

# **Shared Objectives**

Planning for Community Improvements Deep Dive Workshop on Goal 2: A Healthy Community

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- Employment
- Parks and recreational opportunities
- Transportation options
- Health services and healthy food options
- Schools and educational opportunities



# **Community Values**

- <u>Equity</u>: The community values fairness and equity in providing services, safety, housing opportunities, economic opportunities, education, justice, and other elements that contribute to a high quality of life for all residents.
- <u>Livability</u>: The community values fostering a safe, sustainable built environment that offers distinct, vibrant urban activity centers, nodes, neighborhood centers, key corridors, and green places for living, working, and recreating in the Capital Region.
- <u>Opportunity</u>: The community values having access to opportunities to flourish as individuals and as a community, and to improve our individual and collective lifestyles.
- <u>Stewardship</u>: The community values the responsible management of our resources and assets.

# **Current Goal 2**

Provide for a high quality of life by planning for population growth, public and private development and redevelopment and the proper distribution, location and extent of land uses by type, density and intensity consistent with adequate levels of services and efficient use of facilities and the protection of natural resources and residential neighborhoods.

# **Original Draft Goals**

#### **A Healthy Environment**

Our community will maintain a healthy environment with drinkable water, breathable air, unpolluted soils, hazard protections, renewable energy sources, conservation areas that protect valuable or irreplaceable natural resources, and vital open spaces available and accessible to all residents and visitors to our community.

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#### Healthy Neighborhoods and Vibrant Places

Our community will be composed of neighborhoods, activity centers, and places of employment that are designed and built to be lively, inclusive, safe, sustainable, and healthy. These places will provide for access to:

- Recreational opportunities
- Pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Healthy food options
- Health services
- Schools and collocated facilities, including community centers and libraries

The planning and development of healthy neighborhoods and places will ensure the equitable treatment and involvement of all citizens, recognize the importance of private property rights and public spaces, address the importance of access to and siting of schools including collocated facilities, and account for community context.

- Without a clean environment we have nothing!
- While a healthy environment is crucial for a healthy economy, a healthy environment should still be priority #1.
- I think preserving green space is necessary so far as it is actually used by residents. Green space left in areas needed for infill development should be reconsidered.
- Clean vibrant places that are good for existing residents, etc.
- Protect our large old trees, replant to help future generations have the same tree over and promote Tallahassee's ecotourism.
- Consider adding a safety statement (e.g., vegetation should not compromise vehicle / pedestrian safety).
- Include some language about the way energy is used/carbon footprint.
- The city and county need to develop a plan to provide sanitary sewer service to all the neighborhoods now using septic systems.
- "The balance of private property rights and a healthy environment comes first"

- Need places that are not all open from 9-5...
- Bring these objectives into the preservation and enhancement of existing neighborhoods.
- I think much should be done to retrofit existing places, and of course, new places can be designed and built accordingly.
- *Reevaluate existing neighborhoods and how they can become more walkable i.e. downtown.*
- Don't just build neighborhoods that are walkable but have no real place to walk to within a reasonable distance.
- In addition to designing and building neighborhoods, we need to ensure existing neighborhoods including historic preservation areas are maintained to meet the same criteria instead of bull-dozing down existing areas. We need to provide the infrastructure to keep existing residential and commercial areas viable instead of becoming blight.
- Government should recuse itself from any involvement in these decisions and let the private sector build the types of neighborhoods, activity centers, and employment districts that their customers want.
- The planning department needs to move away from keeping everything separated and implement form based codes.

# **Revised Draft Goal**

- Local Planning Agency
  - Workshop: December 5, 2017
  - Workshop: January 2, 2018
  - Acceptance: February 6, 2018
- Joint City/County Commission
  Acceptance: February 27, 2018

