

**CITY OF SULTAN**

**STRATEGIC PLAN  
AND VISION**

**2021**

# AGENDA

1. Review Process
2. Recommendations
  - Create a sense of place
  - Make small, visible investments
  - Invest now for the long-term
3. Specific Project Options
4. Questions



# PROJECT PROCESS

How can the City of Sultan **strategically revitalize its downtown to sustainably** attract Sky Valley consumers and businesses to meet the **changing needs** of the community?

### **Literature Review**

50+ articles, plans, regional and state guidance

### **Peer City Interviews**

8 cities across King and Snohomish counties

### **Community Survey**

440 responses, 79% from Sultan

### **Focus Group Conversations**

4 conversations, 40 participants

# RECOMMENDATIONS

# GOAL #1: CREATE A SENSE OF PLACE ON MAIN STREET

1. Develop and adopt downtown design guidelines
1. Implement facade improvement program
1. Build bike paths and increase walkability, prioritize alternative route from Sultan Basin Road
1. Create an illumination plan

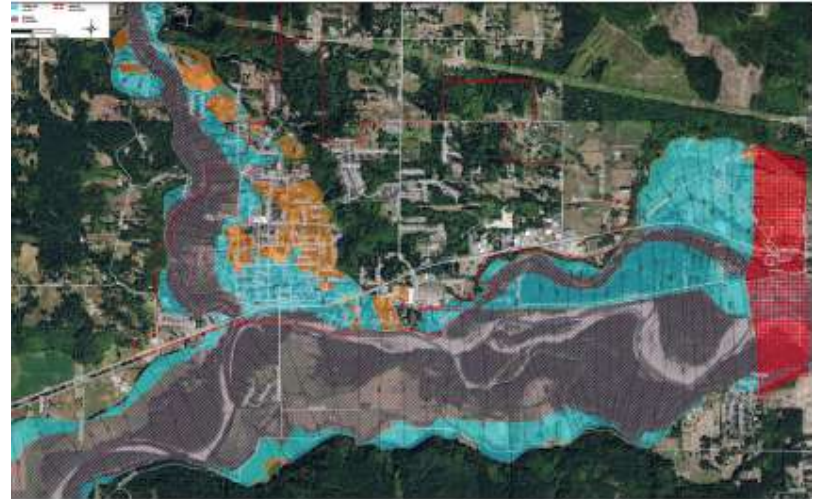
## GOAL #2: MAKE SMALL, VISIBLE, IMMEDIATE INVESTMENTS

1. Work with Storefront Studio in Spring 2022
2. Identify five projects to accomplish in five years, including wayfinding signs
3. Activate the space
4. Shift resources to communication



# GOAL #3: INVEST NOW FOR THE LONG-TERM

1. Prioritize flooding solutions
1. Explore tax increment financing
1. Revise city code to a form-based code
1. Purchase property for future development





# **SPECIFIC PROJECT OPTIONS**

## Dream a little...

1. Re-do retail facades
2. Design guidelines
3. City theme
4. Coffee shop
5. Holding other social events

Install lights and develop  
High Street Trail

## Dream a little more...

1. Incentivize businesses to move to Sultan
2. Lighting
3. Alternative route from Sultan Basin (including bike/walking)
4. Outdoor dining
5. Diminishing vacancies

Wayfinding Signs

## Dream big

1. Bike paths and increased walkability
2. Community center
3. Splash pad
4. Bigger grocery store
5. Better parking (including handicap)

Increase and develop  
riverfront access

**QUESTIONS?**