



Land Use Objectives

Community Development Committee



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Regional Planning Recap

Where we have been

- ✓ Endorsed regional vision and values
- ✓ Identified five regional goals
- ✓ Completed the Young Leaders Collaboration
- ✓ Initiated a Regional Policy Collaboration focused on land use
- ✓ Selected title for the RDG: *Imagine 2050*
- ✓ Drafted land use objectives

Where we are going

- Extensive engagement across all technical areas continues, more intentional engagement with underserved communities
- Initiate discussion with stakeholders on land use objectives
- Iterative revisions to land use objectives
- Draft land use policies and actions

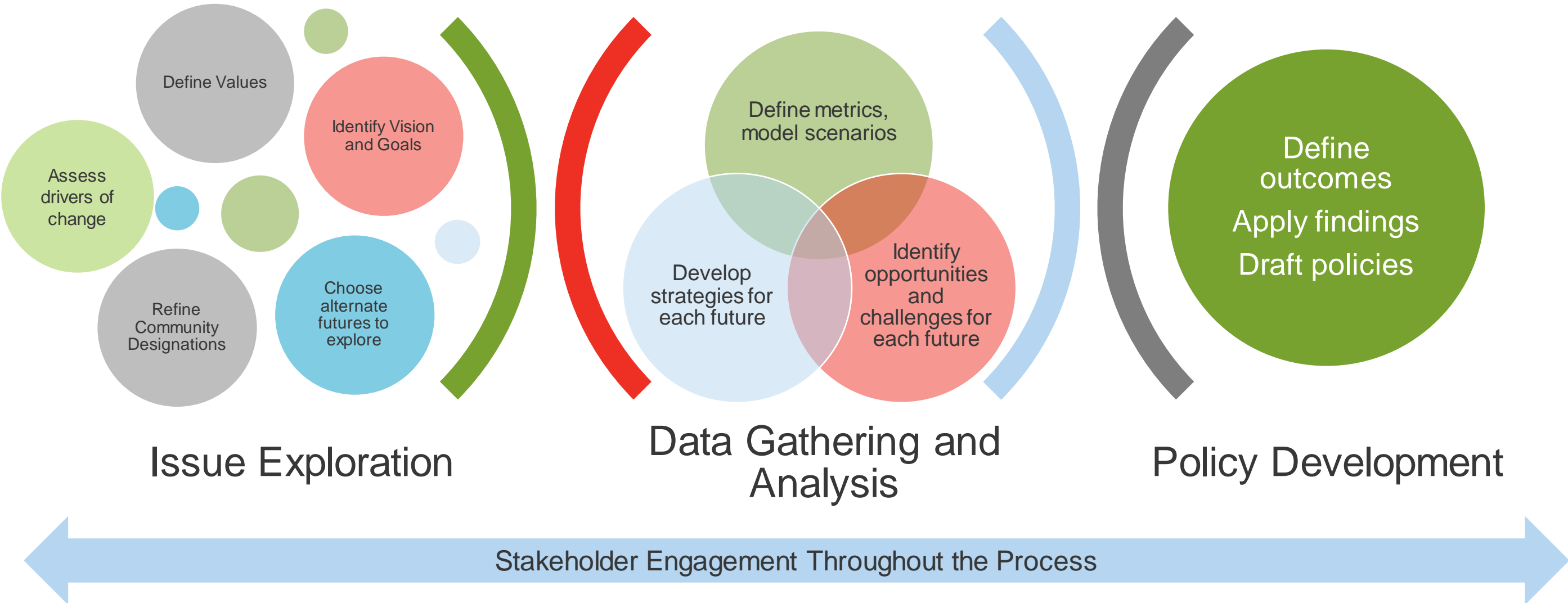
Planning for Regional Growth



What is the role of land use in the 2050 Regional Development Guide?

- Guide growth in the region to achieve the regional vision
- Support orderly and economical development
- Set requirements for local comprehensive planning

