



**White Salmon Special Joint City Council & Planning Commission
Meeting**

A G E N D A

October 14, 2019 – 5:30 PM

220 NE Church Ave, White Salmon, WA 98672

Call to Order/Roll Call

Discussion Items

- [1.](#) City of White Salmon Comprehensive Plan Visioning

Adjournment

Item Attachment Documents:

1. City of White Salmon Comprehensive Plan Visioning

White Salmon Comprehensive Plan Update
Draft 2040 Vision Statement
October 8, 2019

In 2040, White Salmon is a thriving village bounded by mountains and rivers. Situated in the heart of the majestic Columbia River Gorge, a caring and livable community affords residents and visitors access to explore the surrounding natural beauty. The city offers small streets and pedestrian paths that allow residents to walk to a variety of destinations, interact regularly with neighbors, and support local businesses. White Salmon is intentional about growth and encourages a variety of homes that contribute to the community's quality and authentic character.

Housing + Land Use

The built environment in White Salmon is integrated with the beauty of its setting. Natural features and views from the bluff to the Columbia River and Mt. Hood are central to the city's sense of place. Strong neighborhoods surround the historic business district along Jewett Boulevard. A diverse stock of high quality and attractive homes with access to parks and trails serve the full range of ages, incomes, and households. Newer, mixed use neighborhoods accommodate future growth. Thoughtful development builds upon the city's historical character to provide a mix of uses that complement downtown and maintain the city's walkable character.

Transportation

The transportation system reflects the City's desire to develop at a human scale. Sidewalks, pedestrian trails and bike paths conveniently connect residents to businesses, schools and other neighborhood destinations. An integrated network of wider, centrally located roads and narrow shared residential roadways provide connections within and among neighborhoods, and safely accommodates all users. Public and private transportation options connect residents to regional destinations.

Facilities and Capital Improvement Plans

Quality public facilities, services, and utilities contribute to a high quality of life. Residents value planning for public facilities to ensure they are "right sized" to manage growth responsibly. The library and schools play a central role in community gathering and learning and are well planned and maintained to accommodate current and future residents.

Parks and Recreation

Surrounded by natural and scenic beauty, White Salmon is at the center of a recreational wonderland. Residents enjoy a variety of parks, green spaces, trails and facilities. A network of neighborhood parks and playgrounds provide daily access for residents to play. Sports fields, specialty parks and a community center promote community gathering and outdoor exercise. Natural areas provide wildlife habitat, enhance local ecosystems and offer opportunities for hiking, mountain biking and kayaking. The Columbia Riverfront is especially valued as a precious and defining recreational asset. The city's abundant tree canopy contributes to the community's health and frames our views of Mt. Hood.

General	Vision	Housing + Land Use	Transportation	Facilities and Capital Improvement Plans	Parks and Recreation
Seems to reflect present and not future	Don't like use of the word "small". The physical area of the community limited in its size potential, hemmed in naturally by rivers (White Salmon and Columbia) and mountains and artificially by various land use laws and regulations. To call its character small could be taken as a simple minded. Talk about progressive thinking. Village, not just community.	"Provides" does not link past actions with the future. Say, continues to provide for...		In second sentence, does "White Salmon" refer to the physical city or its residents? Use the word residents.	Delete hospital hill and white salmon river too specific. Add hiking and substitute "and" for "or"
Contradictory view for commercial district. Is it local-serving or does it also cater to tourists.	Talk about natural boundaries separate from views and recreation	Access to green space as we grow and develop		Does "they" reference values or facilities? Neither values nor facilities manage facilities. Facilities are a result of management.	Manage or guide growth
Missing emotional connection	The city/village offers small streets...			Not sure how schools and library fit into city comprehensive plan. Not directly in city's purview except health and safety.	Bike park limits the possibility of future bike parks or other specialty parks
We take care of each other - people, activities, history	2,200 acres				What is new? Seems like list of what we have now.
	Not "modest". Assertive, focused, intelligent, well-planned, intentional, productive				Spoke park
	Housing for all				Remove hospital hill
					Riverfront park, columbia
					Seems wordy
					Habitat and wild
					We are dedicated to planning in a way that preserves habitat that preserves nature for future generations.
					the Columbia River frontage is one of our most precious assets. Preserve and protect riverfront for people and recreation. Preserve parts in its natural state. Provide a swimming beach and jogging path. Riverfront Commercial zoning can co-exist with natural shoreline and recreational areas.

					We need places that are allowed to stay natural and preserve flora and fauna, including at the Columbia Riverfront.
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