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# Planning Commission Update

February 21, 2024

Planning Commission Meeting

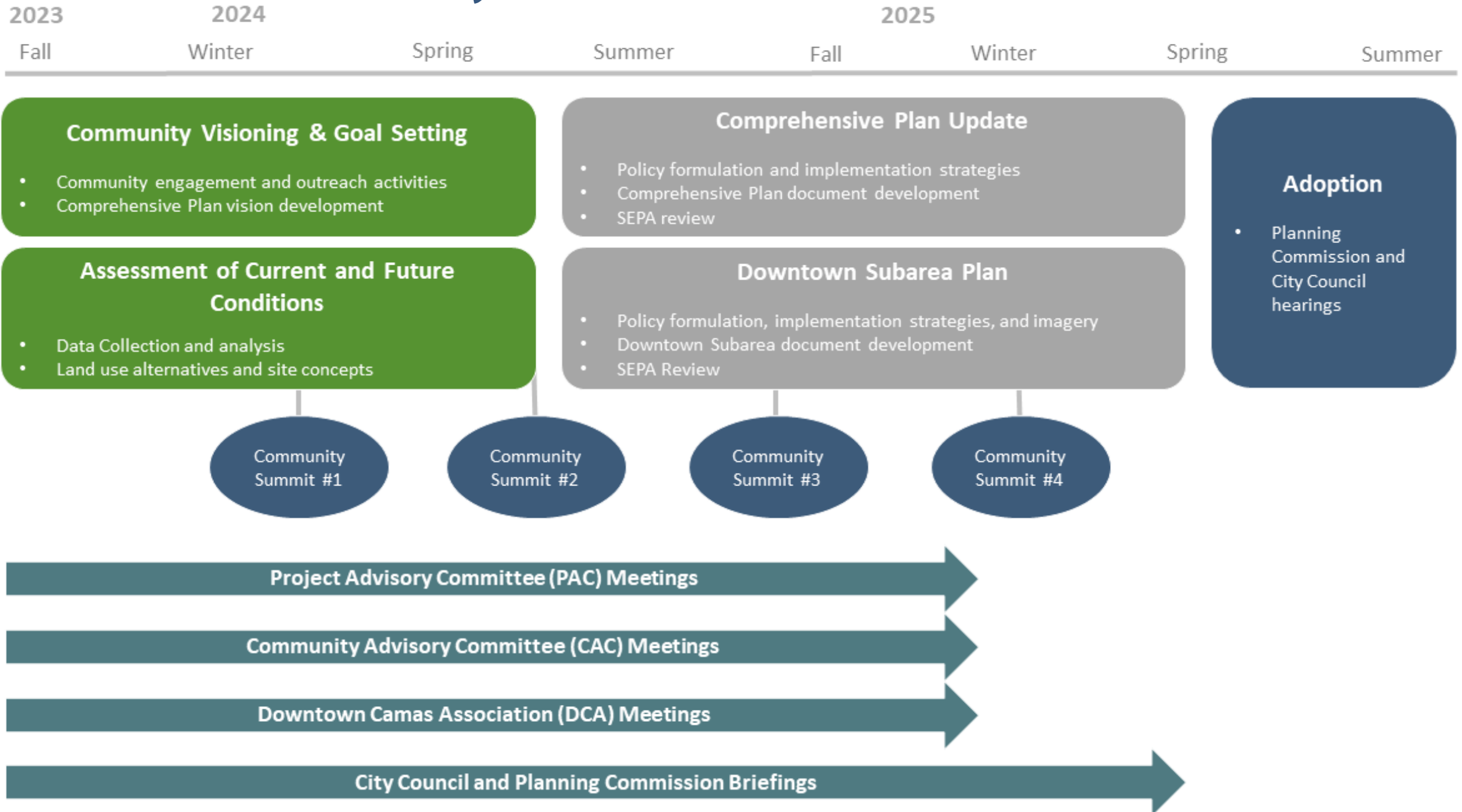
# Process

- **Existing Conditions Analysis:** clear understanding of the work that has been done and how to address critical issues and opportunities.
- **Equity Framework:** guides the City's desired equitable outcomes and provides a means to measure how it is advancing equity. Will be discussed as part of CAC Meeting 2.
- **Visioning and Community Outreach:** encourage community-wide participation with opportunities for public exchange in a variety of formats.

## Process (cont.)

- **Plan Development:** create land use plans that reflect the community's vision, addresses current and future needs, and leads to a future that reflects Camas' small-town charm.
- **Implementation:** develop an action plan that will provide a list of projects, priorities, costs and schedule to implement the plan.
- **Adoption:** solicit Planning Commission and City Council feedback throughout the process to keep decision-makers vested and engaged and promote buy-in before adoption.

# Key Milestones and Schedule



# Current Engagement Opportunities

- Our Camas 2045 Vision Survey
  - Brief survey with open-ended questions that delve into the aspects folks appreciate most about Camas, what can improve, and who should be engaged throughout this process.
- Our Camas 2045/Our Downtown Camas 2045 Interactive Maps
  - Two interactive maps to identify specific areas of opportunity and concern downtown and citywide.
- Community Conversations
  - Community conversations are small group discussions about the future of our community that you can facilitate with community organizations, groups, or clubs.

# Engage Camas

The screenshot shows the City of Camas website with a navigation bar including 'Home', 'City Website', and 'Code of Conduct'. The main header features the 'Our Camas 2045' logo and a background image of a street scene. Below the header, there is a 'Project Timeline' section with a marker for 'Fall 2023 through Spring 2024'. The main content area includes sections for 'Our Camas 2045', 'About the Project', and 'Let's Build a Better Camas Together'.