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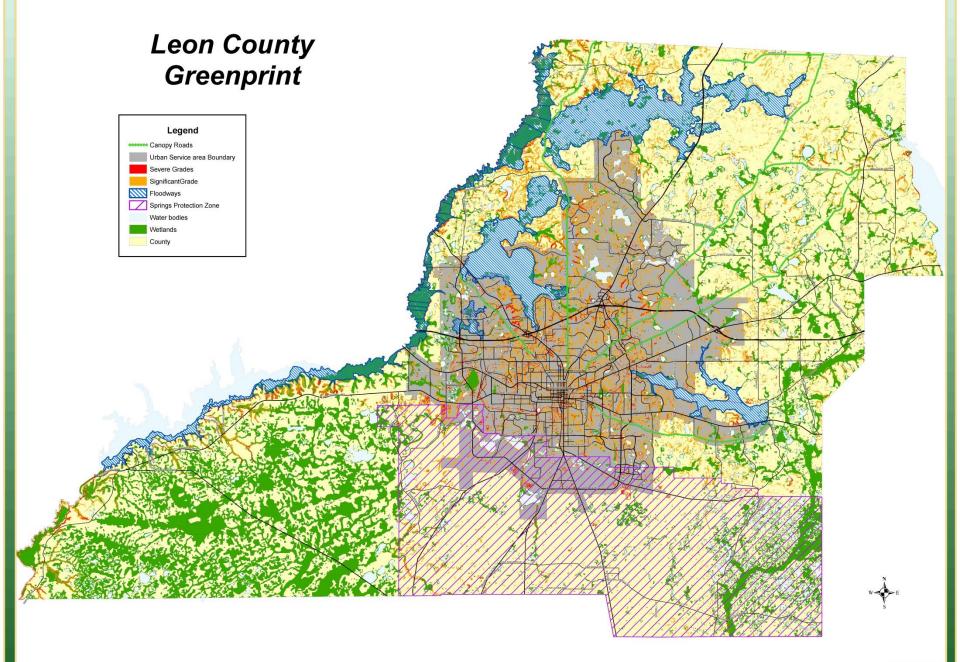
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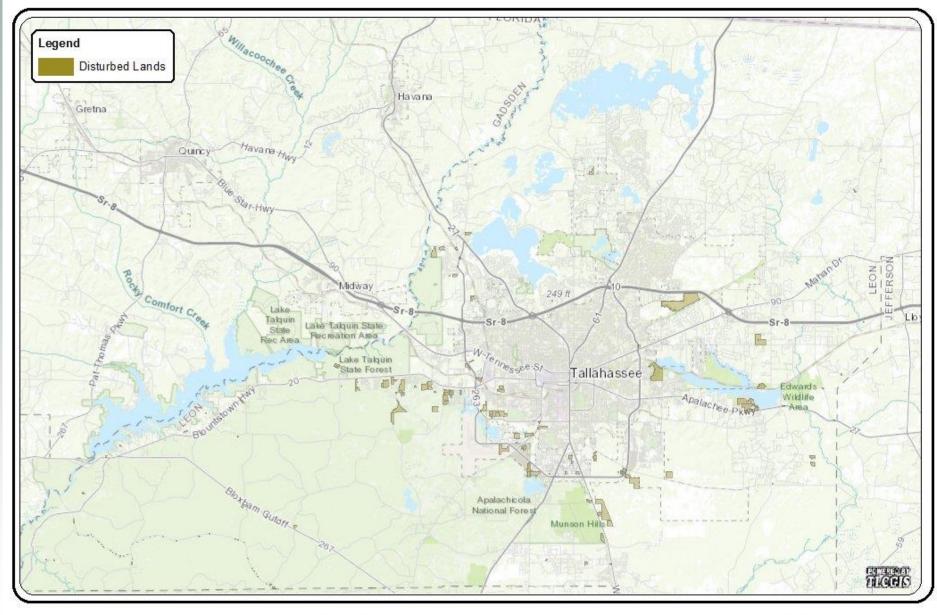


- Stewardship of our resources is vitally important and is why we need to ensure we grow in a way that protects our distinctive rural landscapes and natural resources. Of all the values listed in the survey, this is the most important to my family!
- We're in one of the most biodiverse areas in the US. This should never change and will require a lot of effort and foresight to both improve and maintain our natural resources.
- Conservation and wise use of our natural resources is paramount to a vibrant community.
- Careful thought combined with a long term vision for the community that recognizes the importance of protecting natural resources while promoting smart growth.
- Our urban and rural forests, wetlands and countless unique habitats are our true wealth.
- Get rid of slope protection policies.
- Protecting the quality of our water, air and soil. Protecting our pretty trees.

### Natural Resources and Geographic Features

- Wetlands, waterbodies, watercourses
- Floodplains and floodways
- Significant and severe grades
- Drainage basins and related features
- High quality successional and native forests
- Active and other karst features
- Significant trees
- Canopy road corridors
- Local soil types and conditions
- Known operating and abandoned landfill sites
- Known active and former mining sites







