

Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(ALL) Conduct Public Hearing on the Proposed City of Fort Worth 2023 Comprehensive Plan and Adopt Ordinance Approving the City of Fort Worth 2023 Comprehensive Plan

(PUBLIC HEARING - a. Report of City Staff: Eric Fladager; b. Citizen Presentations; c. Council Action: Close the Public Hearing and Act on M&C)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan to allow the public the opportunity to give testimony and present written evidence;
2. Close the public hearing; and
3. Adopt the attached ordinance approving the City of Fort Worth 2023 Comprehensive Plan.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan is the result of a limited update that reflects the following revisions to the 2022 Comprehensive Plan.

Proposed Amendments for the 2023 Comprehensive Plan:

1. The *Population Trends, Economic Trends, and Financial Trends* chapters have been updated to reflect the latest statistical information available for these chapters.
2. *Chapter 4: Land Use* has been updated to include relevant new information and data, and to streamline the Future Land Use – Zoning table.
3. Minor updates have been made to the *Introduction, Chapter 12: Education, Chapter 16: Police Services, and Chapter 19: Public Health*.
4. Maps have been updated throughout the plan to reflect approved annexations and boundary adjustments.
5. *Appendix A: Existing Plans and Studies* has been updated to reflect the City Council's adoption of the following plans:
 - a. *Botanic Garden Master Plan, 2023 update*
 - b. *Economic Development Strategic Plan, 2022 update*
 - c. *Las Vegas Trail Neighborhood Transformation Plan, 2023 (proposed for adoption March 2023)*
 - d. *Meacham Airport Master Plan, 2023*
 - e. *Public Art Plan for 2022 Bond Program*
6. *Appendix C: Future Land Use by Sector* has been updated to reflect 100-year floodplain locations on vacant land, approved zoning changes, new development plans and opportunities, and existing development patterns unlikely to change.
7. *Appendix D: Proposed Capital Improvements* has been updated to include the adopted FY2023-2027 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan, along with a graphic summary of major expenditures described in the plan.
8. *Appendix E: Planned Service Areas* has been updated to reflect 20-year planned service area adjustments and recent annexations.
9. *Appendix F: Annexation Plan, Policy, and Program* has been updated to reflect changes to the annexation program.

To view the proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan, visit <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/planning-data-analytics/planning/comprehensiveplan/draft> and view the table of contents to browse individual sections of the plan.

City Plan Commission Recommendation:

The City Plan Commission held a public hearing on the draft 2023 Comprehensive Plan on January 25, 2023 and voted unanimously to recommend adoption of the plan. On February 21, 2023, the City Council received an Informal Report on the proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan.

Public Hearing on 2023 Comprehensive Plan:

Section 213.003 of the Texas Local Government Code provides that a comprehensive plan may be adopted or amended by ordinance following a hearing at which the public is given the opportunity to give testimony and present written evidence and following review by the City Plan Commission. A public hearing before the City Council on the proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan will take place prior to the City Council vote on the adoption ordinance.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of these recommendations will have no material effect on City funds.

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