



Imagine 2050 Land Use 60% Draft

Community Development Committee

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Today's Conversation



Agenda

Overview and update since last meeting

Big picture review

Substantive updates

Review of changes by objective

Engagement Schedules

Next Steps for Land Use Policy

Focus for 2050



A people-centered approach - Elevate the voices of underrepresented communities; value their feedback in equal measure; consider the individual experience within the built form.

Manage growth responsibly and respectfully - Balance competing interests and perspectives of many stakeholders and partners

Aligning need with opportunity - People have what they need within a proximity they choose, with travel and housing options that meet their needs

Community connections - Support communities of all types and re-establish social connections

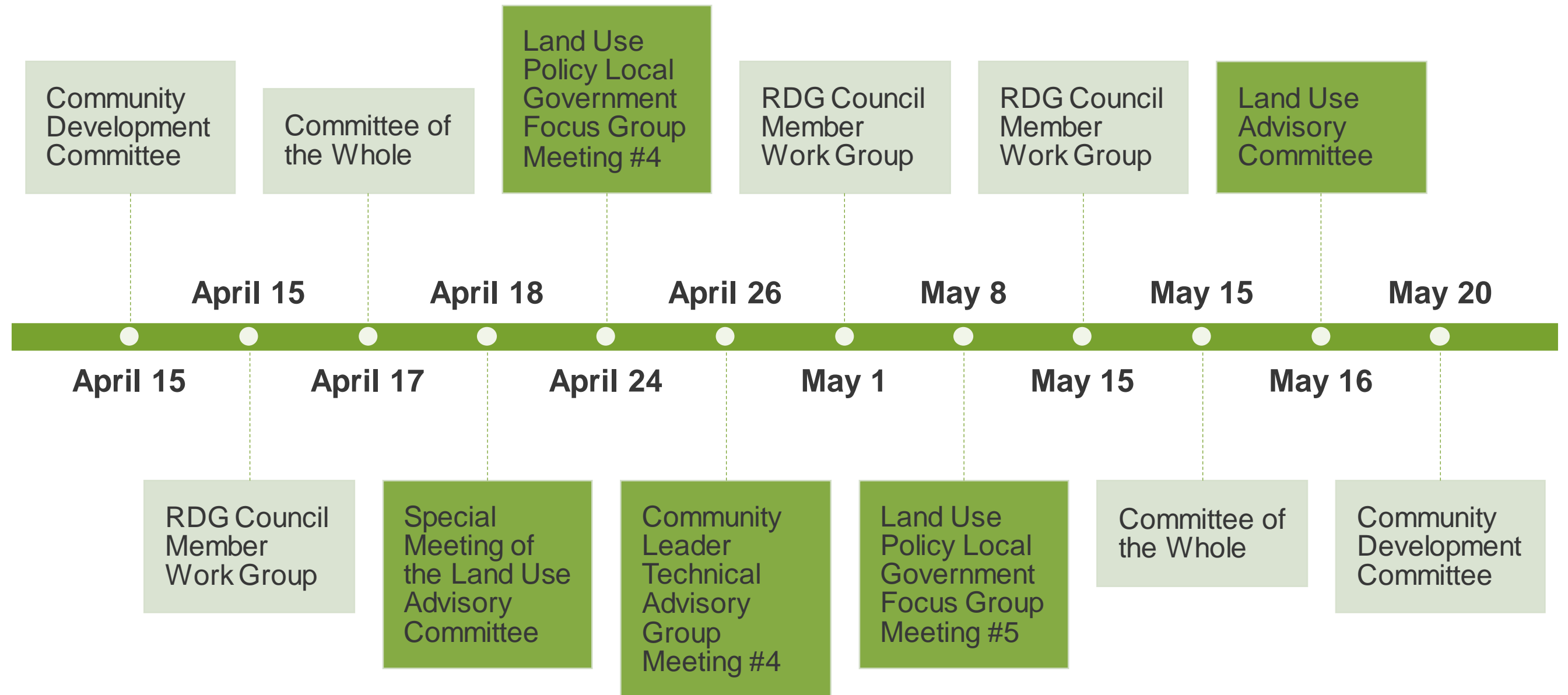
Natural systems - Value the environment more holistically, including all living beings; more than just for extractive value.

Climate resilience - Through an EJ lens, focus adaptation and mitigation measures to build local climate resilience through development practices

Equitable development - Remedy discriminatory land use practices

Economic wellbeing – Support the economic health of people, address economic inequities, and foster a green economy

What's happened in a month?