#### Disturbed Lands

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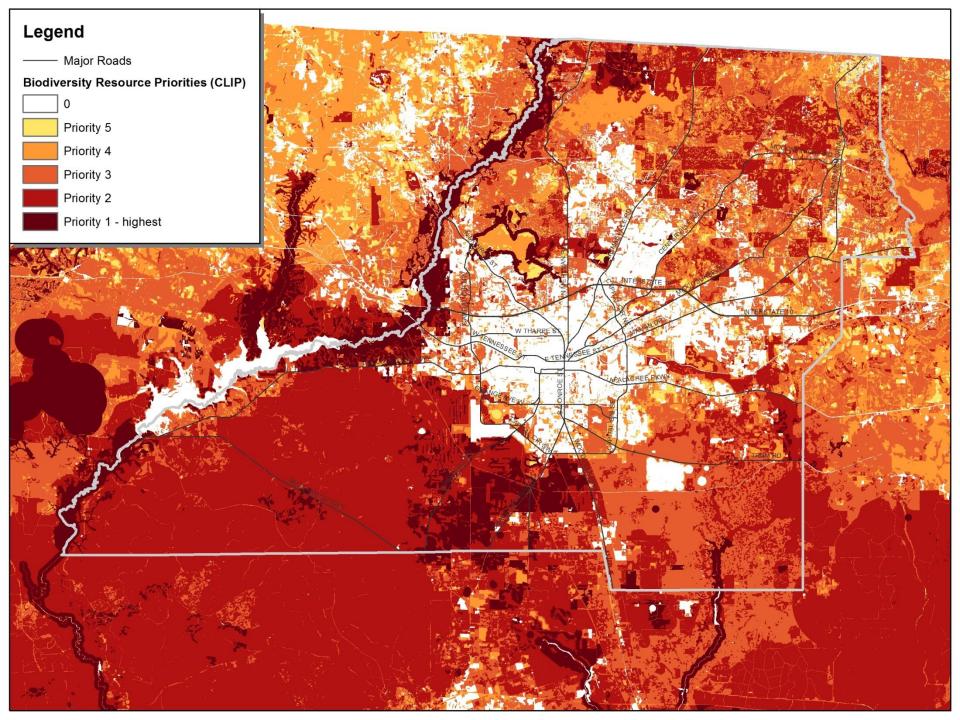


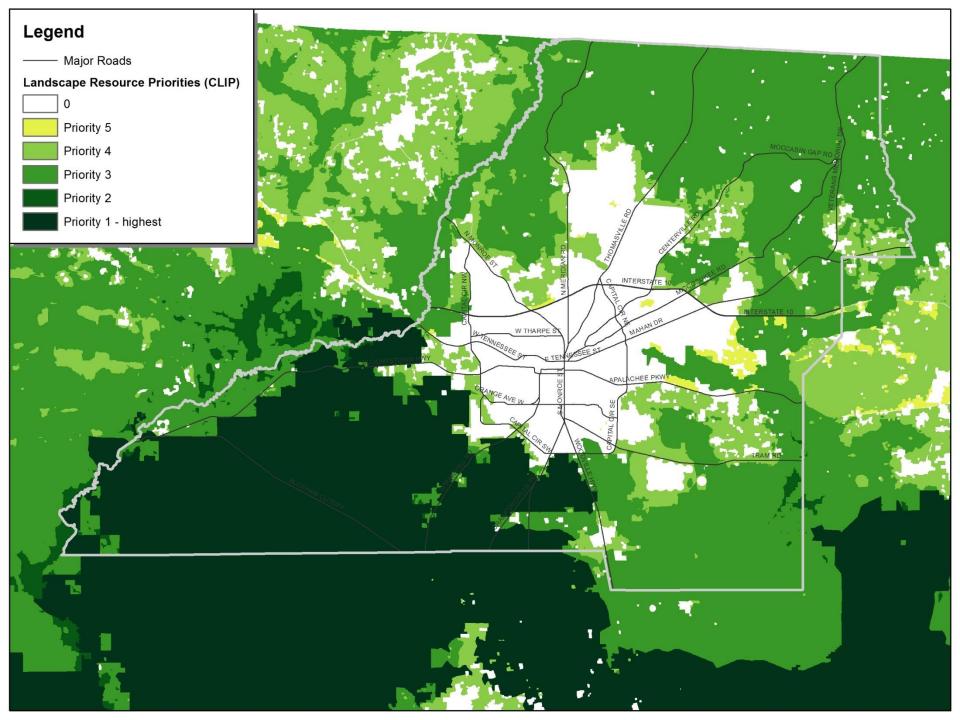
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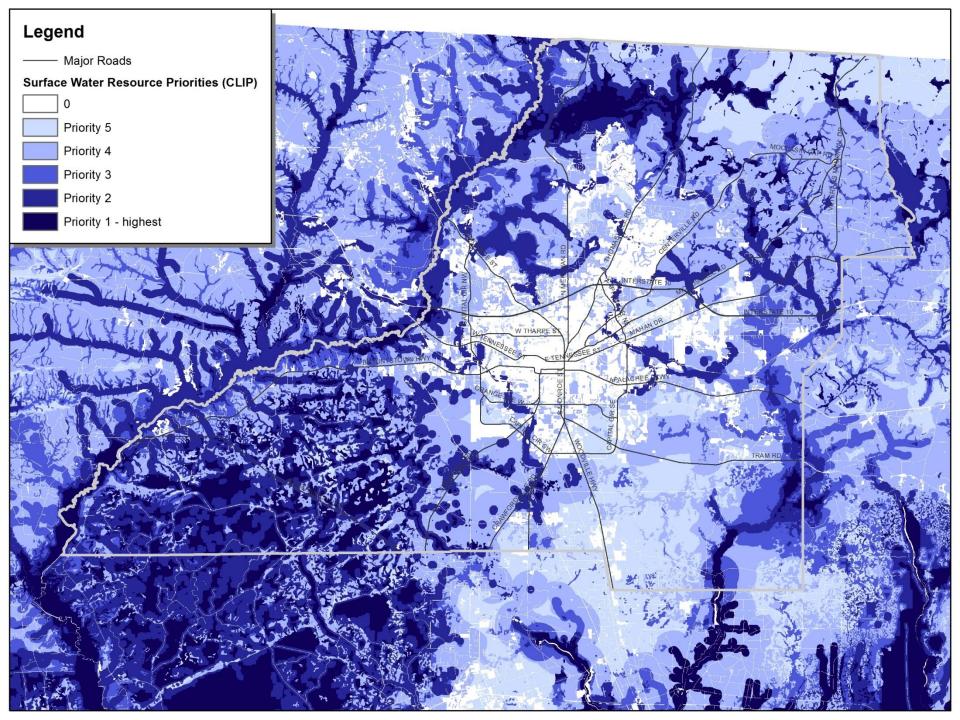
Restore, connect, and protect natural habitats and sensitive lands.



