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2018-MAR-20 Community Planning & Development Committee



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Purpose of the Area Plan

Area Plan

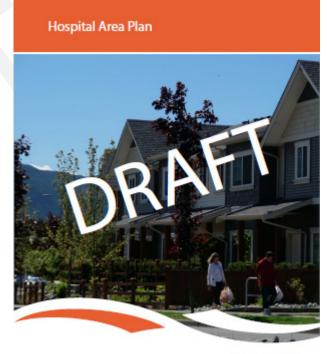
Plan prepared for a specific and defined subarea of the City which is adopted by bylaw, and forms part of the Official Community Plan (OCP). An area plan must fully meet the goals and policies of the OCP and compliment the vision, goals, objectives and policies established by the OCP.

OCP Hospital Urban Node Policy

An Area Plan will be developed for the Hospital Urban Node in consultation with area residents, business owners and stakeholders.

Hospital Urban Node Definition

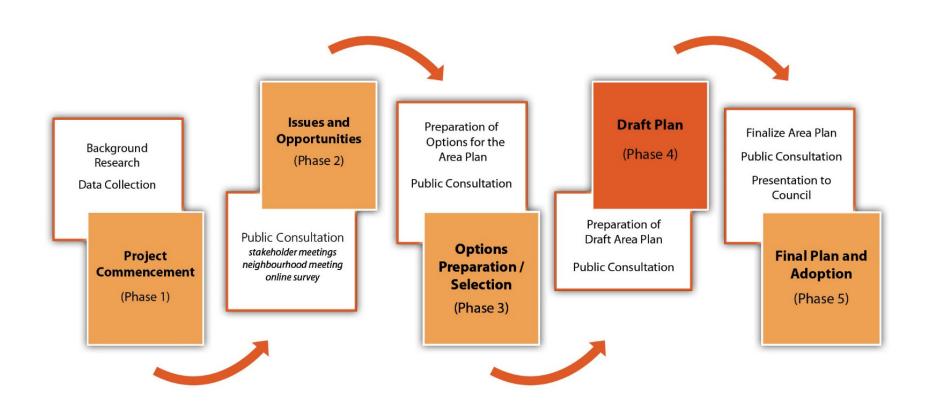
City-wide and regional centre for health services, seniors housing, professional offices and higher density residential.





