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Shelton: Downtown Vision Plan Results Released



The results for revitalizing the historic Shelton downtown area have been published by Steve Goins, Shelton's Community Development Director. Goins thanked those who took the time to be part of this fun, rewarding, and soon to be groundbreaking plan: Green Diamond Resources, the Shelton-Mason County Chamber of Commerce and business members of the community. The link to the final plan is [HERE](#).

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Roundabouts take some getting used to, and I didn't think I'd like them, but they actually work well in Lacey & can work here too. They help keep traffic flowing & this one can be a nice entrance to our downtown.

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Pacnwster 2015-10-07 16:15

Please, not a round about at 10th and Railroad. They simply don't work and are confusing. And why there?

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Jason 2015-10-07 10:28

This type of effort was done to Sumner, Downtown Puyallup in the early 2000's. It is a big growth opportunity. It beautifies the downtown area and makes it an attractive spot to enjoy a meal or down time. It has allowed for growth and the area has seen residual growth that it now has the ability to host events and summer markets. Lets make this happen

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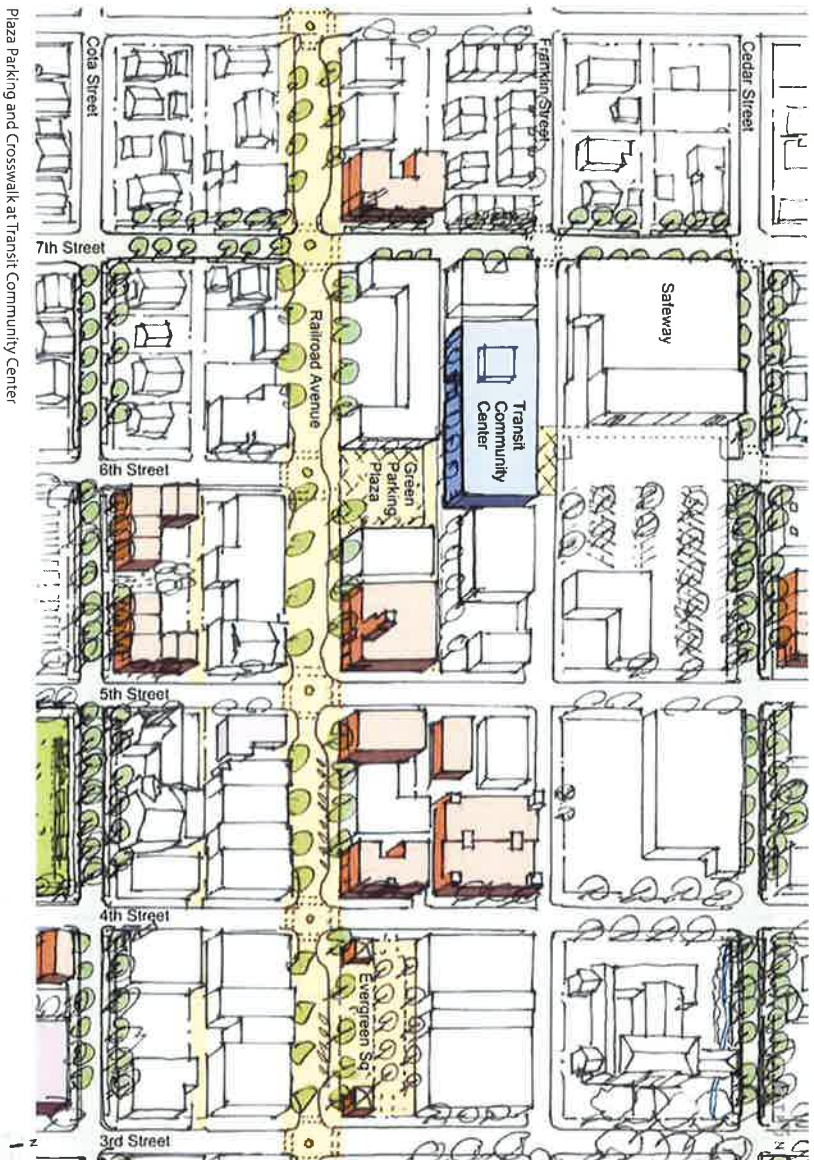
Downtown Vision Plan

Transit & Community Center Improvements

The new Transit Community Center is celebrated in the Vision Plan with connections to north and south adjacent parcels. A new raised table crosswalk across Franklin Street to Sawley allows for safer crossing at this busy bus street. And the alley behind the Shelton Inn is shown as an improved alley, better connecting the Transit Center to Railroad Avenue. The current building pictured below (previously an optometrist's office and currently owned by the Transit Center) is envisioned as demolished and its lot converted into a flexible grasscrete parking lot that could accommodate evening movies or other flexible uses such as the farmers market. Grasscrete is a cast-in-place concrete product that has a pattern of voids filled with stone or grassed soil that allows water to pass through the concrete. It creates a sustainable park-like quality while also supporting cars. The final design should incorporate low-impact stormwater features, pedestrian amenities as well as the necessary utility and service elements, such as enclosures for trash and recycling containers, within the improved alley.



Looking Towards Existing Transit Community Center from Railroad Avenue



Plaza Parking and Crosswalk at Transit Community Center