- Be sure to include at least bird habitat.
- Trees, canopy roads, and the prevention of the destruction of natural habitat should continue to be a priority for our community.
- Survey the County habitats (geography, water, terrain, vegetation, wildlife, drainage, etc.) and develop usage plan based on that.
- Our urban and rural forests, wetlands and countless unique habitats are our true wealth.
- The Red Hills Region is incredibly ecologically sensitive. It is an area of great importance to many species not found elsewhere in the world. It is our duty to respect this and to not encroach on the wildlands surrounding Tallahassee.





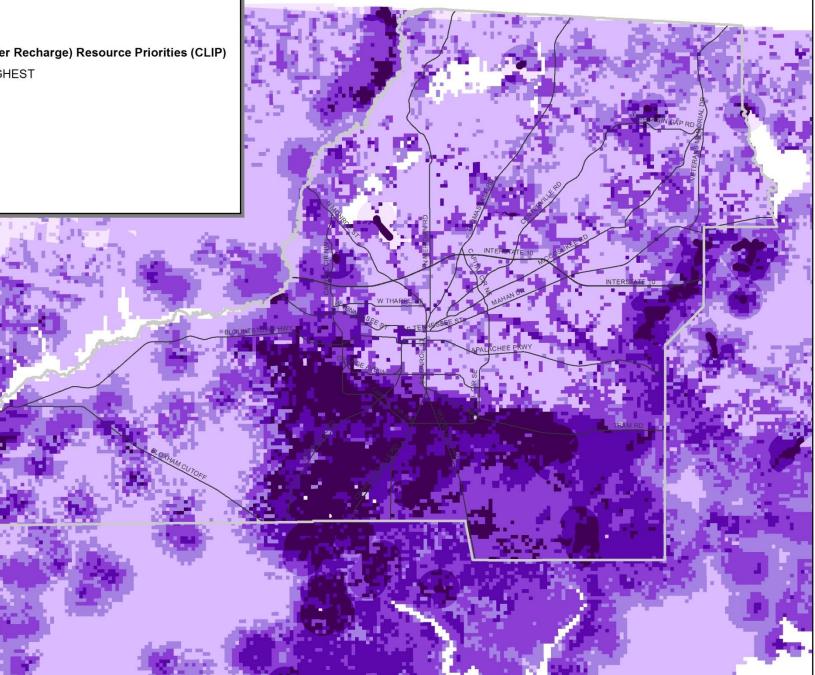


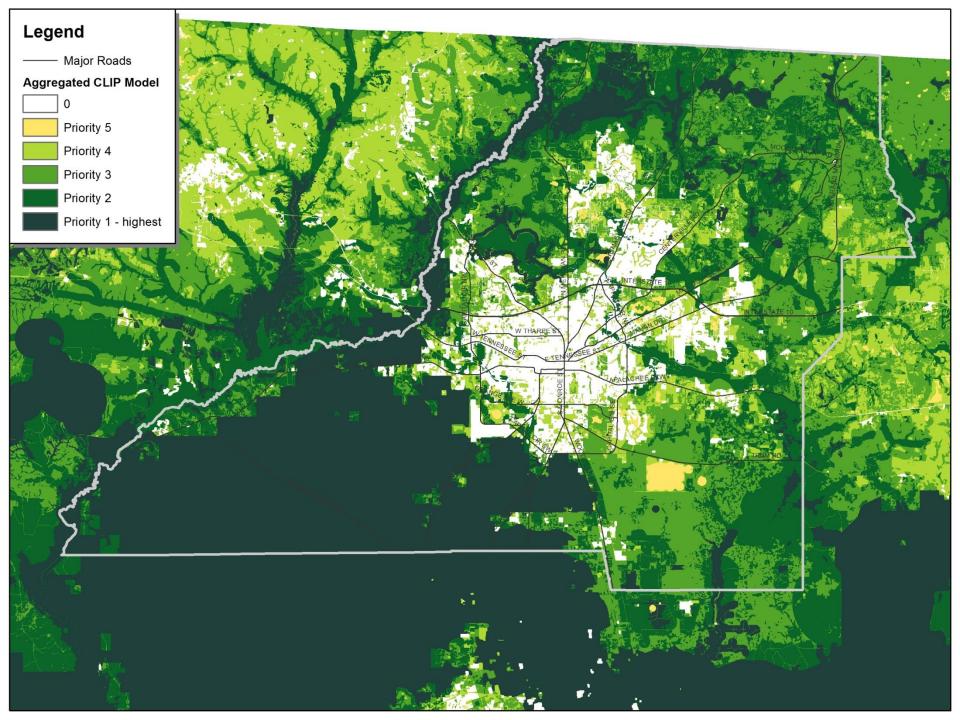
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Groundwater (Aquifer Recharge) Resource Priorities (CLIP)