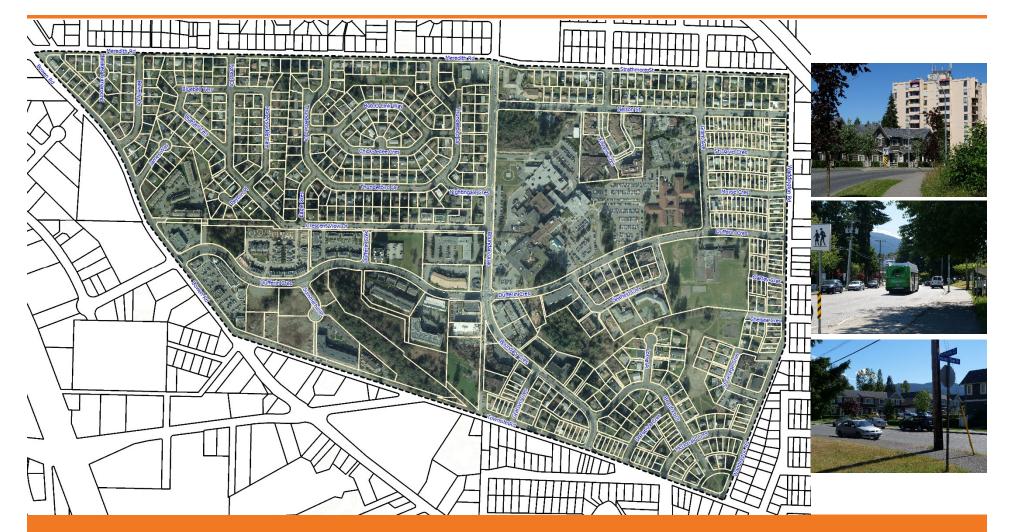


Process





Plan Area





OCP Map

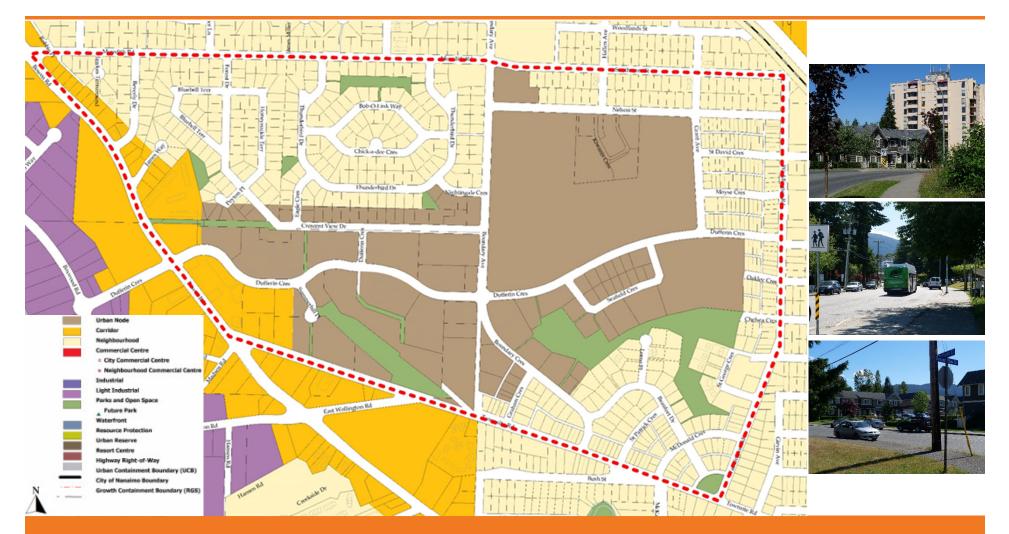






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Land Use Planning







Area Plan Guiding Principles

1. Ensure that the hospital area is a **safe community** for residents, employees, and visitors at all hours of the day.

2. Improve hospital area transportation and servicing infrastructure for the benefit of residents and daytime users.

3. Provide **connected**, **interesting**, **safe**, **inviting and green open space** within in the hospital area for residents and daytime users of the hospital area. **4. Enhance transit**, especially for NRGH employees.

5. Promote development with amenities to **enhance the character** of the hospital area.

6. Promote communication between the City, stakeholder agencies, and neighbourhood representatives on

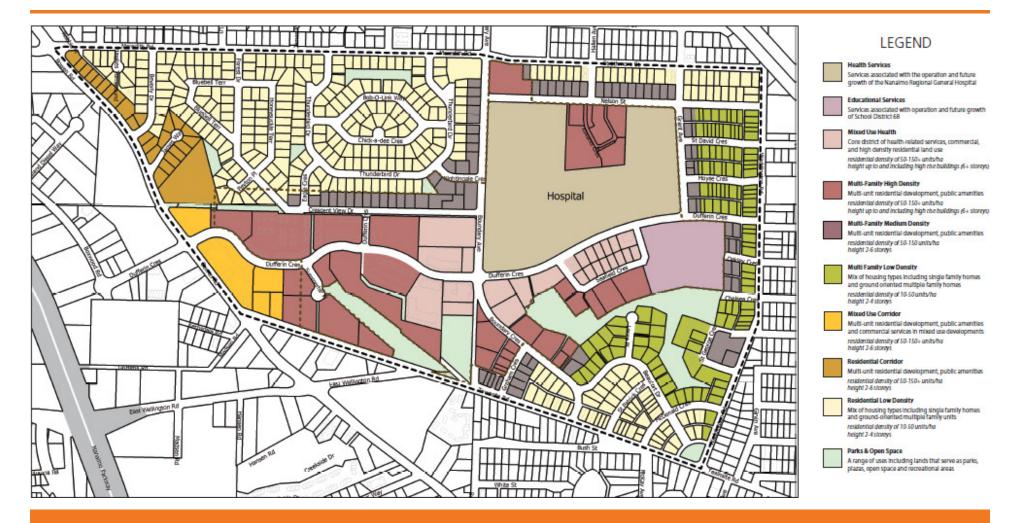
development projects and public realm enhancements in the hospital area. 7. Incorporate health and wellness as an area-wide identity of the hospital area.

8. Encourage **new services to complete and complement the existing services** for residents and daytime users of the hospital area.

9. Improve local **cycling and pedestrian infrastructure** and improve connections to the broader active transportation networks.



Land Use Plan





Land Use Policies

Multi-Family Low Density

1. Designate lands south of Beaufort Park and east of the Health Services designation as areas of ground-oriented multi-family homes.

