



Quarterly Update Policy Options & Alternatives

September 28, 2021 Study Session



Agenda

Recap Engagement

 Summarize what we heard from Council on 9/21

Hear Council input to inform policy drafting

Objective:

Hear Council input on policy options and alternatives to guide creation of the draft Comprehensive Plan updates.

Engagement Recap





Q4-Q1 2020-2021

Policy Considerations & Existing Conditions Developed

Visioning work **Boards & Commissions** Focus groups



Q2 & Q3

Options & Alternatives Feedback

Questionnaire Stakeholder Outreach Community Workshops

Staff Core Team Meetings



Q4-Q1 2021-2022

Draft Transportation, Housing, Economic Vitality Element Policies

Comp Plan policies guide the high-level vision for the city, that are then implemented through functional plans, programs, projects, and regulations.

Council Review of Policy Considerations

Existing Conditions Review



Discussion on policy considerations to be added

Council Feedback on Policy Options

Provide guidance on the policy direction for Options and Alternatives



September 21 & 28 2021

What Staff Heard on 9/21

• Process: questions and concern about framing as dichotomy

Informational questions: documented in packet

• Early interest statements, policy direction

Example:

"Design and build infrastructure that is resilient and can be efficiently maintained."

Comprehensive Plan

Adopts Vision for the City



Example:

Street design and construction standards adopted in the Transportation Master Plan

Functional & Strategic Plans

Defines How Vision will be Implemented



Example:

CIP project scopes and budgets that reflect street design and construction standards

Financing & Implementation

Projects, Programs, Municipal Code, Zoning Code

Housing



What advances the vision for a green and inclusive community?

We heard: vigorously pursue both

Transportation



What advances the vision for well-maintained infrastructure that connects people to opportunity?

We heard: develop policy and investment strategy that allow City to pursue both

Housing



What advances the vision for housing choices?

Keep, reduce, or remove neighborhood restrictions on missing middle housing?

Transportation



What advances the vision for equitable, inclusive, sustainable, and resilient mobility?

Continue focus on completing access to light rail, increase focus on high comfort/low stress connections outside the centers, or both?

Economic Vitality



What advances the vision for a diverse economic base that includes manufacturing?

Support and preserve what we have, introduce additional flexibility, or some of both?





Appendix



Housing: Missing Middle, e.g., Duplex, Triplex, Fourplex



Remove policy and regulatory barriers in all neighborhoods



Allow, but retain some restrictions in single-family neighborhoods.

Housing: Sustainability and Affordability



Prioritize green building incentives and requirements



Prioritize affordability incentives and requirements

Economic Vitality: Manufacturing Land Uses & Jobs



Strengthen policy & regulatory protections for manufacturing



Allow for more flexibility to support complementary uses

Transportation: New Project and Program Priorities



Prioritize low stress/high comfort facilities



Prioritize access to light rail



Give equal weight to projects

Transportation: Balancing Transportation Investments



Prioritize flexible revenues for maintenance



Prioritize flexible revenues for new mobility improvements