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### 2.3: Prioritization of Natural Areas

Prioritize the preservation of natural areas (including conservation areas, environmentally sensitive features and water resources) when making decisions regarding land use, transportation, and infrastructure extension.



- When making land use and transportation decisions, the following need to be considered: Maintaining Water Quality, maintaining Air Quality, eliminating Traffic Congestion, fostering more Traffic Safety, upgrading and improving Infrastructure (specifically the Electrical Grids in the Southern Sector of the community that have been overloaded with the addition of multiple, large apartment complexes), preparing for changes in the nature and location of work, rehabilitating existing, abandoned, homes, buildings, strip malls, and shopping centers before approving development of more of the same.
- I'm worried that this value is going to empower people who do not understand that things do not remain stagnant in cities. We will lose trees, and we will lose green space. We can manage that risk responsibly, but we cannot put it as our most important priority.
- *Removing cars from the urban core of Tallahassee should be a top priority. With decent public transit, support for bikes, e-bikes, and scooters through dedicated, protected lanes, and shaded pedestrian walkways, this could be a pretty good place to live.*
- I don't necessarily think it [a healthy environment] comes first, but it should always be a high priority during planning.
- Land use decisions should be made in the context of minimizing negative environmental impacts.

### Land Use Decisions Example

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#### Infrastructure Analysis

#### Water/Sewer

Central water and sewer are not currently available to the subject area. The City's nearest water and sewer connections are approximately two miles west of the subject area.

#### Schools

The Subject Area is zoned for the following public schools: Robert Elementary School, Swift Creek Middle School, and Lincoln High School. The proposed amendment would reduce the allowable residential development and would lessen the potential impact to schools. The Leon County School Board has indicated that this proposed land use and rezoning change would have no negative impact to Leon County public schools.

#### Roadway Network

The only roadway currently serving the subject area is U.S. Highway 90, which is a two-lane principle arterial. A concurrency certificate application was filed with the Courty on March 9, 2005, and the applicant at that time received concurrency for a project consisting of 74 residential units provided that the project is started within two years of March 11, 2005. This certificate has expired.

#### Pedestrian and Bicycle Network

No sidewalks serve this site. There will likely be bike lanes or paved shoulders and sidewalks along portions of Mahan Drive if or when it is widened.

#### Transit Network

There are no transit services available to the subject area.

#### Environmental Analysis

The two contiguous parcels, 232 acres in size, are located within the Bird Sink Basin, more particularly within the Black Creek watershed, except for approximately a 16-acre tract located in the southwest corner of the southernmost parcel, which is within the St. Marks Basin, more particularly within the Hawks watershed.

Tallahassee Leon County GIS (TLCGIS) maps indicate that the northernmost parcel, approximately 82 acres in size, is entirely within the 100-year floodplain, and is covered by a mature bottomland hardwood forest. This hardwood forest, indicated as a wetland on TLCGIS maps, also covers approximately 61.3 acres of the 166.8-acre southernmost parcel. This site is at the headwaters of the St. Mark River, and Black Creek crosses the northern parcel of the subject area. Black Creek drains towards the southeast through the northern parcel and into Copeland Sink, which is near the headwaters of the St. Marks River.

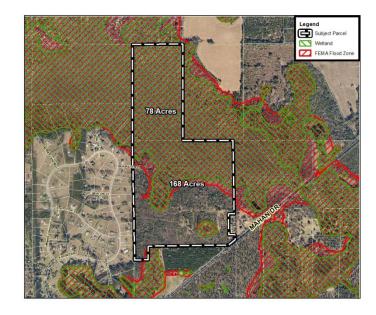
In addition, a two-acre intermittent pond is located on the eastern half of this parcel, and several small areas of significant grades totaling approximately one acre in size are scattered around the upland portion of this parcel. With the exception of this pond, a single-family residence, and an outbuilding, the remainder of the upland portions of this parcel is planted in pine trees.

