

Information Item

Metropolitan Council



Meeting Date: August 17, 2022

Topic

2050 Regional Development Guide: Values, Vision, and Goals

District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Minn. Stat. § 473.145
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Background

At the August 17th, meeting of the Committee of the Whole, staff will continue the conversation with the Council around the Values, Vision, and Goals for the *2050 Regional Development Guide (2050 RDG)*. We are beginning to pivot to get more concrete ideas about what goals the region should consider .

To date, nearly 20 presentations and engagement sessions have been completed including with the Council, its various advisory bodies, and the newly formed working groups for the *2050 Transportation Policy Plan*. There have also been numerous internal meetings, including interdisciplinary teams of policy practitioners and subject matter experts. As you know, depending on the audience, the conversations focus on values and issues of immediate importance to those who are present. However, conversations often get deeper as people share both their technical expertise as well as their lived experience (both work and personal).

Staff will review and recap prior engagement and themes and begin a conversation on regional goals. This will include the following:

- Review / reinforcement of terminology that will be used for the 2050 RDG and the policy plans.
- Review value themes how we might begin to articulate those values.
- Review vision themes and pivot toward what goals the region might consider.

In order to support your process, staff from various policy and technical disciplines are reviewing input and are beginning to inventory possible goal language for your consideration. Your ideas and initial input are essential to guide that process. Staff can then offer feedback, including areas that may have been missed, connections between policy areas, and ideas informed by practitioner experience.

At the meeting, we will provide time for you to share, document, and discuss your ideas for regional goals. Please review the accompanying presentation, which includes the vision themes that we will use to explore potential goals.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing your ideas and suggestions.