



Land Use Objectives

Land Use Advisory Committee



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Today's Conversation

- Update on regional planning activities
- Review of key topics
- Draft land use objectives
- Discussion
- Next Steps

Regional Planning Update

Where we have been

- ✓ Endorsed regional vision and values
- ✓ Identified five regional goals
- ✓ Completed the Young Leaders Cohort
- ✓ Selected title for 2050 RDG
- ✓ 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 for review

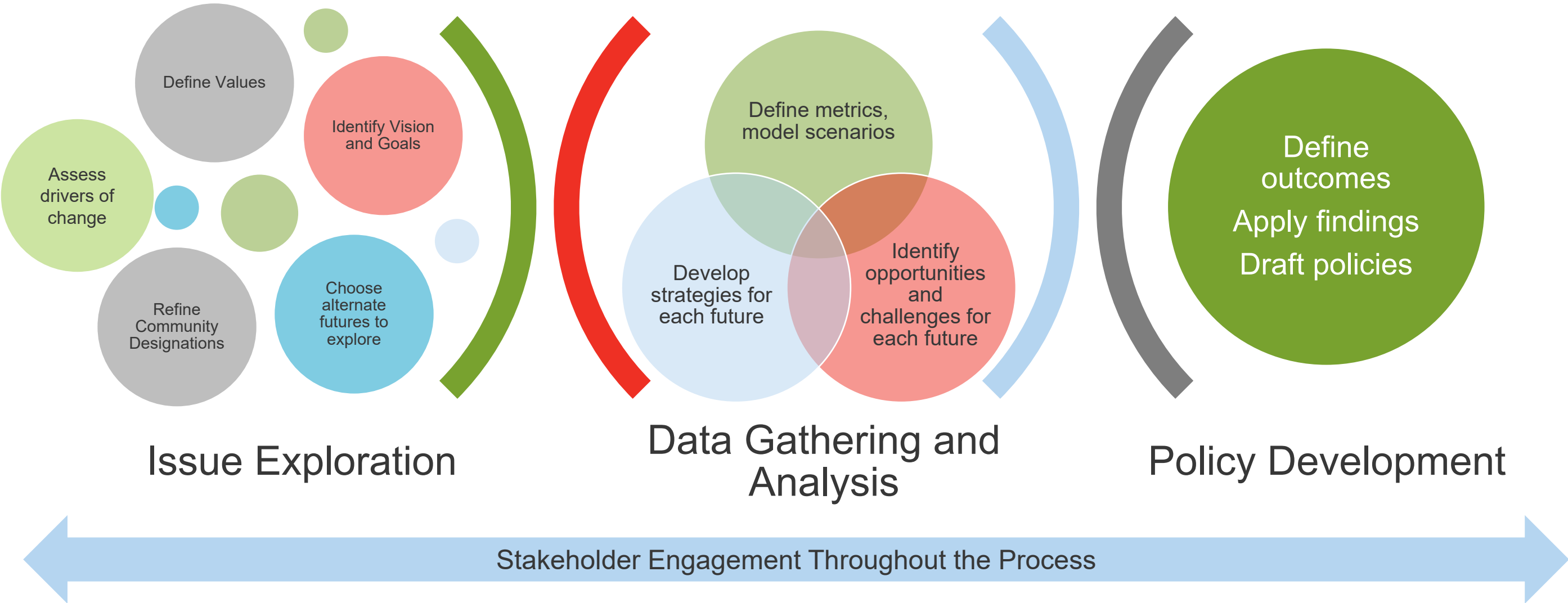
Planning for Regional Growth



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



Engagement

Ongoing work

- Local governments and established partners
- Sector Representatives
- Standing meetings/groups
- Council meetings, Committees, and Work Groups
- Cross-divisional collaboration
- Professional organizations and conferences

Broad Engagement

- Targeted and specific outreach
- Topic-based engagement
- Constituent cohorts
- Surveys/Forms or other electronic feedback
- Community events

New Efforts with Existing Partners

- Regional Planning Advisory Group with Metro Cities
- Tribal Consultation and urban Indian organizations
- Center for Economic Inclusion and Greater MSP
- Governor's Council on Age-Friendly MN
- Local Planning Stories shared by city, township, or county staff
- Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA) at UofM

New Initiatives

- Young Leaders Collab
- Historical-Cultural Study
- Regional Policy Cohorts
- Rural Focus Groups with MN Dept of Ag
- Climate and Natural Resources Policy Focus groups
- Environmental Justice Framework Advisory Group