Policy Development Process



Stakeholders

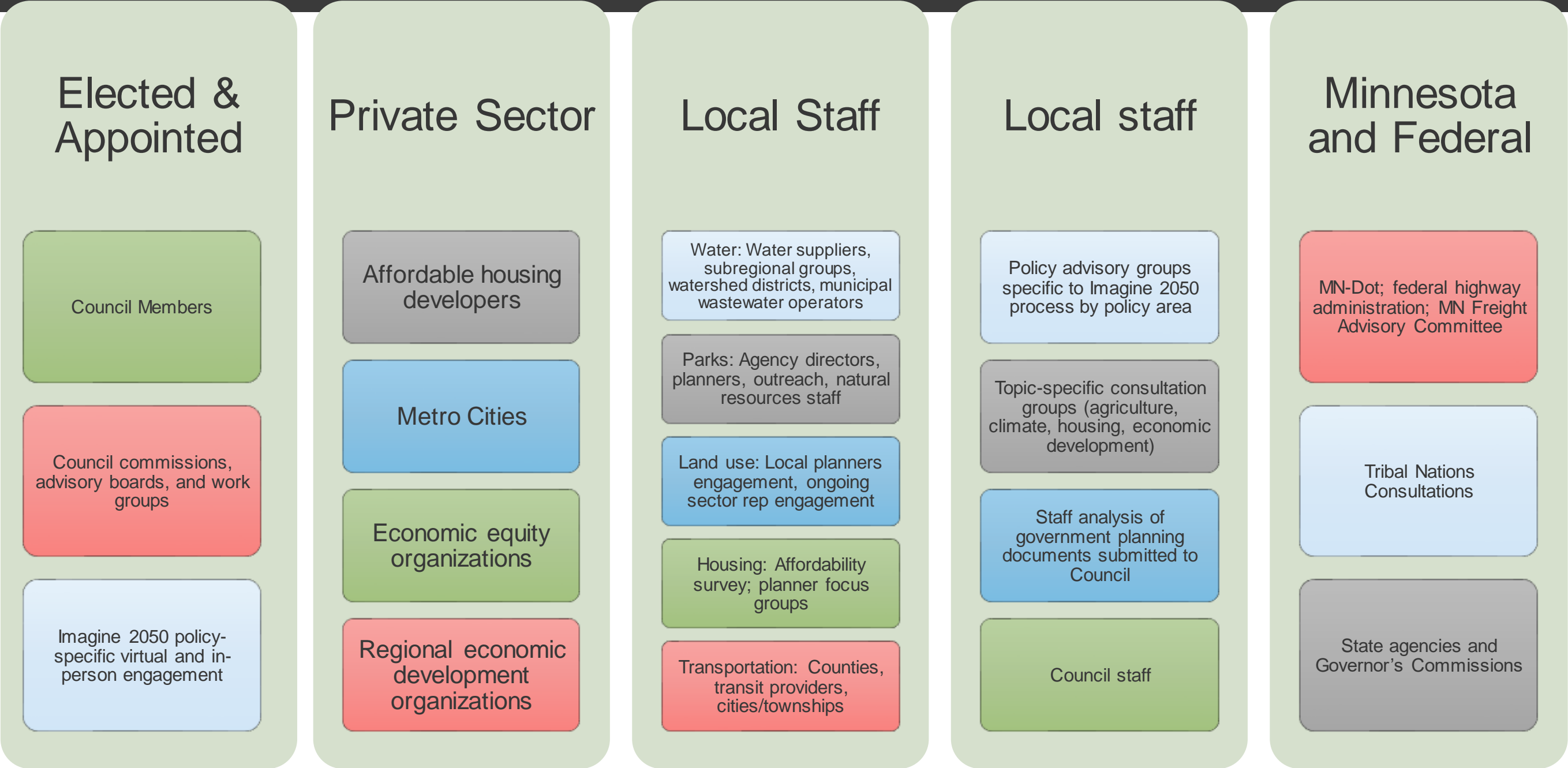
Government and private sector partners: Historic and ongoing collaborators

- Elected & Appointed Officials
- Local Staff
- Private sector
- Nonprofits
- Minnesota & Federal

Residents and advocates: Extensive and equity-focused conversations

- Historically excluded communities
- Residents using Met Council services
- Youth
- New Minnesotans
- Advocates

Government and Private Sector Partners: Historic and ongoing collaborators



Residents and advocates: Extensive and equity-focused conversations

Historically excluded communities

Black, Brown, Indigenous affinity staff and community members

Disabled advocacy staff and community members

Residents experiencing poverty and housing insecurity

Residents using Council services

Housing Voucher Recipients

Metro Transit, Metro Mobility

Park and trail visitors

Youth

Young Leaders Collaboration

Young people from historically excluded communities

Transportation needs research

Specialized topic engagement

New Minnesotans

Affinity groups

Young Leaders Collaboration

East African, Hmong, Latino, and multicultural affinity staff and community members

Advocates

Climate

Aging, disability and social service

Neighborhood organizations

Terms & Definitions

Values

Core beliefs or principles that guide the work of the Council.

Vision

Overarching description of what we want to achieve for the region.

Goals

Broad directional statements that more specifically describe the desired end states for the region.

Objectives

Achievable results that advance each regional goal.



Regional Values

Equity

We value the people and communities of our region.

