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Architecture

the design (form, function) of a building

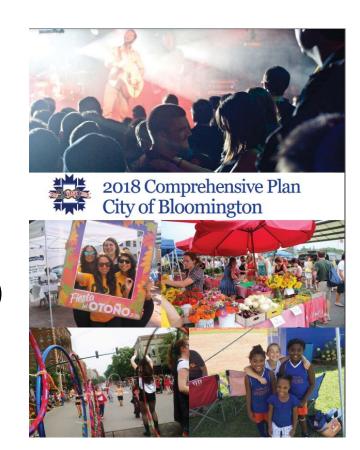
Planning

the design (form, function) of a city, town, neighborhood, corridor, block, intersection...



Comprehensive Planning

- future-oriented
- long time horizon (10-20 yrs)
- is guidance; *not* law



Current Planning

- present-oriented
- dictates land use and development norms
- is law

BLOOMINGTONINDIANA









UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

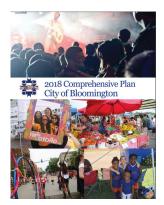


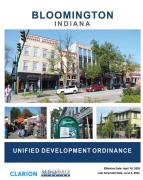


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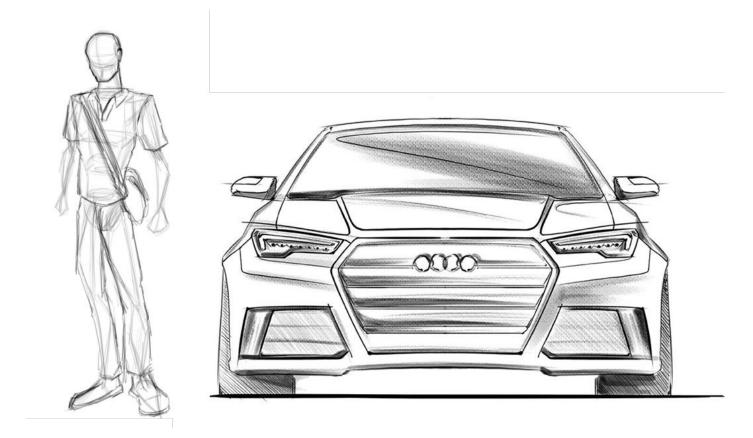


Both documents attempt to reconcile *the* primary tension of our built environment...









Which is the fundamental unit of "being"?





earliest human settlements to 1950

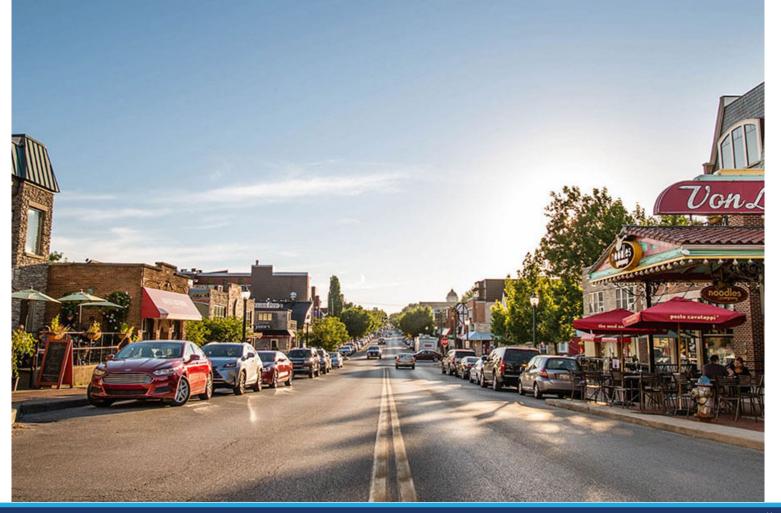










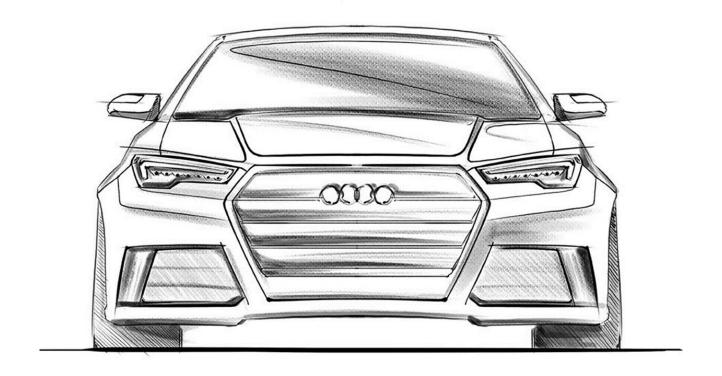












1950 to today



Post-WWII confluence of factors...

