



# Staff Recommendation for Neighborhood Character

## 2021 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Application Part C

### **Proposed in Application Materials:**

Our community defines “neighborhood character” as accessible, sustainable, and culturally inclusive neighborhoods. These are defined as:

- Accessible: Includes ADA compliancy, multi-mobility, and housing affordability.
- Sustainable: Promotes a healthy environment, a diverse and resilient local economy, and historic preservation, including, reuse, and adaptability of existing buildings.
- Culturally inclusive: Recognizes, supports and promotes diverse housing types, strong arts and historic preservation, and the various contributions of diverse Olympians past and present.

### **Additional Bullet, as proposed by staff:**

- Physical characteristics of neighborhoods are not stagnant and will change over time. Consideration of neighborhood character will be made for attributes such as design elements of buildings (mass, scale, materials, setting, and setbacks), parking, parks and open space, provision of City utilities, street grids and connections, and street trees. These will be balanced with other plan goals and policies, such as increasing the variety of housing types and providing pedestrian oriented streets, and implemented through the City’s development regulations.