Response to comments

Key takeaways

- Need for clear identification of Council and/or Community Roles
 - Who is responsible?
- Need for all community types to be able to “see” themselves in the plans
 - Urban, Suburban, and Rural as well as Community
- Local governments
 - Uncertain about what requirements will result from new policies
 - Support for connections between land use and other policy areas
 - Support for technical assistance and planning resources
 - Need for ongoing discussions as policy plans continue to develop



Big picture review

Broad Changes

- Added introductory language
- Reorganization and consolidation for clarity and reduced repetition.
- Clarified and reorganized, where needed
- Consolidated and reduced repetition
- Used more concise language
- Used terminology consistently
- Added links to resources referenced within content

Context and Statute

- Added context around concepts (rolling land supply), terms (nature-based approaches), principles (universal design), or examples for better understanding of purpose and intended outcomes.
- Added missing language or clarification for Statutory requirements:
 - Aggregate resources
 - Historic preservation and cultural assets
 - Climate change requirements
 - Planning for access to solar

Substantive changes



Density Analysis Report Finalized

Added approach to evaluate feasibility of demand and development of land uses based on practicality.

- Ensures both the intensity (density range) and location of planned developments are practical.
- Differentiates between what is merely allowed and what is plausible.
- Provides a realistic framework for land use planning.
- Plan for land uses that are realistically marketable within the planning period.
- Prevent the overestimation of development outcomes.
- Reduces the risk of underutilized infrastructure, inefficient land management, and implausible planned densities.

Substantive changes

More than one housing type

- More than one housing type required in residential land use categories
 - Requires density ranges broad enough to accommodate more than one housing type.
 - Previously included in the housing objective.

Context for Orderly Annexation

- Added support for protection of long-term viability of growth and development of Rural Centers.
- Added Council evaluation of impact of interim uses in rural areas where the extension of long-term regional service may be under consideration or planning to ensure conformance with regional system plans and avoid departures from those plans.

Land Use Objectives

1



Respect the relationship with land and water as a foundation for regional growth.

2



Maximize opportunities for growth in places well-served by transit, bicycle, and pedestrian infrastructure.

3



Establish vibrant, inclusive, connected and safe communities for people to live in.

4



Prioritize land use and development activities that protect, restore, and enhance natural systems at all scales.

5



Ensure that people in all types of communities find housing opportunities that align with their needs.

6



Remedy past and present discriminatory land use practices.

7



Implement land use and development practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, embed climate adaptation, and create resilient communities.

8



Support the economic wellbeing of our region and its communities.

General changes by Objective

Objective 1 (growth mgmt)

- Context for rolling land supply
- Added support for Green Acres program alongside Ag Preserves Program
- Combined redevelopment content from housing objective
- Refined language from density approaches discussion in the Density Analysis Report
- Added context and support for development and land use stewardship that integrates natural systems in design and implementation

Objective 2 (transportation)

- Strengthened acknowledgement of existing road system and personal vehicle use
- Opportunity for connected uses in proximity to daily needs
- Added support for residential growth and supportive commercial growth through mixed uses with multiple travel choices
- Added support for vehicle-dependent uses like industrial, freight, and warehousing development around existing infrastructure availability

General changes by Objective

Objective 3 (community design)

- Strengthen concepts around connectivity through design; transportation and community connections
- Context for universal design (design for all people; inclusive built environment)
- Integrated references from other objectives about green infrastructure
- Clarification on meaning of culturally expansive ordinances

Objective 4 (natural systems)

- Consistently referring to protection, restoration, and enhancement throughout
- Some references moved to other objectives to better integrate throughout
- Inclusion of water more explicitly within natural systems
- Clarification regarding Council and community roles
- Changed reference from environmental justice to overburdened communities

General changes by Objective

Objective 5 (housing)

- Alignment between the Housing Policy chapter and the housing land objective
- Housing policy focuses on:
 - Homelessness
 - Metro HRA and Grant programs (LCA)
- Land use objective on housing focuses on:
 - Housing within land use categories
 - Housing supportive land uses
 - Diversity of housing types close to destinations

Objective 6 (equity)

- Added emphasis on accountability through regular reporting and data maintenance
- Added procurement process improvements to help remove barriers to engagement with community organizations

General changes by Objective

Objective 7 (climate change)

- Added references to new statutory climate requirements
- Overall consolidation, repetition reduction and context improvements
- Some references moved to other objectives to better integrate throughout
- Clarified urban tree canopy aims, including work on Emerald Ash Borer
- Added specificity and clarifying language to food systems policy

