

City Council Regular Meeting

Meeting Date : 5/27/2025

City of Angleton GLO RCP-funded Comprehensive Plan Update

Background

The City of Angleton has secured a \$270,000 grant through the Texas General Land Office's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Resilient Communities Program (RCP). The purpose of this GLO RCP grant is to assist the City in formulating a forward-looking Comprehensive Plan that integrates hazard mitigation, amending the zoning ordinance, and updating the building codes.

The Comprehensive Plan update is to help the City identify and address vulnerabilities related to natural disasters, infrastructure needs, and long-term growth. By integrating hazard mitigation, land use planning, and community input, the Comprehensive Plan will serve as a strategic roadmap to guide future development while increasing the City's resilience to flooding, hurricanes, and other climate-related events. The update aims to align Angleton's vision for sustainable growth with state and federal resilience priorities. Several government grants that provide funding for infrastructure, housing, transportation, and resiliency require an updated Comprehensive Plan or prioritize applicants with one.

Role of City Council

The City Council plays a critical leadership role in the Comprehensive Plan update process. The City Council ensures the Comprehensive Plan reflects the community's voice while providing the leadership needed to move the process forward. Their role spans from initiation to adoption and continues through long-term implementation.

Kickoff Work Session Goals

The Comprehensive Plan Update process is expected to take approximately 28 months. To formally initiate this effort, a kickoff meeting and work session will be held with the City Council to seek strategic direction and lay the groundwork for a successful, community-driven plan. The session will focus on:

- Reviewing the purpose and process of the Comprehensive Plan update.
- Identifying major concerns, needs, and opportunities facing the City. Early input on key issues and priorities, including housing, infrastructure, growth management, transportation, resiliency to natural disasters, and economic development, will set the foundation for the process.
- Forming a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) & identifying liaison representatives of the City Council
- Identifying key stakeholders and partner organizations to participate in topic-specific discussions and focus groups
- Reviewing and refining the Community Engagement Plan to ensure effective, efficient, and transparent public involvement throughout the planning process