

Group 1 Goals Work Session:

SMART Goals:

- Specific - say what you want to achieve.
- Measurable - know when you have succeeded.
- Achievable – are challenging but also realistic.
- Relevant - has to have an emotional tie and mean something.
- Timed – must be timed.

Housing and Neighborhoods

“OFFER A WIDE VARIETY OF QUALITY HOUSING OPTIONS FOR ALL INCOMES, AGES AND ABILITIES” – *Imagine Bloomington Vision Statement*

“EMBRACE ALL OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AS ACTIVE AND VITAL COMMUNITY ASSETS THAT NEED ESSENTIAL SERVICES, INFRASTRUCTURE, ASSISTANCE, HISTORIC PROTECTION AND ACCESS TO SMALL-SCALED MIXED-USE CENTERS.” – *Imagine Bloomington Vision Statement*

“RECOGNIZE THE MANY VIRTUES OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION, REHABILITATION AND REUSE OF OUR HISTORIC STRUCTURES.” – *Imagine Bloomington Vision Statement*

Discussion Topics:

- Define quality housing – types, size, location, sustainable metrics
- Define housing options – gap analysis (income, ability), services, changing demographics (Ages, multigenerational, co-housing)
- Define active and vital neighborhoods
- List essential services, infrastructure, and assistance – proximity of goods and services, government/non-profit services, other
- Role of historic preservation for neighborhoods – protection, financial assistance, awareness, conservation districts, etc.
- List the virtues of historic preservation – community character, green, check/balance towards new development proposals with neighborhood expectations
- Access to small-scaled mixed use centers – locations, size, market conditions

Goal Specific Concepts: What should we achieve for housing and neighborhoods?

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2002 GPP Goals:

- Redirect commercial development
- Protect and enhance neighborhoods
- Increase residential densities in the urbanized area

Downtown

“NURTURE OUR VIBRANT AND HISTORIC DOWNTOWN AS THE FLOURISHING CENTER OF THE COMMUNITY.” – *Imagine Bloomington Vision Statement*

Discussion Topics:

- List downtown elements that need nurturing – physical/spatial, services, beautification, arts/culture, energy
- List key downtown characteristics of a flourishing center – diversity, accessibility, businesses (CBD) and residential mix, big city vs. town, employment center
- Define historic for downtown – buildings, activities, tourism, other
- Key policies that can respond to challenges of a successful downtown – changing demographics, safety, 8-6 or 24/7 culture, transportation, other

Goal Specific Concepts: What should we achieve for Downtown Bloomington?

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2002 GPP Goals:

- Improve downtown vitality
- Maintain Bloomington’s historic character

Land Use

“ENSURE ALL LAND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY MAKES A POSITIVE AND LASTING COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION.” – *Imagine Bloomington Vision Statement*

“PROVIDE A SAFE, EFFICIENT, ACCESSIBLE AND CONNECTED SYSTEM OF TRANSPORTATION THAT EMPHASIZES PUBLIC TRANSIT, WALKING, AND BIKING TO ENHANCE OPTIONS TO REDUCE OUR OVERALL DEPENDENCE ON THE AUTOMOBILE.” – *Imagine Bloomington Vision Statement*

Discussion Topics:

- List keys to “positive” community land development contributions – reuse, healthy/active living, public amenities, employment
- List keys to “lasting” community contributions – physical/design, architecture, social equity, environmental, public dedication, placemaking
- Define rehabilitation and reuse – uses, building types (single family, multifamily, commercial, industrial)
- Land Uses are closely related to infrastructure – Transportation/infrastructure shape Land Uses and can help us understand where/how should we grow

Goal Specific Concepts: What should land use achieve for Bloomington?

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2002 GPP Goals:

- Limit the spatial extent of community growth
- Promote environmentally sensitive development