2050 Regional Development Guide

Vision, Values, and Goals

Equity Advisory Committee

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METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

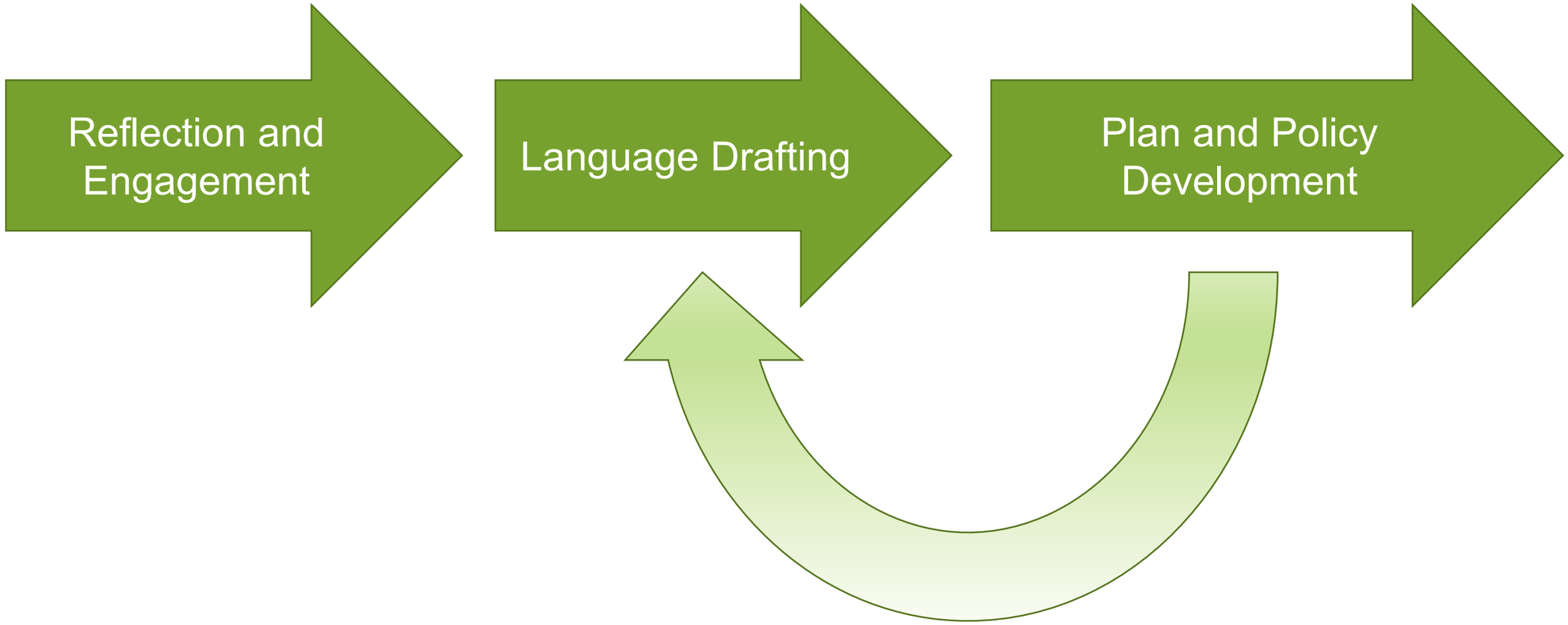
Overview

- Why a regional vision
- Staff observations of Thrive MSP 2040
- Next steps
- Feedback

Vision Qualities

- Creates mental picture of desired future
- Inspirational and unambiguous
- Direction for plan / policy development