Leadership

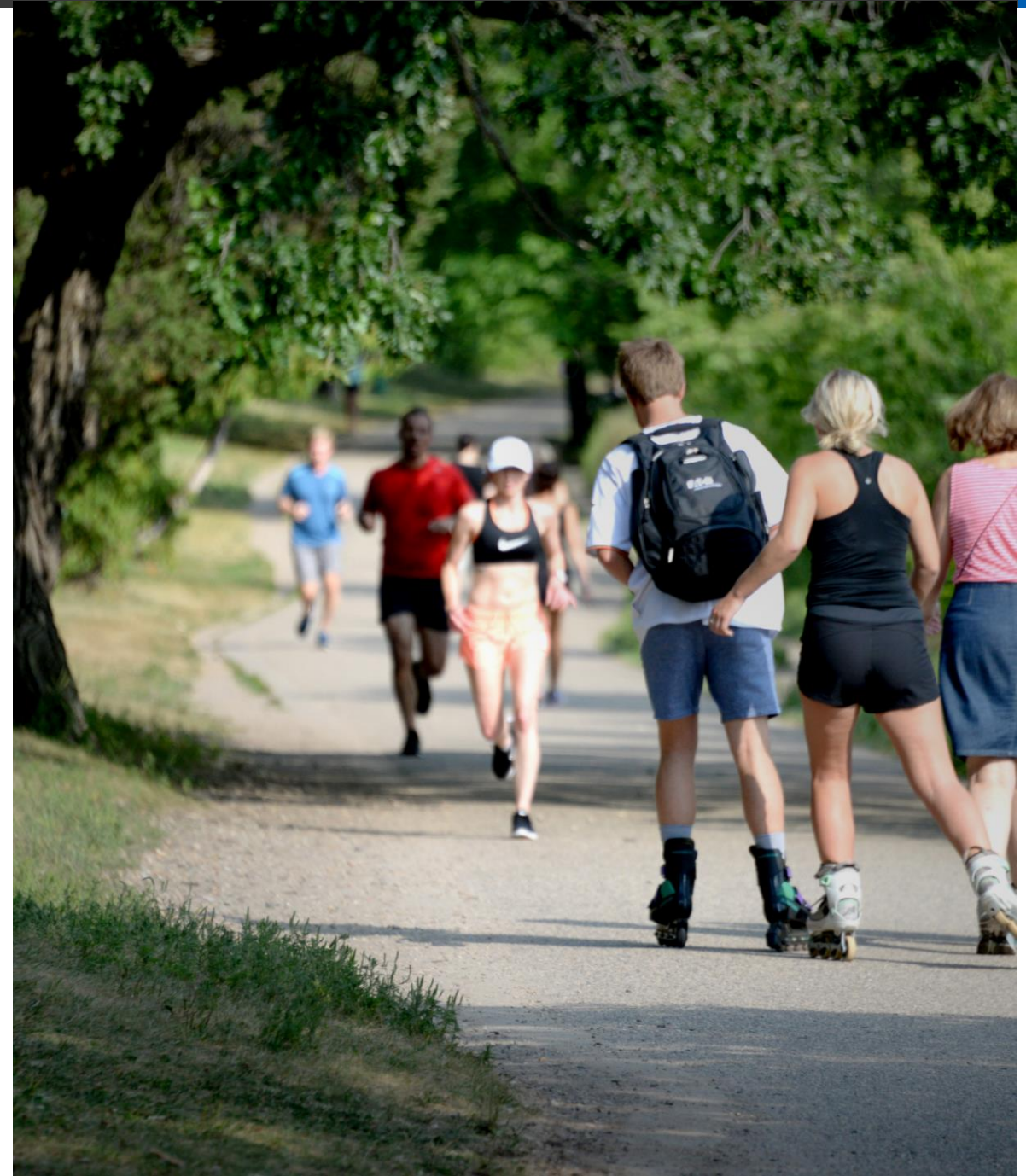
We value those in our region who inspire and motivate others for positive change.

Accountability

We value being effective in our work and achieving measurable outcomes.

Stewardship

We value our region's abundant resources.



Regional Goals

Working Draft of Regional Goals

Our Region is Equitable and Inclusive

Racial inequities and injustices experienced by historically marginalized communities have been eliminated; and all residents and newcomers feel welcome, included, and empowered.

Our Communities are Healthy and Safe

All our region's residents live healthy, productive, and rewarding lives with a sense of security, dignity, and wellbeing.

Our Region is Dynamic and Resilient

Our region meets the opportunities and challenges faced by our communities and the economy including issues of choice, accessibility, and affordability.

We Lead on Addressing Climate Change

We have mitigated greenhouse gas emissions and have adapted to ensure that our communities and systems are resilient to climate impacts.