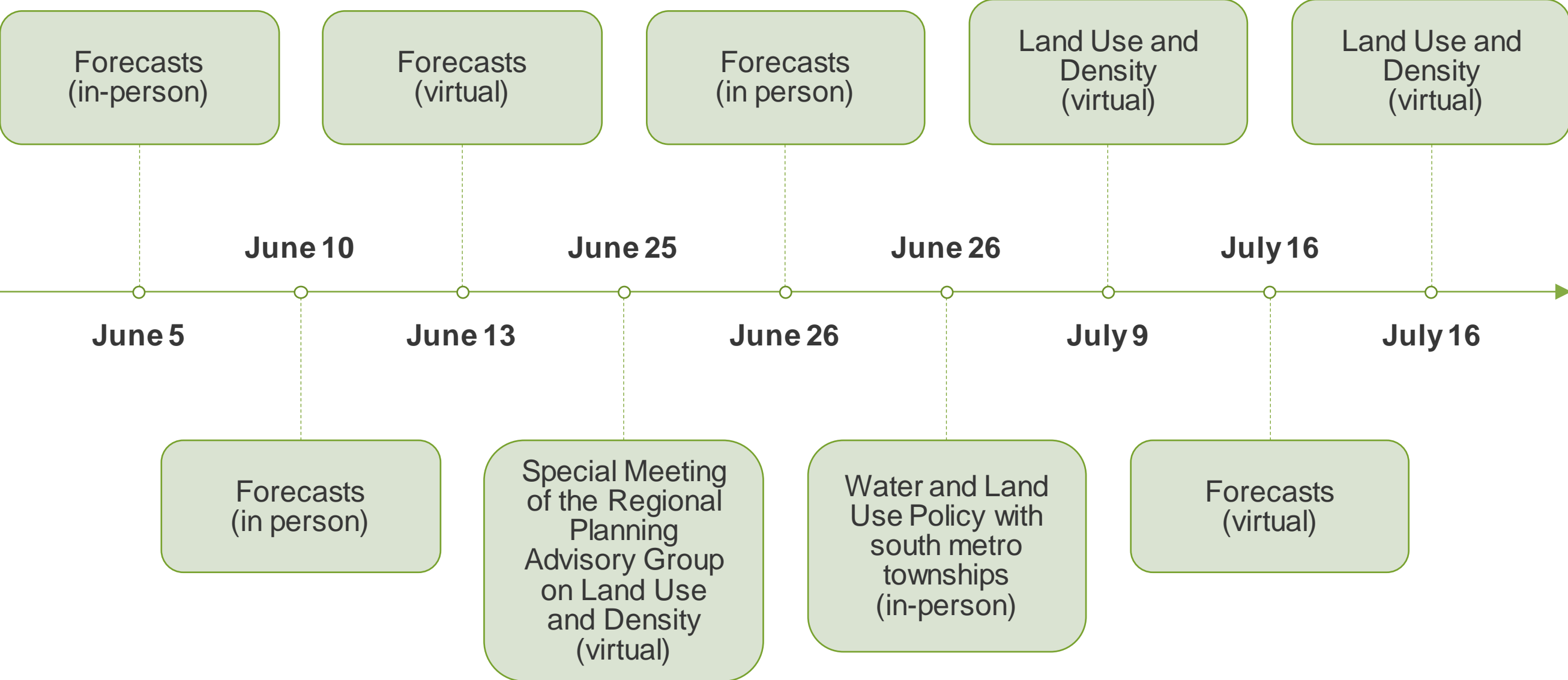
Objective 8 (economic wellbeing)

- Closer tie-ins from the adopted regional Economic Framework
- Focus on promotion of a just economy through economic growth and wellbeing
- Equitable access to economic resources