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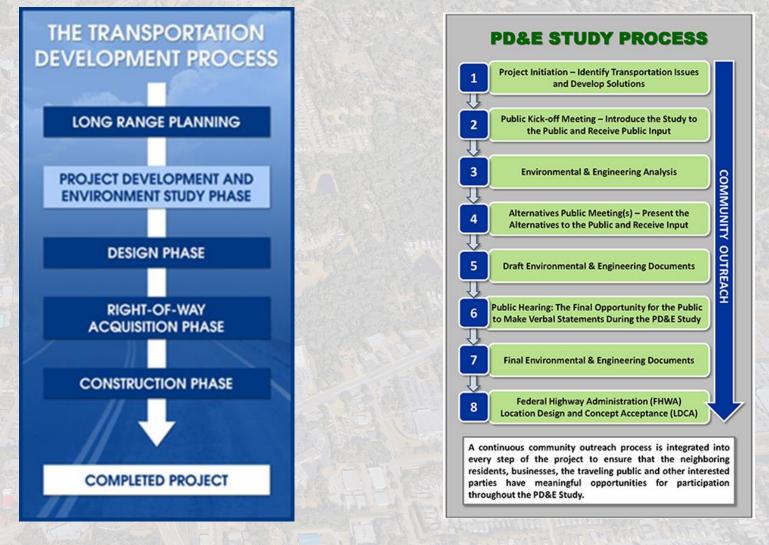
As part of a site plan that was submitted by a previous owner of the subject area, a Natural Features Inventory was conducted for this property. This environmental analysis indicated that approximately 65% of the subject area is not developable due to the presence of wetlands, a 100-year flood zone, a high quality successional forest, several sinkholes, and significant slopes. According to the Leon County Development Support and Environmental Management (f.k.a. Growth and Environmental Management) Department, proposed development on this site will be required to place these environmentally sensitive areas within a conservation easement, and shall be accompanied by required/necessary Stomwater management to mitigate for any increases in volume (and/or) rate of Stormwater surface runoff.

It shall be noted that specific development stipulations, mainly associated with the septic treatment system, may be imposed by the state's Upper Wakulla River and Wakulla Springs Basin Management Action Plan.

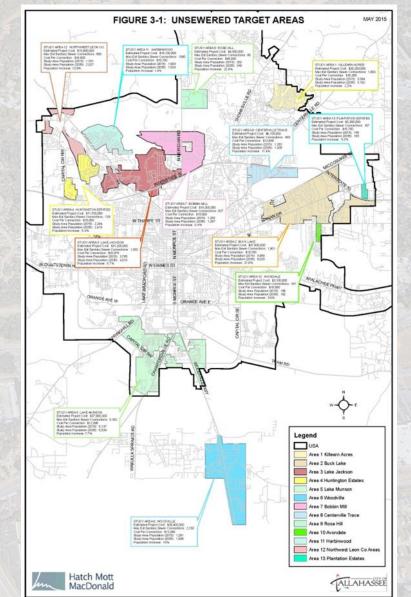
The following map indicates existing environmental features.



### National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



## Infrastructure Extension Example



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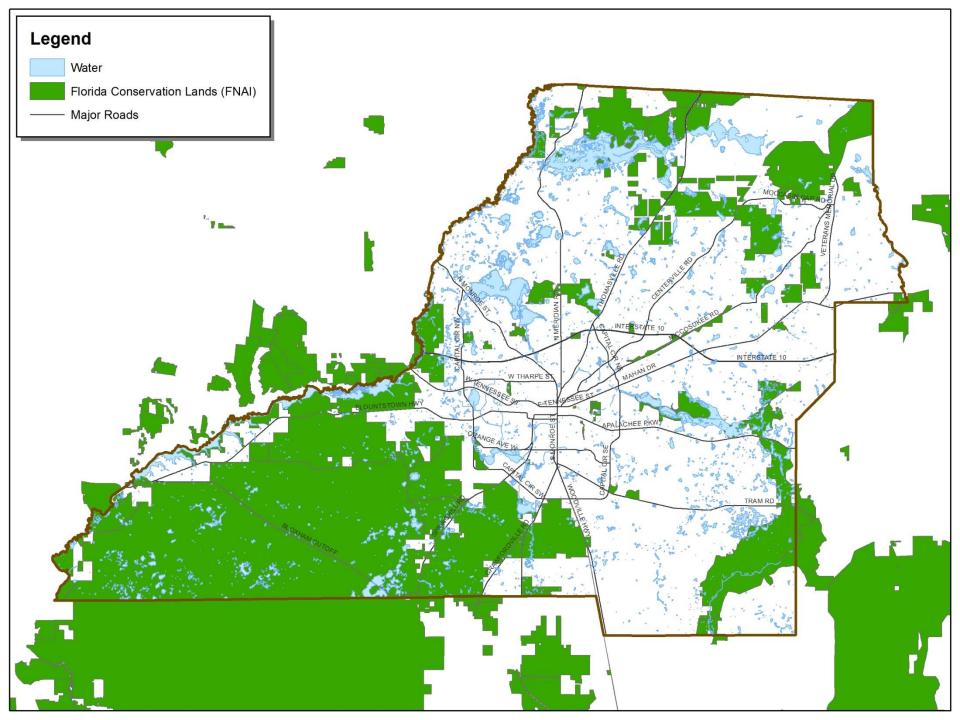
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- *I would prioritize the preservation of green spaces and the creation of new, usable parkland.*
- Environmental preservation, protecting water quality
- Preservation of green spaces and wild rural spaces
- Special efforts need to be made to avoid over-development before it is too late and, instead, to encourage preservation of undeveloped areas and promotion of non-financially based values for land use.
- Do not agree that preservation .... should be the/a primary priority.
- Preservation and natural resources management must be balanced with growth and development.
- Most important is maintaining environment and preservation, with economic development a secondary goal
- Actual preservation of our natural resources. We simply MUST focus on redevelopment and re-use of existing structures and buildings, rather than allowing new strip centers to be built farther away from the urban core while older properties sit in decay. We simply MUST provide good, decent, mass transit that is accessible to all. We simply MUST protect and preserve trees and canopies, as well as green spaces without continual destruction of the trees and canopy.
- A community with a foundation built upon protection, preservation, and responsible enjoyment of the natural resources we are fortunate to have.