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

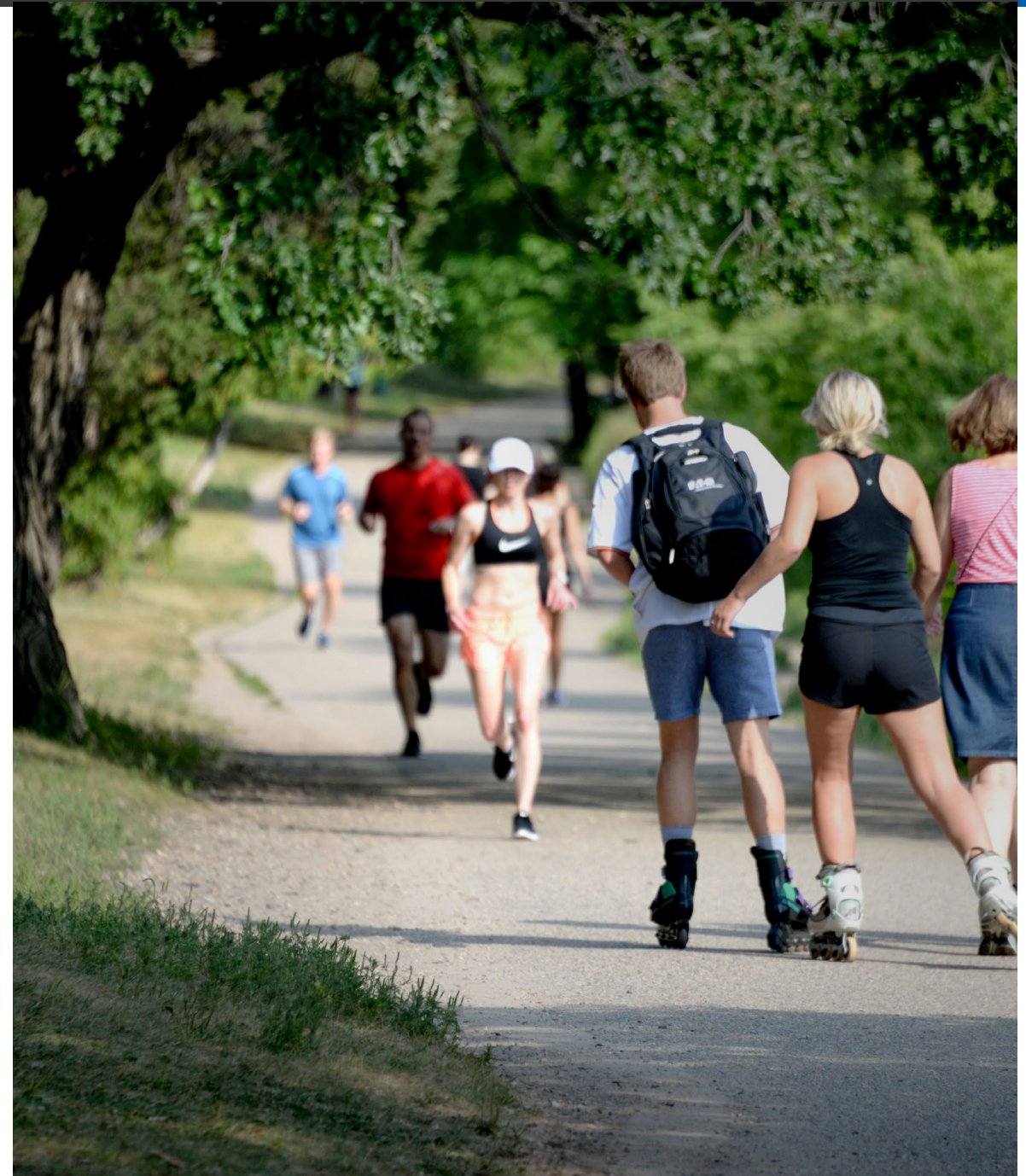
We value those in our region who inspire and motivate others for positive change.

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

Healthy & Safe Communities



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.

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| | 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.

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| ● | 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.

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| | 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 |
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| Minimize the amount of land needed to accommodate regional growth. | ◐ | | ◐ | ● | ● |
| Maximize the development of places accessible for people by transit, bicycling, rolling, and walking. | ● | ● | | ● | ◐ |
| Design places where all people feel safe and connected. | ● | ● | ● | ◐ | |
| Maximize the preservation and restoration of natural systems at all scales of development. | | ● | ◐ | ● | ● |
| Maximize housing choice within communities. | ● | ◐ | ● | | |
| Remedy past and present discriminatory land use practices. | ● | ◐ | ● | | |
| 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:

1. Do the proposed objectives advance those regional goals?
2. Are the objectives clear in their intent?
3. Are any objectives that would advance regional goals missing?

Next Steps



Coming up...

- Review feedback from LUAC and other ongoing engagement efforts, and make revisions
- Introduction of land use objectives to the Community Development Committee
- Continue to engage stakeholders
- Continue cross divisional coordination
- Continued iterative revisions as needed
- Draft land use policies and supporting actions for discussion with LUAC and CDC



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