopy, environmental, housing, and neighborhood advocates.