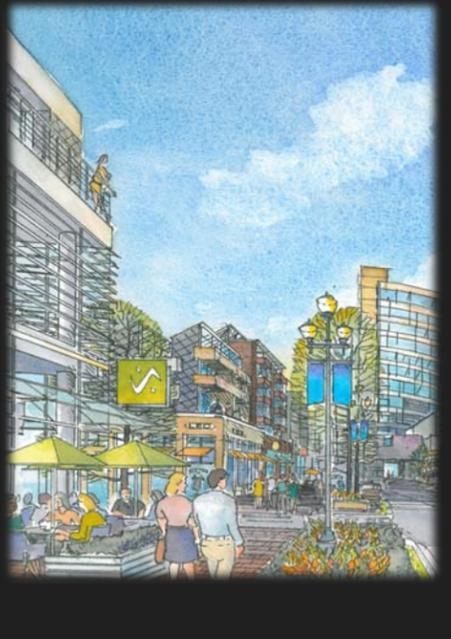


2040 and Beyond

LPlan 2040 is a vision for the next 30 years. However, it is also wise to envision our community beyond this point. Lincoln and Lancaster County will continue to grow over the next 50 years and the year 2060 will see a population of well over a half million people. The community in which these people live may be radically different from the one we experience today. Energy, food, and water are just a few of the necessities whose future abundance is not guaranteed. Development decisions made today will affect the choices available in the community of the future.



What's new? (con't from pg. 3)

Placemaking



What makes Lincoln Special? It is worthwhile to plan for, protect, and strengthen this character as the community grows and matures. Placemaking combines urban design and historic preservation as tools for the preservation of Lincoln's character. Key entryways provide indelible first impressions of a community and should be considered as development occurs. Design standards protect private and public investment and contribute positively to the community character. Design standards should also be considered in redevelopment areas as well as for new construction.

Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch

LPlan 2040 adds a charge to begin the assembly and conservation of land to create the Salt Valley Greenway, and adds new emphasis to the branch extending from Pioneers Park to Audubon Spring Creek Prairie.



Local Food

LPlan 2040 encourages preservation of agricultural land outside the City and includes new language to encourage small scale production inside the City.



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Lincoln-Lancaster County 2040 Comprehensive Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan
Prepared by: Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Department and Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization

LPlan 2040 is the draft Lincoln-Lancaster County 2040 Comprehensive Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan, which embodies Lincoln and Lancaster County's shared vision for the future, out to the year 2040. This newsletter summarizes the major Plan elements and items that are new for the 2040 Plan.

The development of LPlan 2040 was guided by the LPlan Advisory Committee (LPAC), a 20-person citizen committee comprised of the nine City-County Planning Commission members plus 11 additional citizen volunteers. LPAC met every two weeks for one year to provide guidance on the direction for major elements and issues embodied by the Plan. All of LPAC's work, together with a list of members, can be found on the LPlan 2040 website at lplan2040.lincoln.ne.gov.