We Protect and Restore Natural Systems

We protect, integrate, and restore natural systems to protect habitat and ensure a high quality of life for our region.



Land use objectives should...



- Address key land use and regional growth issues
- Impact more than one regional goal
- Set the stage for policy development
- Complement objectives in other policy areas

DRAFT Land Use Objective #1



Minimize the amount of land needed to accommodate regional growth.

-  Equitable & Inclusive Region
-  Dynamic & Resilient Region
-  Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
-  Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY  Primary  Secondary

DRAFT Land Use Objective #2



Maximize the development of places accessible for people by transit, bicycling, rolling, and walking.

- Equitable & Inclusive Region
- Healthy & Safe Communities
- Dynamic & Resilient Region
- Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
- ◐ Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY ● Primary ◐ Secondary

DRAFT Land Use Objective #3



Design places where all people feel safe and connected.

- Equitable & Inclusive Region
- Healthy & Safe Communities
- Dynamic & Resilient Region
- ◐ Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
- Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY ● Primary ◐ Secondary

DRAFT Land Use Objective #4



Maximize the preservation and restoration of natural systems at all scales of development.

	Equitable & Inclusive Region
●	Healthy & Safe Communities
◐	Dynamic & Resilient Region
●	Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
●	Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY ● Primary ◐ Secondary

DRAFT Land Use Objective #5



Maximize housing choice within communities.

- Equitable & Inclusive Region
- ◐ Healthy & Safe Communities
- Dynamic & Resilient Region
- Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
- Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY ● Primary ◐ Secondary

DRAFT Land Use Objective #6



Remedy past and present discriminatory land use practices.

●	Equitable & Inclusive Region
◐	Healthy & Safe Communities
●	Dynamic & Resilient Region
	Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
	Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY ● Primary ◐ Secondary

DRAFT Land Use Objective #7



Prioritize land use and development patterns that strengthen local climate resilience.

	Equitable & Inclusive Region
◐	Healthy & Safe Communities
◐	Dynamic & Resilient Region
●	Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, & Resilience
●	Natural System Protection & Restoration

KEY ● Primary ◐ Secondary

Summary

	Equitable & Inclusive Region	Healthy & Safe Communities	Dynamic & Resilient Region	Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, and Resilience	Natural Systems Protection & Restoration
1. Minimize the amount of land needed to accommodate regional growth.					
2. Maximize the development of places accessible for people by transit, bicycling, rolling, and walking.					
3. Design places where all people feel safe and connected.					
4. Maximize the preservation and restoration of natural systems at all scales of development.					
5. Maximize housing choice within communities.					
6. Remedy past and present discriminatory land use practices.					
7. Prioritize land use and development patterns that strengthen local climate resilience.					

Discussion

When it comes to land use and guiding the growth of the region:

Do the proposed objectives advance those regional goals?

Are the objectives clear in their intent?

Are any objectives that would advance regional goals missing?

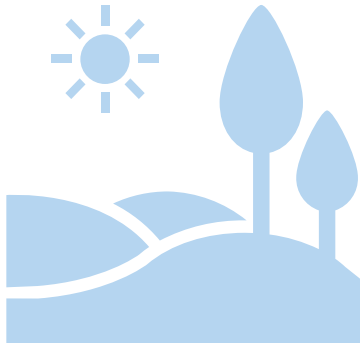
Future engagement efforts and initiatives



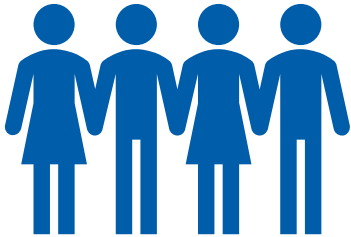
Technical advisory groups working with engagement data



Local government engagement:
One-on-ones, rural engagement with food producers, topic-based focus groups



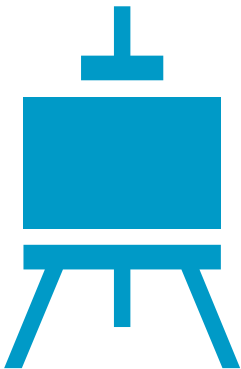
Study results:
Water Values Survey, Transportation Needs in Everyday Life, Parks Historical Cultural Study, Housing analysis of developers' perspectives



Population forecasts engagement



Second regional land use cohort expands beyond youth



Arts in Policy Planning, "Creatively Imagine 2050"

Next Steps



Ongoing and upcoming:

- Review feedback from stakeholders and make revisions
- Continue to engage stakeholders and integrate engagement findings
- Continue cross divisional coordination
- Discuss density policy considerations
- Draft land use policies and supporting actions for discussion with LUAC, CDC, and stakeholders
- Develop recommendations for land use policies and actions with stakeholders



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