## Our Camas 2045: Vision Survey

**Greetings!** Your voice matters, and we want to hear from you! As part of our commitment to building a thriving community, we invite you to survey to establish a new community vision for the City's Comprehensive Plan Update (*Our Camas 2045*) and its sister project, the *Downtown Camas 2045*.

Camas is a unique and vibrant community, and your insights are invaluable in guiding its future. This survey is designed to understand what you love about Camas and its historic downtown today and identify areas of improvement for the future. Your input will play a crucial role in shaping the vision for growth and development over the next 20 years.

**How It Works:** This brief survey consists of questions that delve into the aspects you appreciate most about Camas, what can improve, and who should be engaged throughout this process. The survey should take no more than 5-10 minutes.

### Why Participate:

- Your perspective matters: Your unique experiences and viewpoints contribute to the diverse tapestry of our community.
- Shape the future: Your input will directly influence the vision and priorities for Camas in the coming years.
- Community-driven development: Together, we can work towards creating a Camas that meets the needs and aspirations of its residents and business owners.

**Confidentiality:** Your responses are completely confidential. We are interested in your thoughts, not your personal information.

**Let's Build a Better Camas Together:** Your participation in this survey is a vital step towards building a stronger, more connected community. By sharing your thoughts, you become an integral part of the visioning process. **Additionally, don't forget to provide your input on the *Our Downtown Camas 2045* and *Our Camas 2045* interactive map tools, where you can pinpoint specific areas and offer valuable insights for the future development of Camas!**

Thank you for your time and commitment to making Camas an even better place to live, work, and thrive.

Survey starts

Finish

All fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are required.

### The Future of Camas

As you consider where Camas is today and what you wish to see in the future, consider these topics as they relate to the Camas community, both in terms of the historic downtown and broader city limits:

- Community and culture
- Downtown
- Driving, biking, walking
- Governance
- Growth management
- Health and safety

The screenshot shows an interactive map of downtown Camas. The map is overlaid with a grid of streets and various markers. A text box on the left provides instructions for using the map to identify specific areas of opportunity for improvement, change, or preservation. The map includes labels for various businesses and landmarks, such as 'Camas Boutique Hotel', 'Camas Thai Cuisine', and 'Camas Friends Church'.

The infographic provides a comprehensive overview of the community profile for Camas 2045. It includes data on population, languages, earnings, and parks. The population section compares Camas (27,420) to Clark County (527,400) and Washington (7,951,150). The languages section shows that 6% of the population speaks Asian and Pacific Islander languages, while 86% speak English. The earnings section shows that the median household income in Camas is \$133,829 per year, which is 46% higher than the median household income for Clark County (\$91,248 per year). The parks section highlights that there are 16 parks within Camas, 12 miles of trails, and 1,060 acres of parks and open space.

# Community Conversation Kit

## COMMUNITY CONVERSATION KIT

City of Camas  
Comprehensive Plan and  
Downtown Subarea Plan

January 2024



### Preparation Checklist

#### Before the Event

Familiarize yourself with the items in this guide. If you have any questions, contact **Natalie Olivier (Planner, 3J Consulting)** at [natalie.olivier@3j-consulting.com](mailto:natalie.olivier@3j-consulting.com)

#### For In-Person Community Conversations

If you are able, print fresh copies of the materials, including:

- Sign-in sheet
- Discussion Questions (enough copies to share with participants)
- Notes page(s) for small groups
- This Community Conversations Kit as your quick reference guide

#### For Virtual

Have the following on a computer:

- Sign-in sheet by having address
- Discussion Questions
- Notes page(s)
- This Community Conversations Kit as your quick reference guide

#### Ask yourself the following questions

1. Have you confirmed the meeting location or video conference link?
2. If this Community Conversation is part of another meeting, the agenda? How much time do you have?
3. Do you have enough materials to share with expected participants?

#### After the Event - Submitting your Feedback

##### Option 1

- Email the sign in sheet and your notes directly to Natalie within one week of your conversation.

Natalie Olivier (Planner, 3J Consulting)  
[natalie.olivier@3j-consulting.com](mailto:natalie.olivier@3j-consulting.com)



Send an email



Visit the website

### Discussion Notes

Remember to place a check mark (☑) next to frequently mentioned themes, ideas, or concerns on this provided note-taking sheet or your preferred method to capture your notes. Just ensure that your notes find their way to Natalie once the discussion concludes.

#### INTRODUCTIONS

What makes Camas, including our historic downtown, special today? What should we enhance? [OR similar question]

What about Camas, including our historic downtown, would you like to change or improve? [OR similar question]

What people, groups, or communities should we contact to make this an inclusive process?

In what ways would you like to participate in this process? [Share all potential ideas]

### Camas Community Conversation Sign-in Sheet

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Discussion Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Name	Email Address	Add me to the Email List (☑)

# Community Conversation: Let's discuss!

**What makes Camas, including our historic downtown, special today?** What should we strive to preserve or enhance?

- *Why did you choose to live/work in Camas?*
- *What are some of Camas's most cherished attributes?*
- *Where do you spend time in Camas? Specific parks, stores, restaurants, etc.*
- *What is being done well in Camas?*
- *What about Camas makes you proud?*



# Community Conversation: Let's discuss!

**What about Camas, including our historic downtown, would you like to change in the future?  
What can improve?**

- *As the community develops this project, what is on the horizon that we should be sure to consider?*
- *What, if anything, causes you concern about the future of Camas?*
- *How has Camas changed over the last 5 years? 10 years? 20 years?*
- *What changes have you seen in Camas that you like? What are changes you don't like?*
- *Describe your ideal Camas in 2045. What has changed?*

# Community Conversation: Let's discuss!

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# Next Steps

Visit us online!

Learn more, take the online survey and use the interactive mapping tool:

[www.engagecamas.com/ourcamas2045](http://www.engagecamas.com/ourcamas2045)