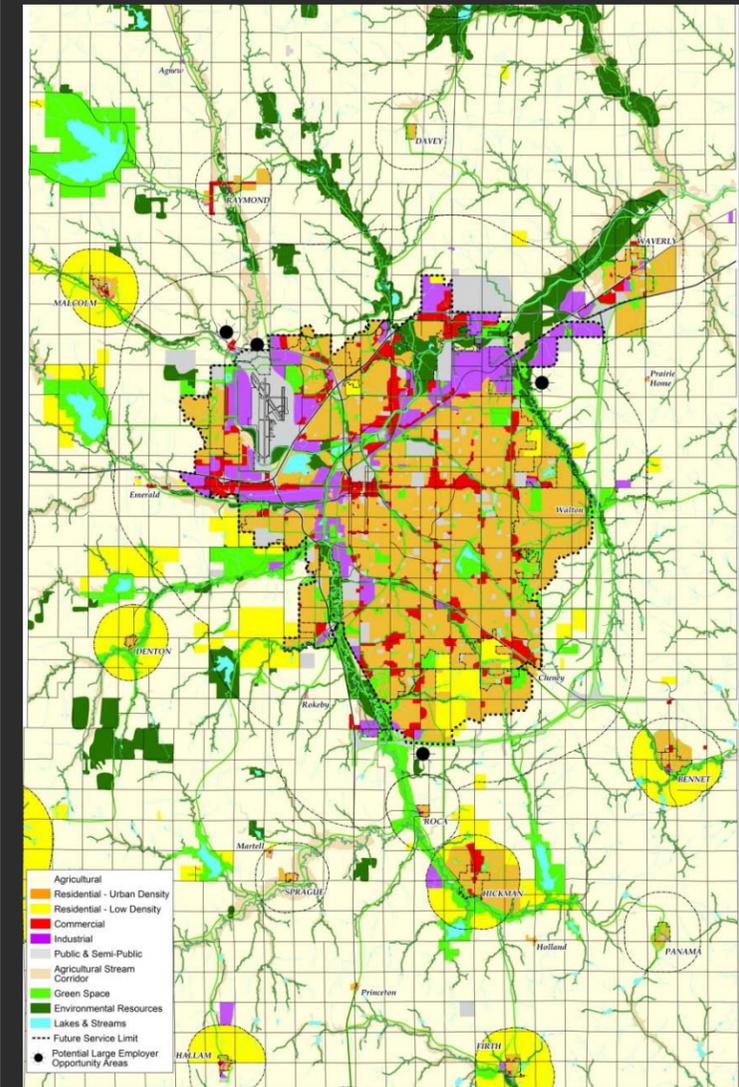
The Plan was also guided by tremendous public input throughout the past year based upon public outreach that was conducted through open houses, the Virtual Town Hall, an online comment board, interest group meetings, public surveys, presentations, displays at libraries and community centers, and direct contacts. All of this input was utilized by the City-County Planning Department, working together with other departments and agencies, to formulate a draft Lincoln-Lancaster County 2040 Comprehensive Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan known as LPlan 2040. LPAC completed their work in June 2011. The draft Plan is now available for public review electronically on the website or in printed format at the City libraries or at the City County Planning Department. The next step is for the Plan to be forwarded to the Planning Commission for review and public hearings beginning in August.

Please give us your feedback!

Review the full plan online at lplan2040.lincoln.ne.gov or in print at your local Lincoln library.

Share your comments:

- On the above website at "Get Involved"
- Email at plan@lincoln.ne.gov or telephone at 402-441-7491
- Send a letter to Planning Dept., Suite 213, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, NE, 68508
- Fill out a comment sheet at your local library or community center
- Testify at a Planning Commission public hearing at the County City Building, 555 S. 10th St., on:
 - Wednesday, August 17th from 5 – 7 pm
 - Wednesday, August 24th during the regular meeting, which begins at 1 pm
 - Wednesday, September 7th during the regular meeting, which begins at 1 pm



Draft Future Land Use Plan for Lancaster County



LPlan 2040 Vision and Goals

LPlan 2040 is guided by a series of vision statements and goals that describe the desired future conditions and provide guidance for individual land use decisions and other actions that collectively will help determine the future of Lincoln and Lancaster County. This newsletter summarizes a series of vision statements that can be found in their entirety in the draft Plan.

Vision

The core promise embedded in LPlan 2040 is to maintain and enhance the health, safety and welfare of our community during times of change, to promote our ideals and values as changes occur, and to meet the needs of today without sacrificing the ability of future generations to meet their needs.



Lincoln and Lancaster County: One Community

Lancaster County contains a rich mosaic of households, living in a variety of urban and rural settings. But we share a common bond and work cooperatively to promote future growth that offers new opportunities for living and working while conserving our local environmental and cultural resources for future generations.

Quality of Life Assets

The community's educational, recreational, environmental and cultural resources, strong neighborhoods and sense of place are all tremendous assets enjoyed by our residents.



