

Introduction

The Baseline Analysis, Chapter 1, provided a foundation for this 2009 Comprehensive Plan. It does this by outlining facts about Glen Rose that need to be considered – facts that pertain to demographics, housing, and land use characteristics. This chapter also provides a foundational element for this Plan, but in a very different way. This Vision chapter outlines the vision of Glen Rose that will be pursued as a result of this 2009 Comprehensive Plan, in the form of goals and objectives.

What should the future hold for Glen Rose? What should the City be like in the year 2020 or 2030? These are the key questions this chapter addresses. This chapter creates a vision for this comprehensive planning effort, as well as for the City of Glen Rose in general. The vision for Glen Rose that is described within this Plan will help guide growth and development in the City for the next ten years and beyond. This is also the chapter upon which many of the recommended actions and implementation efforts of Glen Rose's 2009 Comprehensive Plan will be based. In order to do this effectively, this Plan should be premised upon a shared vision of what Glen Rose should become as it grows and becomes an increasingly mature, livable, and sustainable City.

To identify and define this shared vision, input from the community was collected through a variety of methods. A Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) was formed, consisting of interested citizens, business owners, and other community leaders. Numerous meetings were held with the CPAC to help guide the development of the Plan. A public workshop was also held, where City leaders and members of the community participated in several exercises to gain additional public input. During this workshop, 65 City leaders, citizens and interested persons participated in a Visual Character Survey (VCS), a Strengths-Weaknesses-Opportunities-Threats (SWOT) Analysis, a questionnaire, and the creation of a Vision Statement. Each of these exercises will be discussed in the following sections.

Vision Statement

The City of Glen Rose is a place where the community, businesses, and civic leaders are partners in building a city that is family-oriented, safe and pedestrian friendly.

We are a community proudly investing to enhance our small town character and natural environment, providing diverse opportunities, and encouraging tourism, while remaining financially responsible.