- Cheap oil
- Cheap land
- GI Bill
- Federal Highway System
- Mass production of automobiles+
- Mass consumption
- Post-war prosperity / sky's-the-limit
- Great Migration, urban in/outflux















































The 2nd Street Corridor A vibrant mixed-use development connected to a great neighborhood park



The B-Line Plaza An active community node along Bloomington's linear trail system



The Next Great Place to Live A neighborhood that embraces diversity, sustainability, and people-first design

























































SOUTH BEND NEIGHBORHOOD INFILL

Pre-approved, ready-to build housing





South Bend Neighborhood Infill | Cottage

The Cottage

The 2-bedroom Cottage provides an efficient, yet comfortable detached option that allows single story housing living on infill lots or within a cottage court. This type includes alternative floor plan options for a side porch entry, slab on grade foundation for accessibility, and/or a stair configuration for basement access. The massing and elevation options reflect a simple vernacular character present throughout South Bend's neighborhoods.



ZONING DISTRICTS ALLOWED













Alternate Ground Floor Plan: Side porch entry option (elevation not shown here) and possible basement stair configuration



Building Type Overview	1	
Building Dimensions		
Building Height	1 story	
Building Width	24'	
Building Depth (incl. porch)	44'	
Program		
Unit Configuration	2 bed / 1 bath	
Unit Size (finished gross)	1,728 sq. ft.	
Basement (unfinished)	864 sq. ft.	
Porch (unconditioned)	144 sq. ft.	
1st Floor	864 sq. ft.	
Lot Standards		
Lot Width (min.)	32'	
Lot Width (max.)	60'	
Cost Assumptions		
Preliminary Construction Estimates *	\$200,000 - \$250,000	
Financing Options	30-yr mortgage	

 Numbers shown are for basic estimation purposes only. Pricing is based on Fall 2021 cost assumptions and are subject to future market variation.

South Bend Neighborhood Infill | Narrow House (3-bed)

The Narrow House (3-bed)

The 3-bedroom version of the Narrow House provides an efficient, yet comfortable detached, fee-simple option that allows development of the city's most skinny infill lots. It maintains the same vernacular elevation options as the 2-bedroom Narrow House, however, a 1-story rear addition accommodates a ground floor master suite. This extension could also be modified into a one-car garage, office/workshop, or attached ancillary dwelling unit.













Option B



Option C



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Second Floor

Building Dimensions	
Building Height	2 story
Building Width	20'
Building Depth (incl. porch)	51
Program	
Unit Configuration	3 bed / 2.5 bath
Unit Size (finished gross)	1,390 sq. ft.
Basement (unfinished)	830 sq. ft.
Porch (unconditioned)	136 sq. ft.
1st Floor	830 sq. ft.
2nd Floor	560 sq. ft.
Lot Standards	
Lot Width (min.)	30'
Lot Width (max.)	60'
Cost Assumptions	
Preliminary Construction Estimates *	\$220,000 - \$270,000
Financing Options	30-yr mortgage
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South Bend Neighborhood Infill | Stacked Duplex

The Stacked Duplex

The Stacked Duplex provides two identical 2-bedroom units that support a slight increase of density and the development on the city's most narrow infill lots with affordable housing options. The massing and elevation options fit within the scale and vernacular character of South Bend's oldest urban neighborhoods. An optional basement could provide storage or expansion of the ground floor unit.







South Bend Neighborhood Infill | Side-by-Side Duplex











Option C

South Bend Neighborhood Infill | Six-plex Apartment







Good night.

Questions?