Sustaining and enhancing these resources will continue to be essential for future generations.

Economic Opportunity

Lincoln and Lancaster County must have a sustainable tax base to provide quality services to residents. LPlan 2040 recognizes that technological change and global economic forces have a direct impact on local employment and quality of life.

Downtown Lincoln

Downtown Lincoln is the heart of our community, a unique common ground for all Lincoln and Lancaster County residents. LPlan 2040 will ensure that downtown remains a special place.



Healthy Community

A healthy community is one that continuously creates and improves both its physical and social environments. As we examine the interaction between health and the environment, it's important to consider the effects of housing, urban development, land use, transportation, industry, agriculture and other factors.

Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability

The importance of building sustainable communities - communities that conserve and efficiently utilize our economic, social, and environmental



resources so that the welfare of future generations is not compromised - has long been recognized. LPlan 2040 describes a community that values natural and human resources,

supports advances in technology, and encourages development that improves the health and quality of life of all citizens.

Interaction between LPlan 2040 and the Citizens

Comprehensive planning is a continuous process, requiring continuing, equitable, and frequent interaction between governments and their constituencies. LPlan 2040 seeks to accommodate and encourage the participation of all citizens of the City and County in the making of public policies to implement the visions of the community.

What's new?

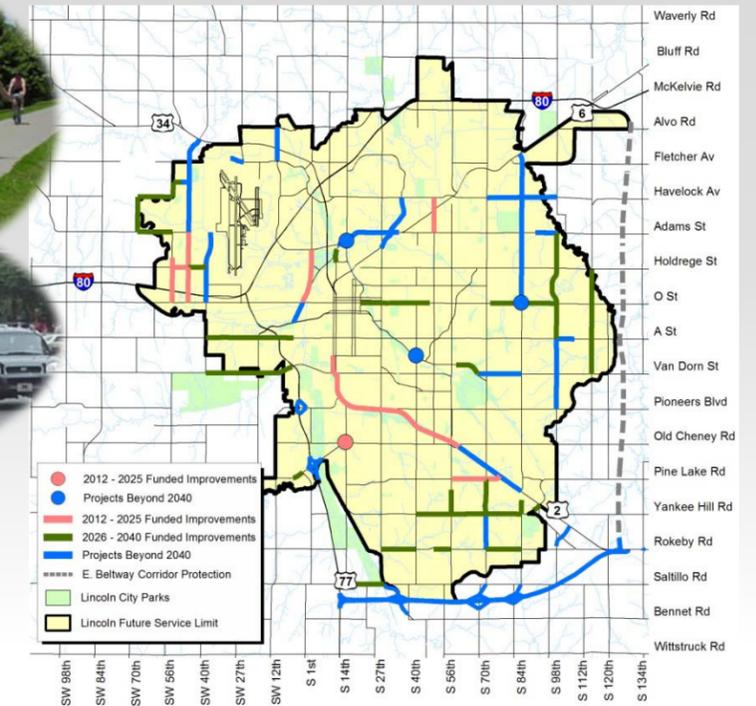
Long Range Transportation Plan

The transportation component of LPlan 2040 is called the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and is required for the City and County to receive federal transportation funds. It looks at all modes of transportation: walking, bicycling, driving and transit. The Proposed LRTP considers expected funding available for a Financially Constrained Plan and identifies Illustrative or unfunded projects for future Consideration. The LRTP is updated every five years, and it must be adopted by the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), a separate agency with representation from the City, County and State. The MPO Officials Committee is expected to review and adopt the LRTP later this year.



Streets Needs Based Plan

The Streets Needs Based Plan illustrates the locations for future capital improvements to the year 2040 and beyond. Projects beyond 2040 are not included in the Financially Constrained Plan.



Mixed Use Redevelopment Nodes and Corridors

LPlan 2040 identifies the potential for 8,000 new dwelling units to be located within the existing built-out portion of the City by 2040. This strategy focuses on Mixed Use Redevelopment Nodes and Corridors shown on the map on this page.

