



MEETING TYPE
STAFF REPORT

Agenda Date:	April 22, 2024	Eric Buckman, City Manager:	
Department:	Planning & Zoning	Department Head Name:	Renee Barron
Presenter:	Renee Barron/Patricia West	Kim Berry, City Clerk:	

This form and any background material must be approved by the City Manager, then delivered to the City Clerk by 4:00 PM the Tuesday prior to the Commission Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

Master Plan Amendment

BACKGROUND:

A Master Plan’s intent and use is to assist Michigan communities with making public policy decisions on issues.

This 2024 Master Plan is an amendment to the vision established in the city’s 2015 Master Plan. It assesses the plan’s vision and direction in the context of current demographic data and provides updated information about existing conditions.

The City of Gladstone Master Plan offers an opportunity to direct new development in the city through the establishment of goals, objectives, strategies, and plans. The Master Plan is comprehensive, providing for future land use, housing, preservation, and transportation in a coordinated fashion. It is a clear statement of community goals and objectives that establishes a vision of the future and includes plans to achieve the vision. In addition, the plan promotes a land use pattern that is consistent with the community’s goals.

Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)’s Redevelopment Ready Communities Best Practices seeks that a governing body has an adopted master plan within the last five years. The Planning Commission determined that many elements of the 2015 Master Plan were still relevant today, so they focused on an amendment to the plan, with notable changes and updates made to the sections below:

- Data and demographics based on the 2020 census.
- Current Zoning Map
- Future Land Use Map
- Implementation of the City’s Vision & Goals

FISCAL EFFECT:

None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

DRAFT - 2024 Proposed Amendment to the City of Gladstone’s Master Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the distribution of the proposed plan amendment for review and comment to the required entities as established by the Michigan State University Extension Land Use Series Checklist #1I: Adoption of an Amendment to the Plan, step 8 - with 42 days to respond to the Gladstone Planning Commission.