ENERGIZED: COMPREHENSIVE & NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING

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A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHY I’M A PLANNER
DISCUSSION OVERVIEW

Comprehensive Planning

Blueprint Boise Overview

Neighborhood Planning
THINK OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LIKE A RECIPE...
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

THE WHY (VISION)

THE WHAT (GOALS & POLICIES)

THE HOW (IMPLEMENTATION STEPS)
Idaho Local Land Use Planning Act (LLUPA): Title 67 Chapter 65

Idaho’s Local Land Use Planning Act gives local governments broad powers in the area of planning and requires all local jurisdictions to comprehensively plan and to implement that plan through the adoption of ordinances.
YOU CAN HAVE A GREAT RECIPE... BUT YOU NEED THE TOOLS TO COOK!

Tools the City has to implement the Comprehensive Plan include:

- Budget
- Zoning Ordinance (Development Code)
- Neighborhood Investment Program
- Energize Our Neighborhoods Program
- And many others!!
A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

- Sets a vision with a focus on how the built-environment impacts residents, the environment, and the economy
- Identifies goals and policies needed to achieve that vision
- Provides a blueprint for future land use
- Serves as the basis for zoning, policies, and programs.
- Is created by engaging stakeholders and the public for their help, ideas, and expertise.
BOISE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

BLUEPRINT BOISE

2007-2011 Blueprint Boise Outreach Process

• Project Website
• Community Wide Meetings (8)
• Committee of Champions
  • Representatives appointed by the Mayor
• Neighborhood Council
  • Neighborhood representatives from each planning area
BLUEPRINT BOISE OVERVIEW

State Requirements
Vision
Citywide Policies
Community Structure & Design
Future Land Use Map
Geographic Planning Area Policies
Action Plan
CHAPTER 1: A VISION FOR BOISE CITY

Boise will continue to grow in stature as a world-class city with valued neighborhoods, outstanding natural, scenic, recreational, educational, historical, and cultural amenities; and economic vitality. Boise’s growth will happen in a sustainable, efficient, and responsible manner that maintains and enhances its treasured quality of life, while meeting the challenges of the future. Boise is committed to becoming a more sustainable community by taking steps to enhance the local, regional, and global environment. A sustainable community is one where the integrated economic, social, and environmental systems are structured to support healthy, productive, and meaningful lives for its residents, while laying the foundation for a high quality of life without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Boise will be known for:

- Environmental stewardship;
- A predictable development pattern;
- Stable neighborhoods and mixed-use activity centers;
- Being a connected community;
- Being a community that values its culture, education, arts, and history;
- Having a strong, diverse economy; and
- Being a safe, healthy, caring community.
CHAPTER 2 - CITYWIDE GOAL & POLICY AREAS

- Environmental Stewardship
- Predictable Development Pattern
- Stable Neighborhoods and Vibrant Mixed-Use Activity Centers
- Connected Community
- Culture, Education, Arts & History
- Strong Diverse Economy
- Safe, Healthy and Caring Community
CHAPTER 3 - COMMUNITY STRUCTURE & DESIGN
CHAPTER 4 - PLANNING AREAS POLICIES

• Trends & key issues
• Policies focused on:
  • Activity centers, corridors, and neighborhoods
  • Connectivity
  • Public services and facilities
  • Neighborhood character
CHAPTER 5 - ACTION PLAN

Set of objectives/actions to take or implement

**THEME #3: A COMMUNITY OF STABLE NEIGHBORHOODS AND VIBRANT MIXED-USE ACTIVITY CENTERS**

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ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

- Lead by Example
- Develop Tools Needed to Measure and Monitor Progress
- Strengthen Protection of Environmentally Significant Areas and Waterways
- Align Regulations and Development Processes with Sustainability Policies

A PREDICTABLE DEVELOPMENT PATTERN

- Establish Incentives for Infill Development
- Increase Education and Awareness about Infill Development
- Plan for Coordinated Growth within the AOCI Boundary

A COMMUNITY THAT VALUES ITS CULTURE, EDUCATION, ARTS, AND HISTORY

- Promote Schools as Neighborhood Centers
- Strengthen the Number and Quality of Arts and History Opportunities in Boise

A STRONG, DIVERSE ECONOMY

- Promote Sustainable Industries
- Promote Downtown Vitality

A SAFE, HEALTHY, AND CARING COMMUNITY

- Minimize Risks Associated with Natural Hazards
- Promote Active Living and Healthy Lifestyles
- Monitor Special Needs
NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS

• What is a neighborhood plan?
• What is the Neighborhood Plan process?
• What can neighbors do to prepare for a neighborhood plan?
NOW THINK OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS A RECIPE BOOK...

...and each individual recipe is a Neighborhood Plan
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

THE WHY (VISION)

THE WHAT (GOALS & POLICIES)

THE HOW (IMPLEMENTATION STEPS)
PLAN CONTENT OVERVIEW

1. The Neighborhood Today
   Describes current conditions within the neighborhood. Includes an analysis of data.

2. Basis for Action
   Describes the public engagement process and findings. Clearly shows how public input shaped the plan.

3. Vision & Core Values
   Describes what the neighborhood hopes for the future. Broad and inspirational.

4. Goals & Objectives
   Describes what the Neighborhood needs to do to achieve the Vision and operate according to the core values.

5. Project Implementation
   Identifies concrete policies and actions that the Neighborhood, City, or outside agencies can take to begin making progress on the plan.
### HOW IS A NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN USEFUL?

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<td>Comprehensive Planner</td>
<td>Project manager, coordinates with City Departments, NPC, &amp; NA. Assists with writing and analysis of plan/data</td>
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<td>Neighborhood Planning Committee (NPC)</td>
<td>Group of 10-15 people represent diverse interests. Guide all aspects of Neighborhood Plan process &amp; content</td>
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<td>Serve on NPC. Advertise and attend/volunteer at public meetings/surveys. Adopt completed plan if desired.</td>
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<td>&quot;The Neighborhood&quot;</td>
<td>Attend/participate in all public meetings or other outreach events. Read draft plan and submit comments</td>
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PLAN PROCESS

**LEARN**
- Existing conditions research
- Neighborhood input

**VISION**
- Neighborhood input analysis
- Develop draft vision and goals

**CREATE**
- Draft actions and objectives
- Project identification and prioritization

**FINALIZE**
- Neighborhood input on draft and final plan

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NPC Neighborhood Planning Committee
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OPTIONS

Public Meetings
“Office Hours”
Resource Fairs
Piggy Back on Other Events
Committee Meetings
Website
Online Survey
Interactive Maps
Newsletter/Info Blasts
Social Media
WHAT CAN YOU DO TO PREPARE FOR A NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN?

Organize Listening Sessions

Visual Documentation
EnergizeD Next Week:
Zoning 101
June 24, 2020 | 12:00 -1:00

Important Links:


QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

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