

Workshop — Draft Plan Review

DATE

Monday, August 17, 2026

TIME

5:30-7:30pm ET

LOCATION

Mayor's Conference Room

PURPOSE

This session moves the process from goal-setting into plan review. The draft framework is now complete across all six focus areas, and the community sees it for the first time the following evening. Tonight's work is editorial and directional: confirm the vision and mission statements, and check that the structure and tone of the plan hold together before it goes public.

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Meeting Objectives

How to read the draft framework, and tonight's single job: clarity, tone, and structure rather than adding new content.

2. Vision & Mission Review

The committee reads the draft vision and mission aloud and reacts to them. The guiding question is whether this sounds like Novi and nowhere else. Wording preferences are captured live in the document.

3. Focus Area Walk-Through

A review of all six focus areas. For each, the committee considers whether the goal is clear, whether the tone is right, and whether a resident or council member would be confused by any of it. Discussion is by exception rather than line by line.

4. Structure Check

Confirmation that the plan's skeleton holds: focus area, goal, strategies grouped as Provide, Partner, and Advocate, and outcome measures.

5. Next Steps & Adjourn

Confirm what changes before tomorrow's community preview, and preview the September workshop and October adoption.

PREPARATION FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The draft framework is distributed ahead of the Committee meeting. Committee members are asked to mark up their own copy in advance and come ready to react and discuss. Three questions to hold while reading: Does the draft plan feel specific to Novi? What language needs clarification? What would you have to explain to a resident?

Focus Area 6, Environmental Sustainability, is the most recently drafted and will benefit from the closest reading.