



DEPARTMENT OF P.L.A.C.E.: PLANNING

ALIGNING BOARD PRIORITIES WITH OPTIMIZED RESOURCES

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Goal Statement

To provide accurate information, creative and effective planning recommendations, and expertise in the areas of long-range land use, environmental, and transportation planning for the orderly growth of Leon County and the Tallahassee community.

Strategic Initiatives/Support Highlights

Quality of Life

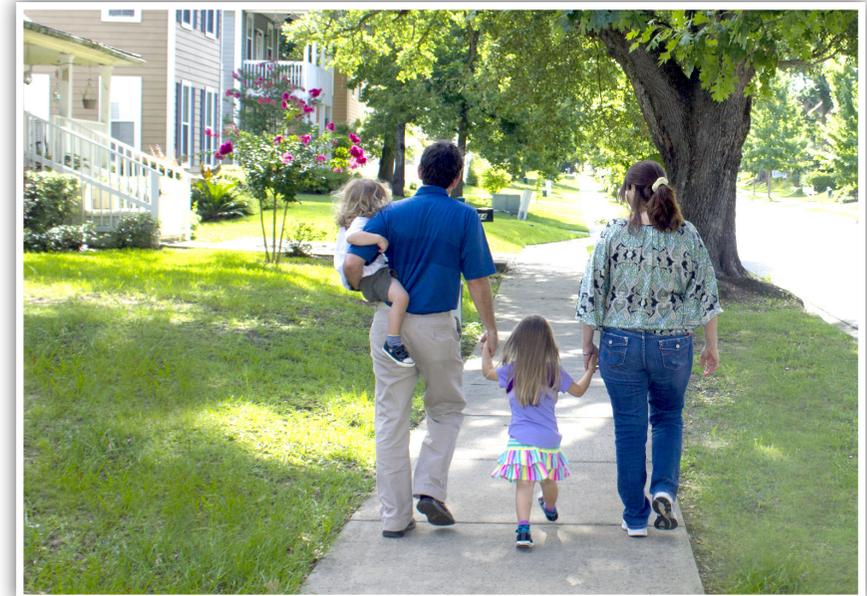
- Identify projects that may be advance-funded as part of the Sales Tax extension.
- Initiate a comprehensive review and revision to the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan.
- Reformat the existing online Comprehensive Plan to modernize its appearance and increase usability.
- Evaluate the existing Comprehensive Plan amendment process and identify opportunities for further streamlining.
- Protect the rural character of our Rural Land use category.
- Work with Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency and the Office of Economic Vitality to implement the Sales Tax extension, including the Economic Development portion.
- Coordinate partners in the creation of a North Monroe Corridor Task Force for the purposes of revitalization.
- Create and maintain a Design Studio.
- Increase awareness of the services DesignWorks offers to the community.

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PLANNING TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S COMMUNITY

- The Planning Department is in the midst of a multi-year project to update the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan, which is the County and City's blueprint for growth for the next 20 years. The goal for the first year is to clarify community values and principles that will guide more detailed policy.
- Developed a Lake Jackson Blueway Plan. A blueway is a paddling trail established within a navigable waterway having the physical capacity (based on length, width and depth) for kayaking and canoeing. The Lake Jackson Blueway will provide additional interconnections for canoeists, paddle boarders and kayakers to County and State parks around Lake Jackson. Blueways are intended to encourage resource-based (passive) recreation, ecological education and preservation of wildlife resources.
- Initiated and cooperated with the North Monroe Corridor Task Force, a group of residents and business owners, which developed the North Monroe Action and Management Plan. The Plan recommended several strategies to achieve the following results:
 - » Rejuvenate existing & attract new businesses
 - » Beautify the corridor and improve transportation
 - » Enhance great parks, trails and sidewalks



Ongoing sidewalk construction projects

- » Recognize and support vibrant neighborhoods
- » Protect Lake Jackson
- Maintained the BikeTallahassee.com website as a central access point for all cycling-related information in Leon County. Users are also able to map their own ride using identified bicycle routes and other on and off-road cycling facilities. Bike Tallahassee provides regional cycling information for both residents of and visitors to the Tallahassee-Leon County community. While these routes are currently in use, they will be enhanced in coming years through the Blueprint 2000 funding approved in November 2014.



Did You Know

DesignWorks provided design assistance to a local restaurant owner who wanted to add an outdoor dining patio on Lafayette Street. This type of pedestrian scale private reinvestment complements the County's recent sidewalk and landscaping investments along the corridor.