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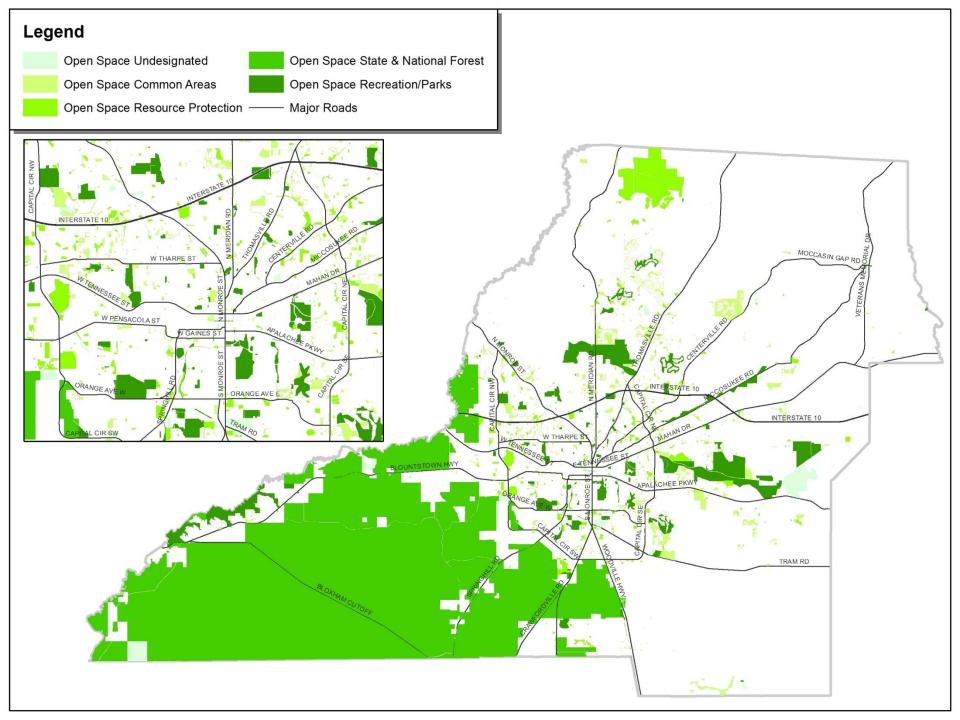
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# 2.5: Access and Opportunities for Parks and Recreation

Provide equitable public access and opportunities for active and passive recreation, open spaces, greenways, and parks.



- To feel more livable, I'd like to see greater access to parks and recreation more easily, across the city.
- More off road trails, sidewalks connecting neighborhoods to schools and parks, protect green space, woodlands and wetlands.
- More recreation opportunity. This community is very deficient in accessible neighborhood parks available to pedestrians,
- integrated trails and other recreation opportunities that are walkable.
- Access to natural areas.
- Plenty of green spaces & parks
- Continuation of development of parks, recreation, and natural areas to provide calming sections, areas for play & pristine natural areas. This is critical to quality of life.
- I enjoy community events at the parks. I would like to see more concerts at cascades. I am a big fan of trails.
- Open space and parks open to the public, places of beauty
- Parks, more recreation opportunities, accessible neighborhood green spaces integrated throughout the community
- We need more urban greenspace. Projects like FAMU Way are great but it isn't greenspace. It's (very nice) sidewalks and roads. People need natural places to recharge their batteries. Cascade Park is great, but we need pocket parks throughout the city.
- *Current parks and rec services/locations should be preserved but, overall, the city is very impressive in nearly every aspect.*
- Places for locally friendly sports and parks also help.



