



# Equity in Scenario Planning

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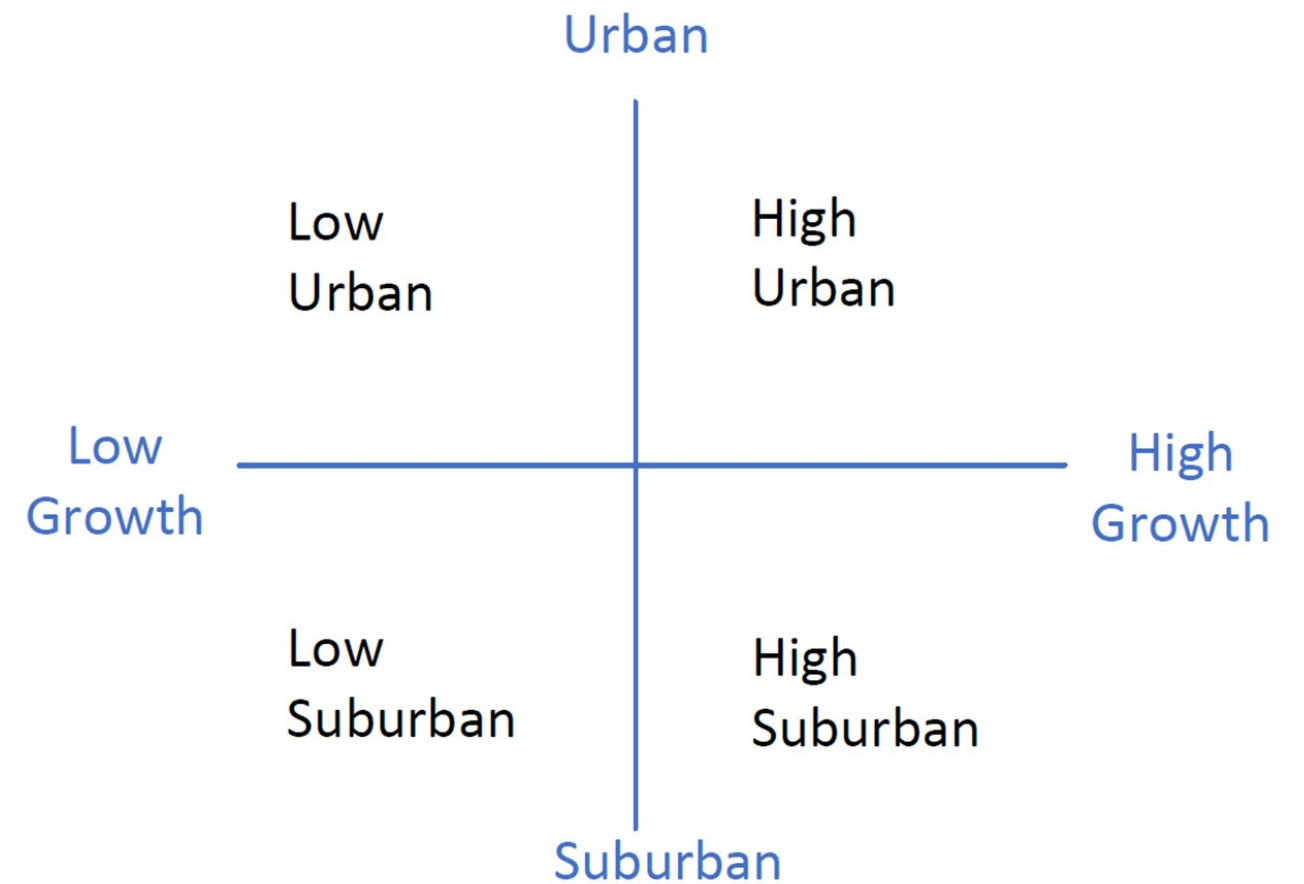
# Scenario Planning



- Planning for an uncertain future.
- Asking ‘what if’ questions.
- Preparing for different possibilities.

# Uncertainties

- **How much will the region grow?**  
High growth vs low growth
- **Where will the region grow?**  
Urban core vs suburban areas



# What are the equity implications of different scenarios?

## Equity in the future

- What if the future differs from what we expected?
- What happens to communities in each scenario?
- Which communities would benefit from each scenario?
- Which communities would be negatively impacted?

# Housing Example



## Housing affordability in High Urban Growth scenario

- High population growth drives up **housing prices** in the region, especially in the urban core.
- Housing becomes **less affordable** for everyone, but especially for low-income residents in urban areas.
- Lower-income people face the risk of **displacement** in urban areas.

# Today's Discussion Questions

- How does a scenario impact your community in terms of housing, transportation etc.?
- What concerns would you have in a scenario? What would you be excited about?
- Who benefits from a scenario? Who is negatively impacted?

# Next Step: A Regional Conversation

- In your opinion, what scenario works best for the region?
- Which one is the worst?
- What can we do to steer the region toward the best while avoiding the worst?

**Thank you!**

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