2. Encourage multi-family low density building forms through zoning-based regulations including building height, floor-area ratios, lot coverage, and building setbacks.

3. Develop design guideless to guide multifamily low density projects in established residential neighbourhoods.

4. Permit low (10 to 50 units / ha) residential densities in buildings two to four storeys.





Transportation & Infrastructure Policies

Pedestrian Safety

1. Inventory the condition of existing sidewalks within the plan area and identify gaps in the sidewalk network. Based on the inventory, develop a priority-based list of pedestrian infrastructure upgrades, including new sidewalks, crosswalks, trails, or accessibility improvements.

2. Improve pedestrian safety by lengthening the pedestrian crossing times at light-controlled intersections in the Plan Area: Dufferin Crescent and Boundary Avenue / Crescent, Dufferin Crescent and Bowen Road, and Boundary Avenue and Meredith Road / Strathmore Street.





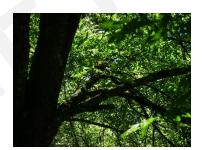


Open Space & Connectivity Policies

Wellness Walk

1. Designate the perimeter of the Nanaimo Regional General Hospital as a Wellness Walk to promote good health and exercise for people of all ages and abilities. Additionally, the Wellness walk would improve pedestrian connections from the Nanaimo Regional General Hospital to the community beyond as serve as a neighbourhood amenity. Elements of the Wellness Walk may include distance markers, increased sidewalk widths, seating areas, boulevard street trees and plantings, and other pedestrian spaces to enhance the public realm.













