

Is it your Town Center?

The Sammamish Town Center has been promoted as a destination. A place to dine, shop, attend civic events or visit friends. And so it might be. Just prepare for a long walk.

The plan is to minimize parking in Town Center core (TC-A). There will be only one parking space per housing unit required. On street parking counts toward this amount. Unfortunately the housing here as elsewhere in King County, will typically require 2 incomes per unit. Since there is no transit center in or near the Town Center, most of these people will need a car to drive to work.

There will certainly be an average of more than one car per household. The King County average is 1.4 passenger vehicles per household. The Town Center residents will probably be using every available space.

The development proposal is to have parking on the edges of TC-A (the densest part of Town Center). So far, it is unmentioned who will pay to build this parking, how it will be managed, or how well it will support access to destinations in TC-A.