Vision Process

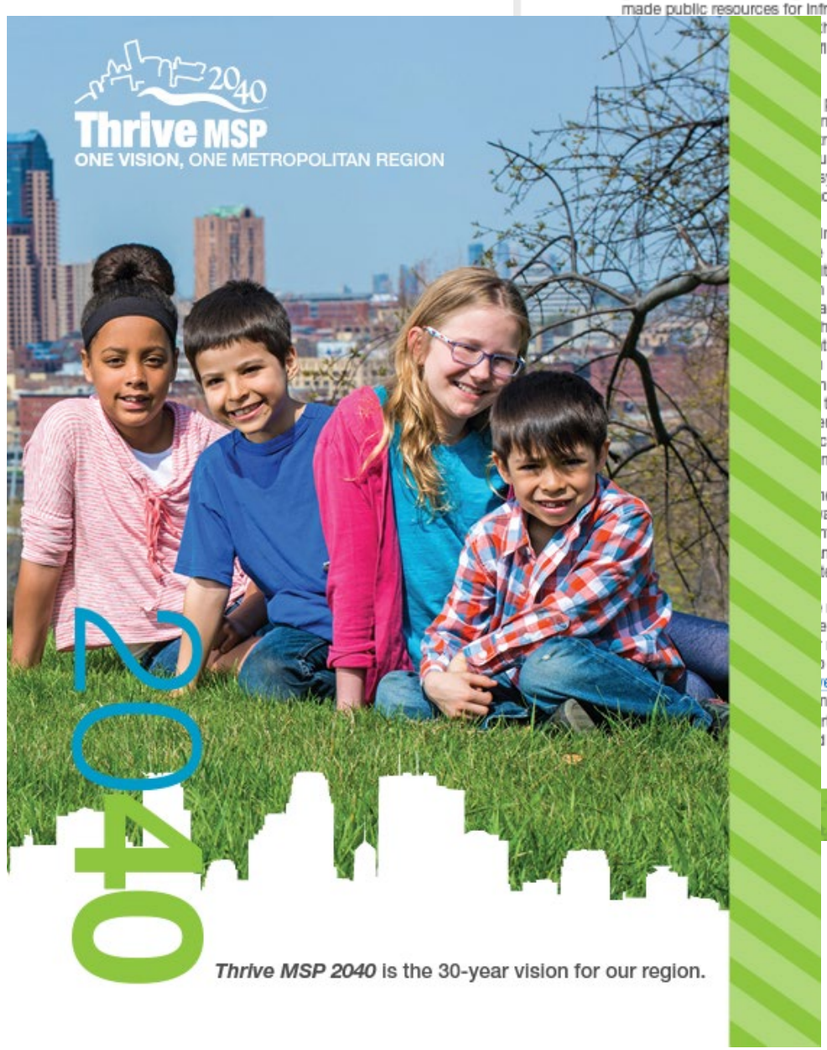


Thrive MSP 2040

The Metropolitan Council has listened to the aspirations voiced by the region's residents, civic, nonprofit, and business leaders, and government officials and woven their thoughts and hopes into five desired outcomes that define our shared regional vision:

Thrive Outcomes

- Stewardship
- Prosperity
- Equity
- Livability
- Sustainability



Thrive MSP 2040 is the 30-year vision for our region.

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Pivoting from expanding to maintaining our region's wastewater and highway infrastructure

As with preserving natural resources, the Council is expected to be a wise steward of public financial resources and to strategically, effectively, and efficiently guide those dollars to the greatest benefit to our region. The combination of structural and demographic changes has made public resources for infrastructure expansion and preservation much more limited
century. Consequently, it becomes more critical that we make
financial decisions to maximize the benefit from the resources

pavement and the aging condition of the regional sewers
nvesting significantly more in their preservation, maintenance,
rike a new balance between being good stewards of the
uilding more. As a result, the Council is pivoting from an
systems—especially wastewater and highways—to maintaining
d maximizing the impact of limited dollars.

ng, combined with slowed population growth and reduced
last decade, has created a regional wastewater treatment
ty and service coverage planned through at least 2040.
improvements at the regional and local levels have helped
acity and life of the existing wastewater treatment system.
n to 2040 suggests minimal need to expand the wastewater
t beyond that negotiated between the Council and local
2030 local comprehensive plans. As a result, the Council's
from managing the edge of the system to ensuring adequate
the redeveloping areas of the region in order to efficiently use
nts. Although it has reduced 30-year population forecasts for
cil will provide necessary infrastructure to honor existing 2030
ncluded in the Metropolitan Urban Service Area by 2040.

nent strategy exemplifies the need and the opportunity for
ardship of resources. The existing system is a significant public
ntained and preserved for future generations. Concerns about
nd freight movement must be balanced with available funding
term sustainability.

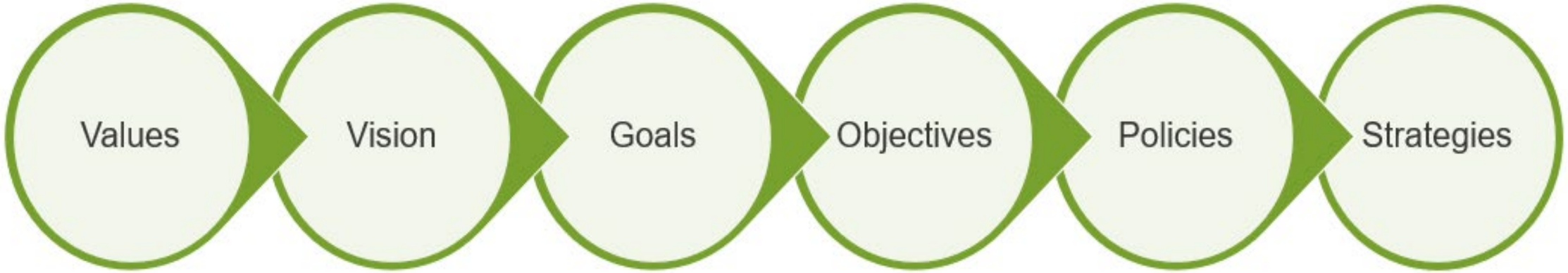
region's principal arterial network is essentially complete and
ebuilding and replacement needs are increasing as federal,
roads and bridges lose ground to inflation. Moreover, gas tax
improved fuel efficiency and changing travel patterns. The
estment Plan (2013-2033) shows that the region will have $52
n 2014 to 2022 for highway mobility improvements. This is a
rtation Policy Plan projections and falls significantly short of
2023, all state highway funding will be devoted to rebuilding

Thrive Lessons Learned

- Stewardship
- Prosperity
- Equity
- Livability
- Sustainability

- More like principles or values than vision
- Excessive context and reflection
- Lack of clarity
- Competing priorities / tradeoffs not addressed

From Values to Implementation



Exploratory Issues

- Affordability
- Climate
- Equity
- Infrastructure
- Pandemic Recovery
- Public Health
- Resiliency
- Shared Prosperity
- Stewardship
- Welcoming and Safe Communities

Vision Question Considerations

What are the Region's Values?

- How do they relate to the Council's influence?
- How do they relate to the work of our partners?

What is the Region's Vision?

- How do our values inform our vision?
- How should the language be organized? How much detail is needed?
- What are key interrelationships among issues?

What are high-level outcomes we want to achieve?

- What do we measure?
- What are "leading indicators" of success?

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What should be the region's VISION?

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What could be high-level OUTCOMES OR GOALS?

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Next Steps

Public Engagement Plan

- Advisory Groups
- Metro Cities / local government
- Tribal Consultation
- Youth / Young Adult Cohort concept

Foundational Materials

- Comp plan composite analysis
- Regional SWOT inventory
- Existing vision and values statements

Council Engagement

- Executive Committee / Committee of the Whole
- Staff working groups

Questions and Discussion

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