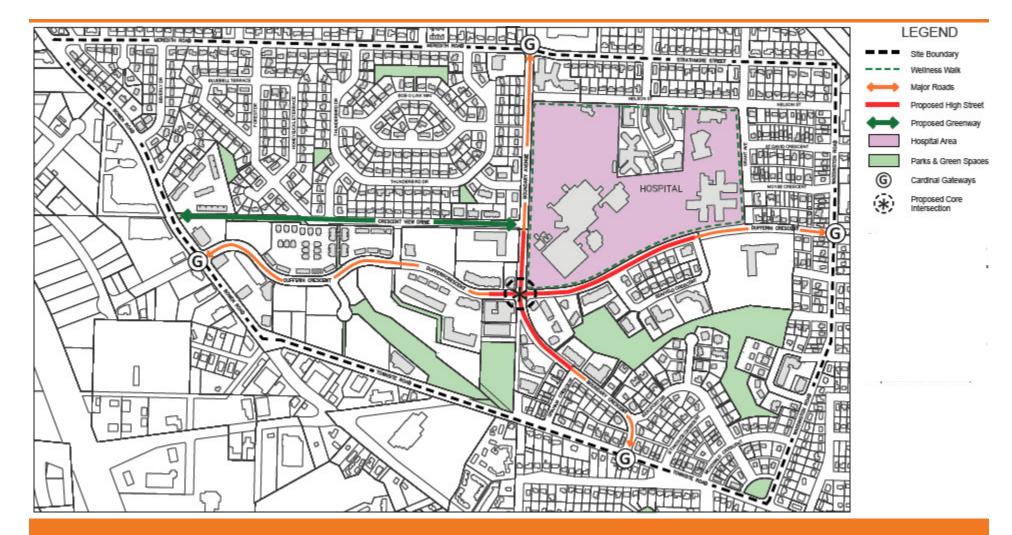


Urban Design Framework



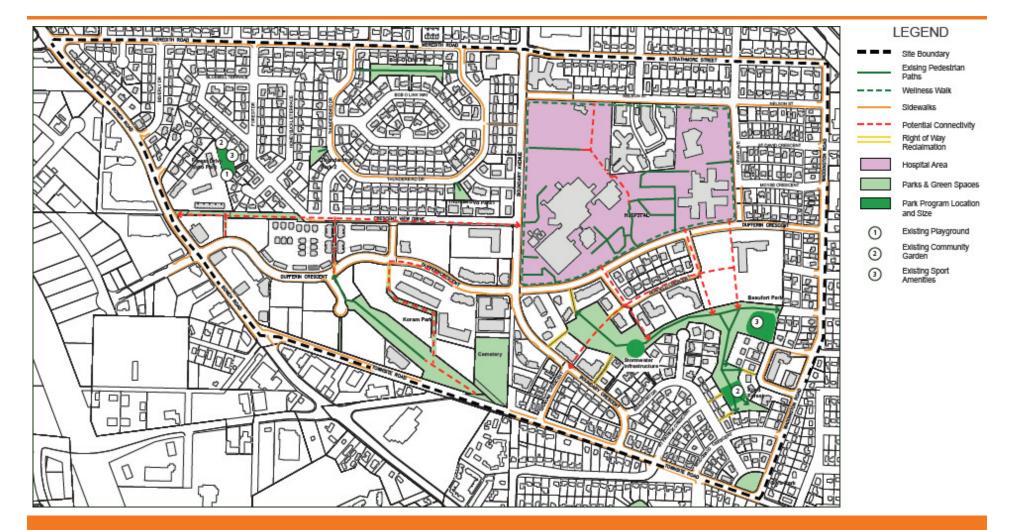


Urban Design & Street Character



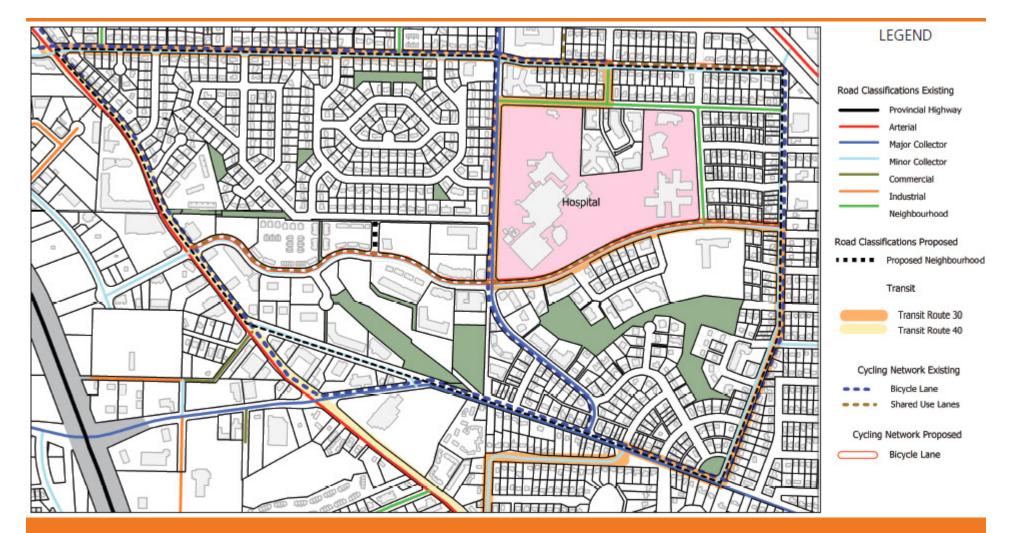


Open Space & Pedestrian Connectivity





Mobility





Urban Design Strategies

Urban Design

1. Recognize the intersection of Dufferin Crescent and Boundary Avenue / Boundary Crescent as the principle core intersection.

2. Define Dufferin Crescent between the core intersection and Grant Avenue as the Main Street. Provide the highest level of urban design and streetscape enhancements.

3. Consider Boundary Avenue / Boundary Crescent as the north-south axis and provide a high level of urban design and streetscape enhancements.

4. Provide urban design and streetscape enhancements along the Dufferin Crescent spine.

5. Identify one or more designated food truck locations within the Plan Area to serve local residents, Nanaimo Regional General Hospital employees, and daytime visitors to the hospital area.

