

## Fountain District Urban Village Table Summaries: Top Two Strengths and Weaknesses

### Strengths

Existing mix of businesses can be built on  
Proximity to amenities and downtown  
Strong sense of community  
The Fountain Plaza  
Good mix of amenities  
"Music district"  
Business visibility and access  
Walkability due to diversity  
Sense of history  
Mix of owners/ renters = economic diversity  
Historic  
Walkability to nearby parks  
Sense of community - diverse  
Connectivity to other areas  
Sense of community - strong sense of identity  
Mostly outside core area and bus route  
Walkability (past Meridian)  
Variety of businesses and access to parks and downtown  
Can walk to Haggen easily  
Space to develop along Meridian  
Diversity and Asian markets  
Close to Urban Village - easy access  
Mixed uses and historic character  
Support of businesses, especially family/local  
Single family character is diverse

### Weaknesses

Not enough parking  
Meridian too fast to be "livable"  
Need more crosswalks  
Poor visibility for crossing  
Parking  
Lack of sidewalks  
Not bike or pedestrian friendly  
Loss of parking affected businesses and residents  
Need more shade trees  
Need better pedestrian connection to waterfront on Broadway  
Power/utility lines  
Lack of street trees  
Utility lines / poles  
More pedestrian crosswalks  
No central gathering space  
Major arterial divides neighborhood  
No major crosswalks / pedestrian safety  
Need to buffer Kulshan Street  
Not enough room for sidewalks on Meridian  
Would like to see a bakery, drugstore, fitness center  
Look of Meridian doesn't contribute to aesthetics  
Better bike/pedestrian  
Too much parking in some areas  
Not enough parking  
Lack of sidewalks, window shopping opportunities