

# Civic Neighborhood Vision

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The vision conveys how Civic Neighborhood will look and feel in the future. It is inspired by the neighborhood's existing advantages and opportunities as well as the interests and ideas of the community.

"Gresham's Civic Neighborhood is a distinctively urban mixture of uses and people. Inviting, tree-lined streets lead you past lively storefronts and high quality buildings with convenient places to live, work, and shop. The neighborhood's parks and plazas provide great places to gather, while its active transportation network provides easy access to regional trails, Downtown, surrounding neighborhoods, and the greater metro area."

## Expanded Vision

The following six general vision components, or neighborhood values, further describe the envisioned future of Civic.

### DESTINATIONS

**A place for employment, education, shopping, and entertainment:** Civic Neighborhood offers a range of options for employment, health care, and higher education. It has a great variety of shops to explore, large and small, with dining, family entertainment, and night life.

### DESIGN

**Well-designed buildings and places at a human scale:** Civic Neighborhood is characterized by a range of high quality businesses and buildings. The design of buildings is timeless, durable, and appealing, at a pedestrian scale and easily accessible. Sustainability is part of this design, with buildings, sites, and public spaces that integrate nature and environmental systems.

### PUBLIC SPACES

**Integrated public areas and green spaces:** Civic Neighborhood features accessible, fun, and welcome places to gather, play, and relax. Green spaces are interwoven throughout the neighborhood and can be seen along streets and sidewalks and in public parks, small plazas, and natural areas.

### CIVIC LIFE

**An urban neighborhood and community gathering place for all of Gresham:** Civic Neighborhood is a place to celebrate Gresham's most valuable asset: its people. As a true urban center the neighborhood has a range of public spaces and amenities that promote social connections and gathering, and offers places for local art and culture.

### CONNECTIONS

**Streets, trails, and transit stations that are connected and welcoming:** Civic Neighborhood provides safe environments and connections for all modes of travel, with welcoming streets and trails that are direct and easy to navigate within and around the neighborhood.

### HOUSING

**A convenient place to live, close to amenities:** Civic Neighborhood is a great place to call home. Nearby transit connections support a walkable, active community with proximity to jobs and education. Civic is family friendly, with proximity to a range of convenient amenities that are accessible to all ages. A range of housing options are located throughout the neighborhood.