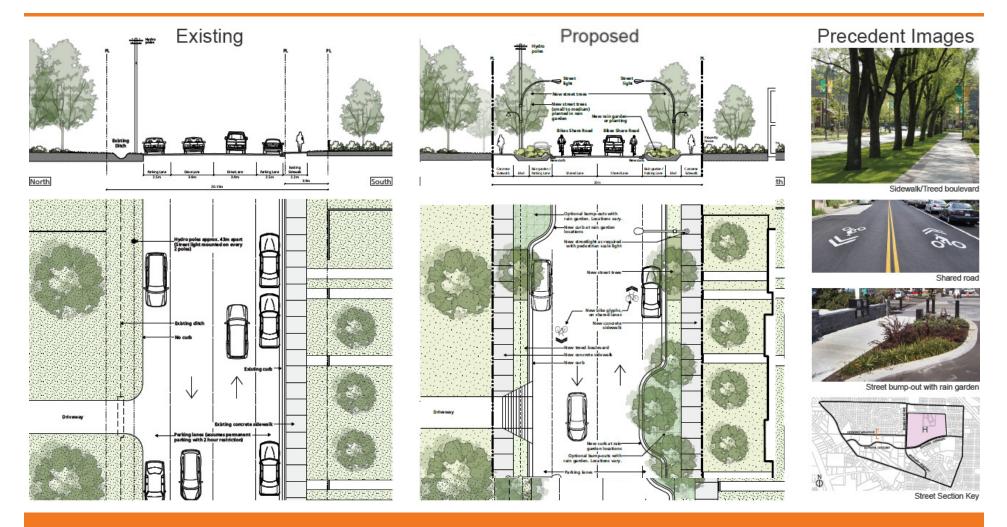






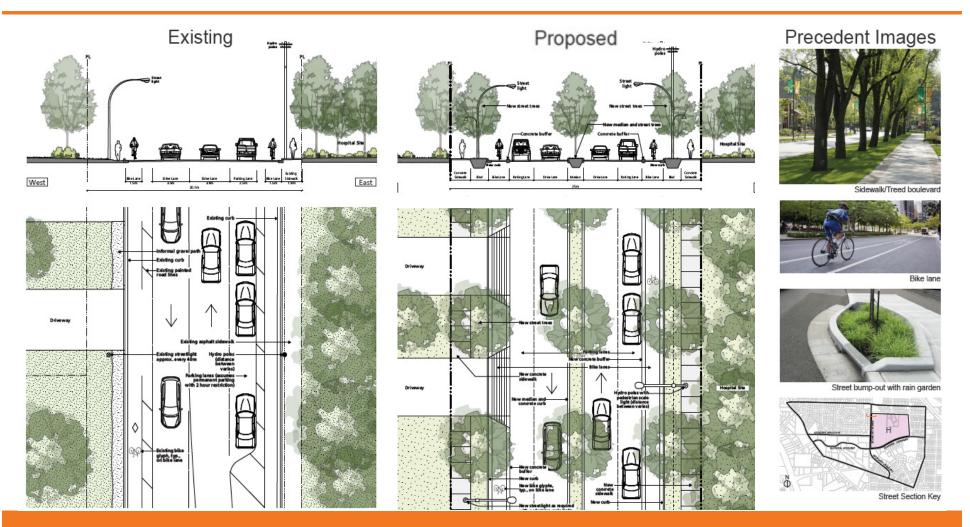


Crescent View Drive





Boundary Avenue / Crescent



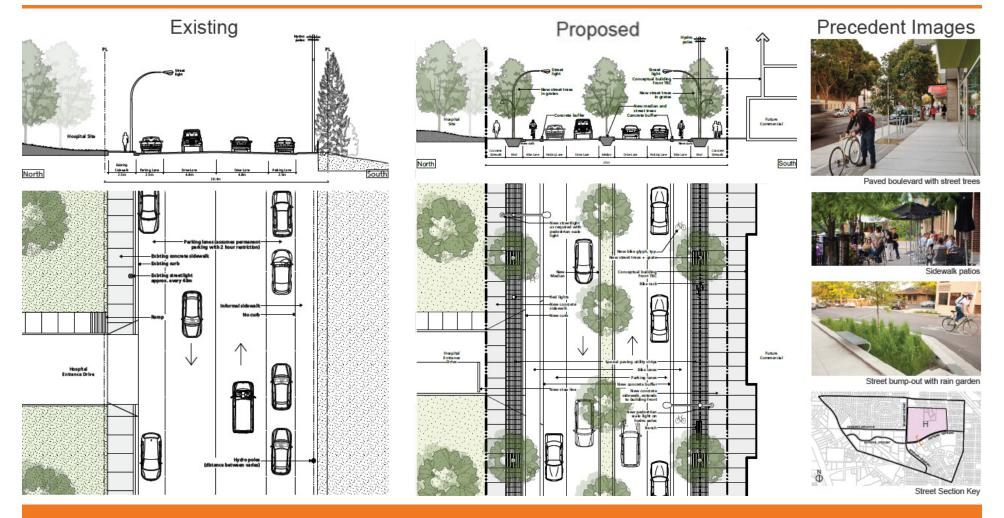


Dufferin Crescent (West)





Dufferin Crescent (East) – Main Street





Core Intersection







Parking





Parking Management







Parking Strategy

Companion document to the Hospital Area Plan

Common development process and schedule

Unique goals and independent implementation timelines

Hospital Area Plan provides policy context for the Parking Strategy



Parking Policies



Parking

1. Implement, monitor, and update the Hospital Area Parking Strategy to manage on-street parking within the hospital area.

