Lake Forest Park Comprehensive Plan Update

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2024

Tonight's Meeting

Schedule Revisions	
Comprehensive Plan Element Updates – Framework & Objectives	
Land Use Element	
Environmental Quality Element	
Community Services & Public Safety Element	
Q&A	

Look Ahead

Planning Commission Review Schedule

Year	Month	Elements for Review
2024	Jan	Land Use; Transportation; Environmental Quality
	Feb	Transportation; Climate; Land Use; Environmental Quality; Community Services & Public Safety
	Mar	Housing; Climate; Environmental Quality; Transportation
	Apr	<u>Housing</u> ; Climate; Economic Development; Community Services & Public Safety
	May	Capital Facilities; Utilities; Parks, Trails, and Open Space
	Jun	Capital Facilities; Utilities; Parks, Trails, and Open Space

Comprehesive Plan Element Updates

Policy Framework

Framework Structure	Key Words	Recommendation
Goals should be a <u>high-level</u> , comprehensive, and intentionally vague overview of the future vision.	Facilitate, promote, encourage, preserve	Look for opportunities to <u>simplify</u> goals and confirm that policies are <u>consistent</u> with each goal.
Policies should be moderately specific steps to make the goals possible.	Maintain, enhance, encourage, promote, increase, designate, consider, coordinate, support, explore	Policies lead to actions. Policies should be phrased with "and" statements that may indicate actions within a policy.
Actions are <u>very specific</u> ; when completed, there will be a tangible or measurable result or product.	Develop, adopt, implement, map, evaluate, review, align, work, establish	Identify <u>actions that may already</u> <u>exist</u> within policies and suggest any new ones.

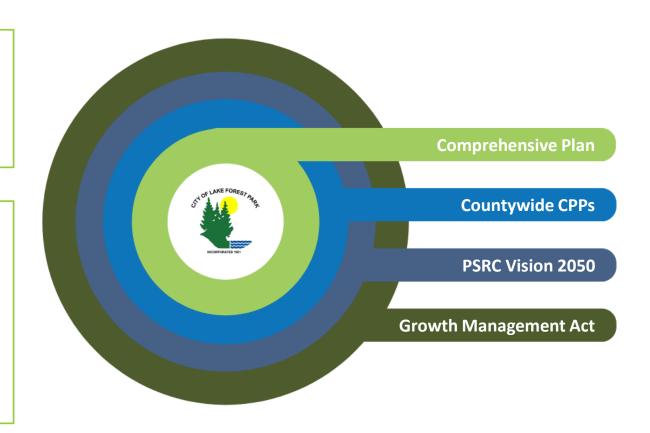
Element Update Objectives

Regulatory Compliance

- GMA & Amendments
- King County CPPs
- PSRC Vision 2050

Community Vision and Priorities

- Balance environmental preservation, economic vitality, and neighborhoods
- Support diverse cultures and perspectives
- Vibrant Town Center is the heart of the community
- Safe and connected neighborhoods



Land Use Element

Summary of Revisions

Since January – SEE DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Options for land use designations (Table I.2)
- Additional equity-focused policies
- Minor adjustments to previously-suggested revisions

Key Changes – Comprehensive Plan Element

- DEI-focused word choice updates
- Land Use Designations table revised to support middle housing
- Placeholder added for future Middle Housing land use policies
- New Goal LU-10 Climate Commitment
- Placeholder added for future Climate Planning land use policies
- Identified actions to relocate to Implementation chapter

Key Changes – Land Use Appendix

Updated demographics information

Discussion Topics

- Land Use Designations. Review options in Discussion Guide Q1.
- Equity. Spread throughout Element (as currently shown) or consolidate equity-specific policies into a single new goal (see LU-10 placeholder goal). See Discussion Guide Q2.
- Residential Neighborhoods. Identify character-defining features. See Discussion Guide Q3.
- Implementation Actions. Relocate or rephrase? See Discussion Guide Q4.
- Climate Commitment. How should we frame the climate commitment? See Discussion Guide Q5.

Environmental Quality Element

Summary of Revisions

Key Changes – Comprehensive Plan Element

- Equity-focused word choice updates and new policies
- Clarified policies consistent with CPPs and Vision 2050
- Eliminated redundant policies
- Consolidated related goals (Wildlife)
- Placeholder added for future Climate Planning environmental policies
- Identified actions to relocate to Implementation chapter

Key Changes – Environmental Quality Appendix

Word choice updates

NOTE: Data about tree canopy coverage and waste disposal rates has not been updated.

Discussion Topics

- Resilience. Where should we address hazard mitigation? Discussion Guide Q1.
- Equity. How can vulnerable populations be prioritized for investment? See Discussion Guide Q2.
- Wildlife. Can we consolidate wildlife goals? See Discussion Guide Q3.
- Climate Commitment. How should we frame the climate commitment? See Discussion Guide Q4.

Community Services & Public Safety Element

Findings & Recommendations

Growth Management Act

Community Services & Public Safety is not a required element.

Findings & Recommendations

King County CPPs

The 2015 Community Services & Public Safety Element is **generally consistent.** New emphasis on equity and health.

Required:

- Provide "urban" levels of service (PF-1)
- Coordinate with King County to support human and community services that meet the needs of current and future residents. Provide equitable planning, funding, and delivery of services. (PF-18)

Consider:

Delivering community services as equitably as possible – moving beyond just availability.

Findings & Recommendations

PSRC Vision 2050

The 2015 Community Services & Public Safety Element is generally consistent.

Required:

- Protect and enhance the environment and public health and safety when providing services and facilities. (MPP-PS-1)
- Promote affordability and equitable access of public services to all communities, especially the historically underserved. Prioritize investments to address disparities. (MPP-PS-2)
- CONSIDER: Consider the impacts of climate change in siting or providing public services and facilities. (MPP-PS-20, MPP-PS-21)
- CONSIDER: Integrate resilience in public services, public safety, utilities, and infrastructure. (MPP-PS-17, MPP-PS-18)
- CONSIDER: Locate community facilities and health and human services near transit facilities for all to access services conveniently. (MPP-PS-18)

Summary of Revisions

Key Changes – Comprehensive Plan Element

- Changes to improve equity outcomes: word choice, new policies, elevation of policies to goals
- Clarified policies consistent with CPPs and Vision 2050
- Eliminated redundant policies
- Consolidated related goals (Wildlife)
- Placeholder added for future Climate Planning environmental policies

Key Changes – Appendix

Clarifications and equity-focused word choice updates

NOTE: Data about crime rates and response times has not been updated.

Discussion Topics

- Incorporating Resilience. How should we address community resilience? See Discussion Guide Q1.
- Equity. Review suggested policies carefully. See Discussion Guide Q2.

Discussion/Questions