



# I. INTRODUCTION

Streetscape with townhomes in the Village at Union Mills

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Under the State Growth Management Act, every Comprehensive Land Use Plan must have a housing element. The Growth Management Act states: “Each comprehensive plan shall include a plan, scheme, or design for each of the following: ...(2) housing element recognizing the vitality and character of established residential neighborhoods that: (a) includes an inventory and analysis of existing and projected housing needs; (b) includes a statement of goals, policies, and objectives for the preservation, improvement, and development of housing; (c) identifies sufficient land for housing including, but not limited to, government-assisted housing, housing for low-income families, manufactured housing, multifamily housing, and group homes and foster care facilities; and (d) makes adequate provisions for existing and projected needs of all economic segments of the community...”

This housing element is organized into multiple sections covering the above described tasks. There is a section providing a profile of Lacey’s housing, vacant lands analysis, needs assessment, and affordable housing. Another section discusses the inter-relatedness of the housing element with other planning elements. Additionally, two general sections are provided identifying general and affordable housing issues, goals and policies that apply City wide. Finally, separate sections have been written for each of the City’s individual planning areas, identifying specific housing attributes of these areas along with related community and neighborhood issues and goals.

It is the intent of this housing element to satisfy all of the requirements of the State Growth Management Act and accomplish the planning necessary for providing housing needs for all persons in Lacey’s growth area.

This housing element was prepared through a joint planning process between the City of Lacey and Thurston County. This element applies to

all areas incorporated or unincorporated within Lacey’s designated urban growth area.