2. Direct revenue generated from parking management in the hospital area to infrastructure upgrades, initiatives, and programs that support the safe and efficient movement of non-automobile travel, including pedestrian, cycling and transit network improvements.

3. Partner with Island Health and other Hospital Area stakeholders to implement the City of Nanaimo's Parking Strategy.



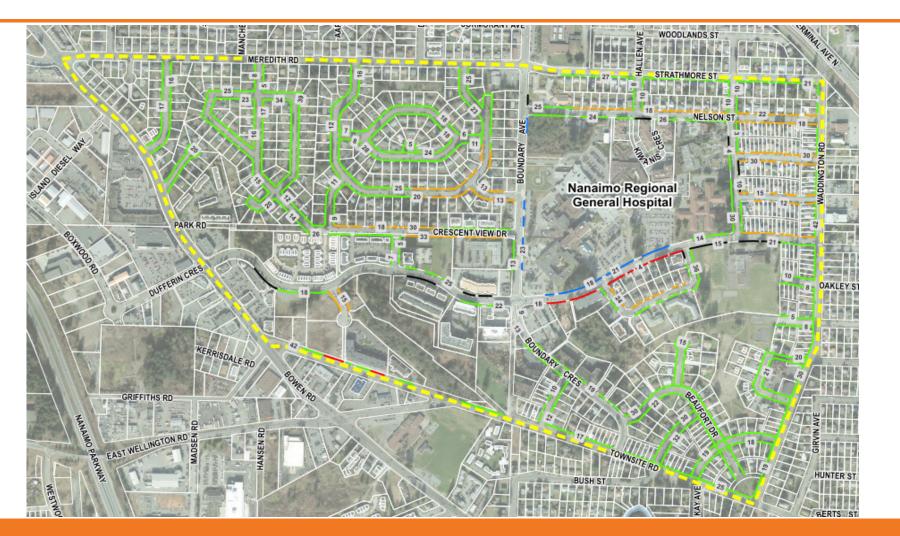
Parking Management Strategies



- 1. Transportation Demand Management
- 2. Leave most residential streets alone
- 3. Pay parking and two hour parking zones around hospital
- 4. Two-hour resident exempt parking nearby

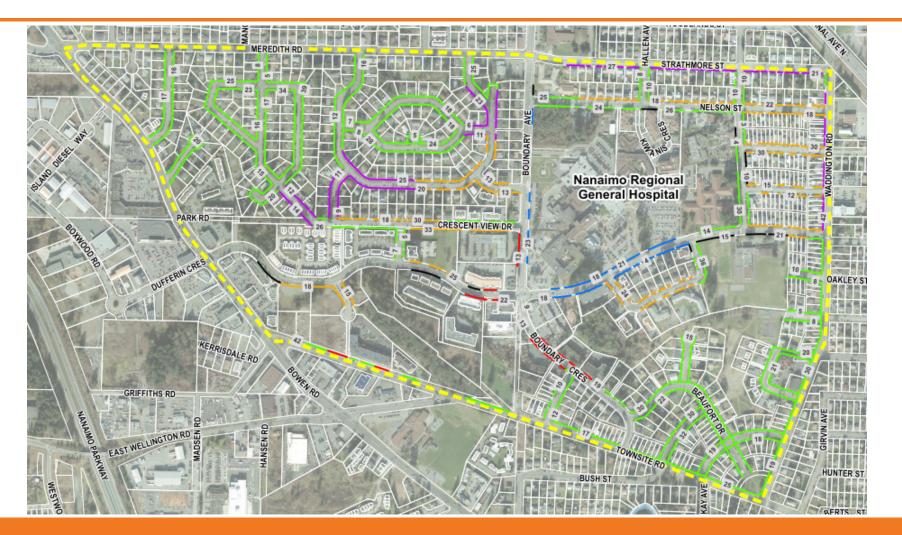


Proposed Parking Restrictions (Phase 1.0)





Proposed Parking Restrictions (Phase 2.0)





Next Steps: Public Consultation







Stakeholder Meetings

Tuesday, April 10 Wednesday, April 11

Open House Thursday, April 12