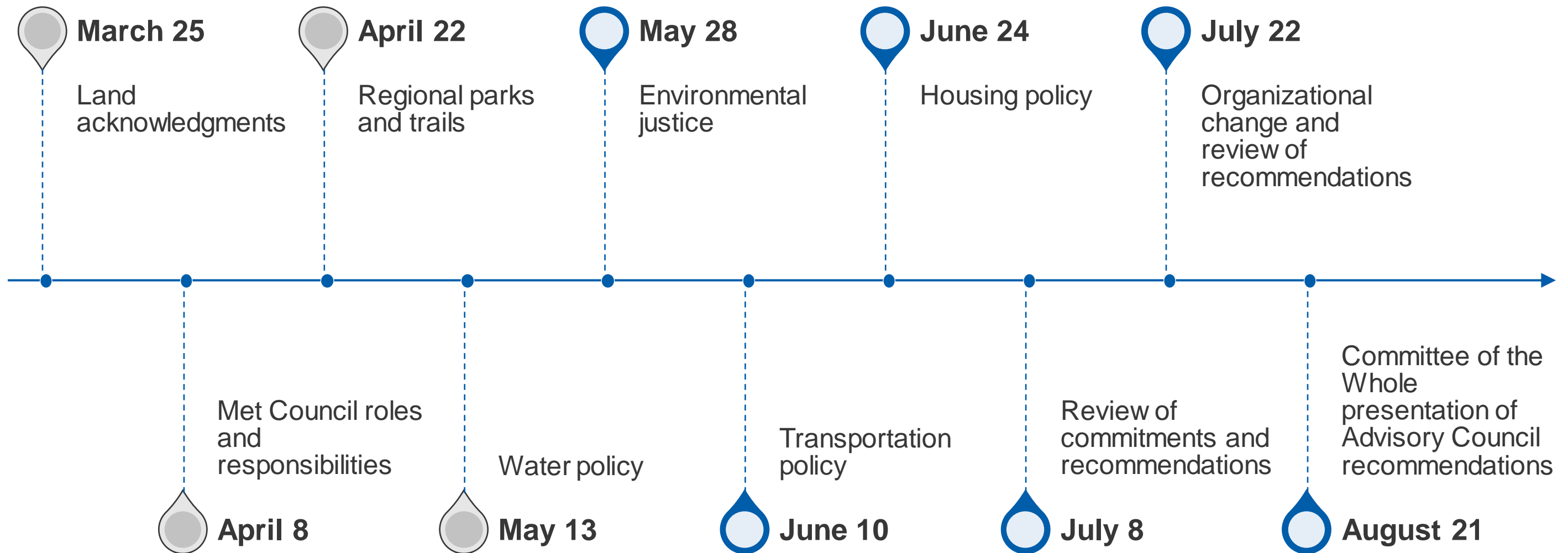
Schedules and Next Steps



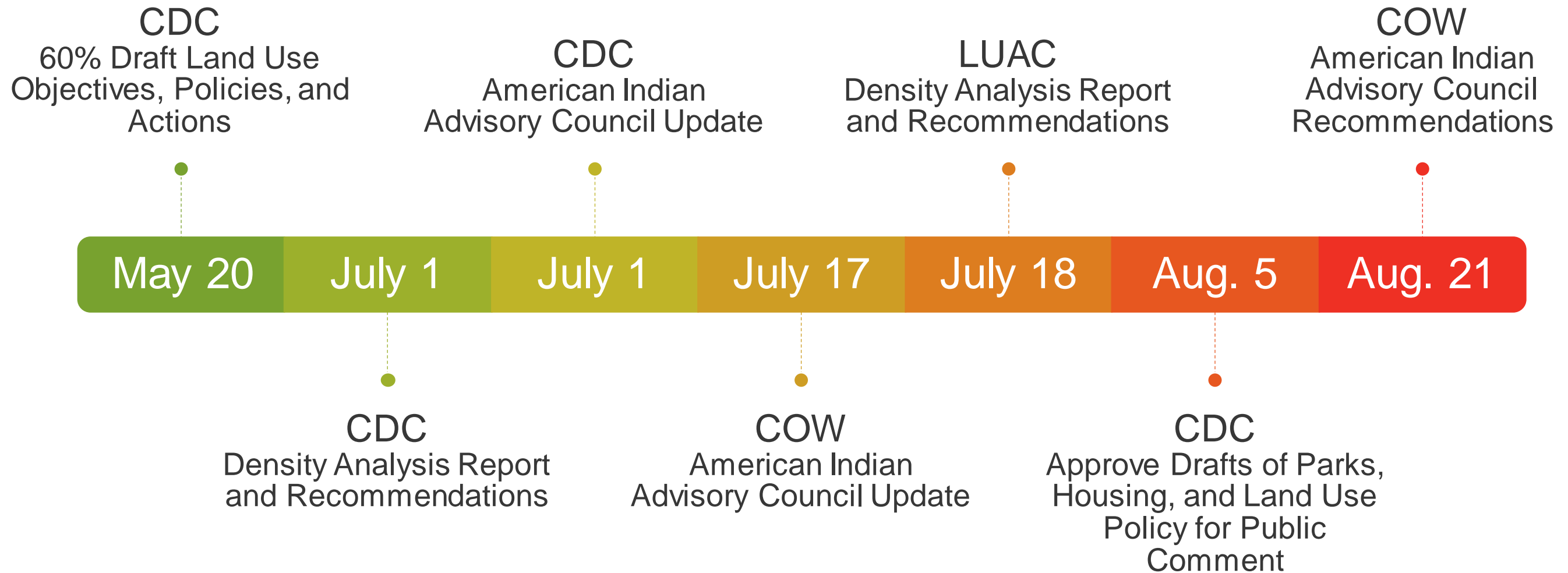
Forecasts/Land Use Engagement Schedule



American Indian Advisory Council Schedule



Tentative Committee Schedule



Next Steps for Land Use Policy

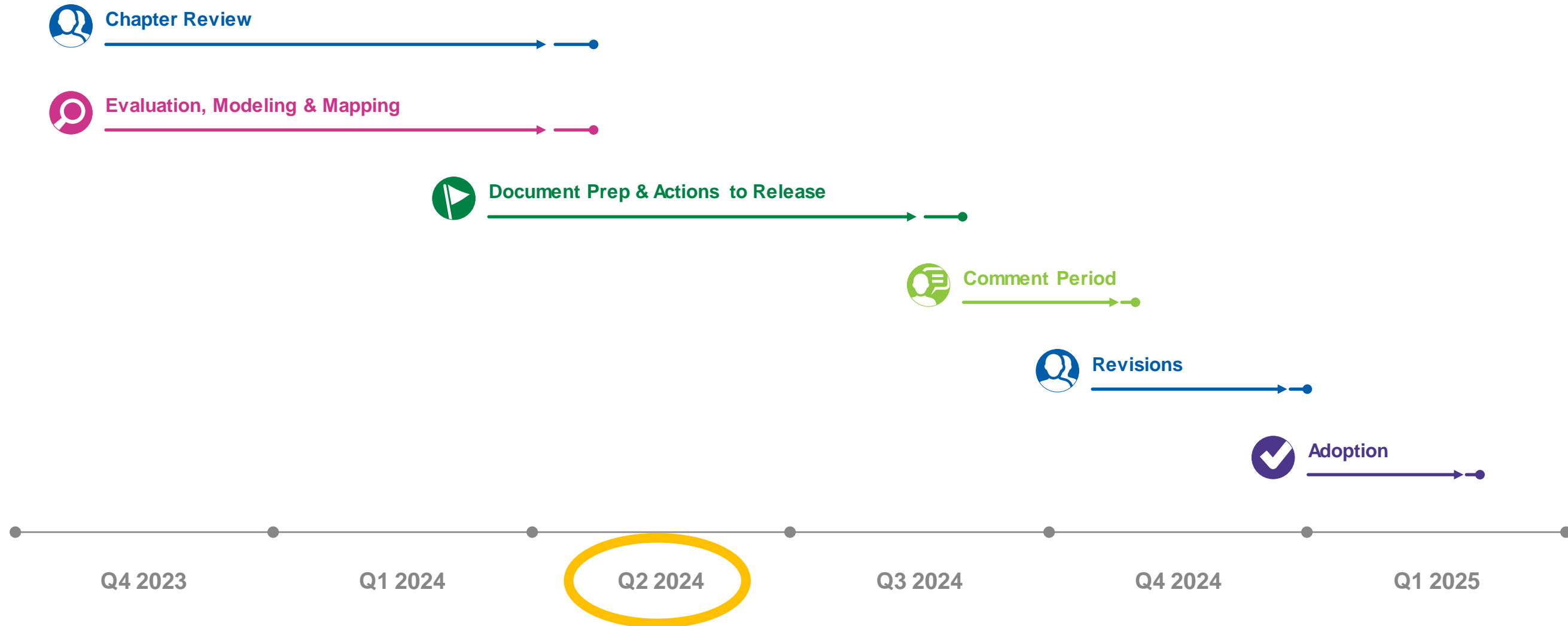


Moving towards the public comment draft

- Review Density Analysis Report and Recommendations (July 1st)
- CDC and LUAC will be discussing:
 - TOD Analysis and Recommendations
 - Criteria for MUSA Expansion
 - Criteria for performance-based flexibility and program needs (enrollment, eligibility, tracking)
- Review draft language against Equity, Environmental Justice, Community-Centered Engagement, and Anti-Displacement Frameworks
- Balance revisions; weigh feedback of underrepresented communities to ensure voices are heard equitably.
- Follow Council direction to be bold, address regional racial disparities, and center community voices in policy development.

Overall RDG Timeline

August 14, 2024: Met Council action – Release Imagine 2050 for public comment
September 25, 2024 – Tentative formal public hearing
October 7, 2024 – Close of formal public comment period





Questions

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