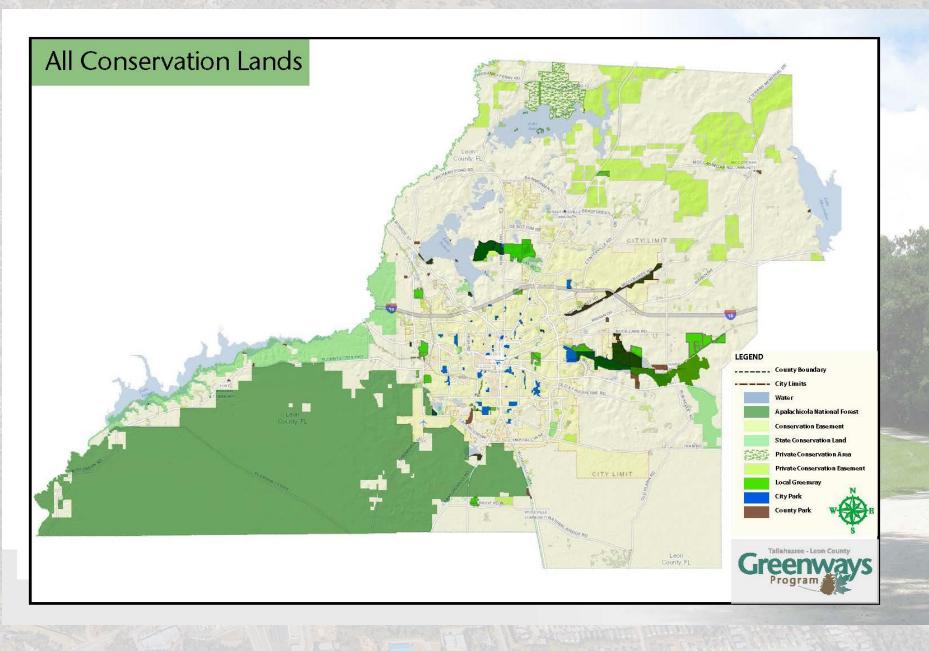
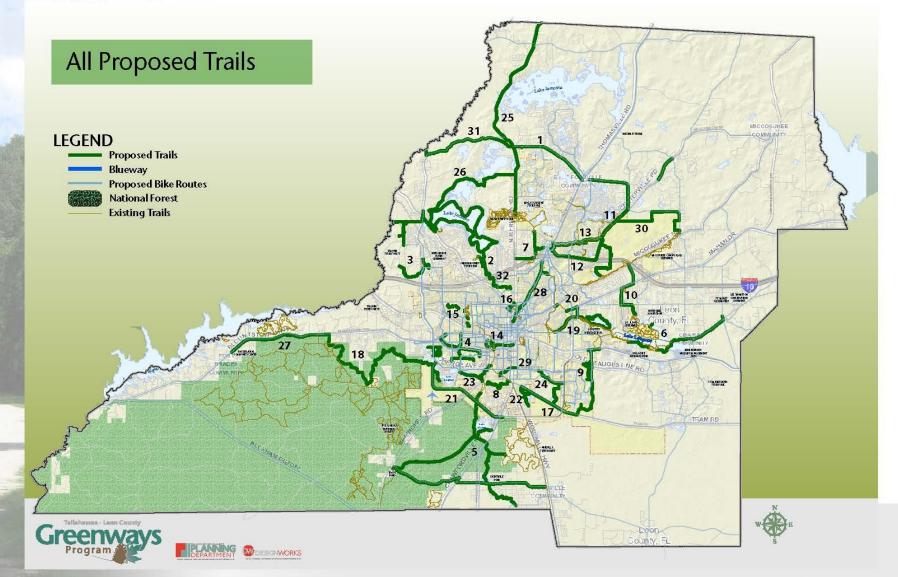


Figure 4: Total Proposed Greenways Trail System



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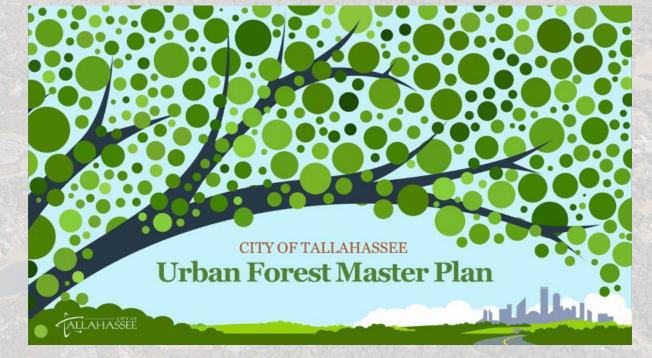
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Based on best available data, ensure proper urban forest management. Urban forest management shall include preservation of significant trees, planting of new trees, removal of unhealthy trees or trees in unsuitable locations for that species, maintenance of existing trees, and minimization of infrastructure conflicts.



## **Community Input**

- Keep trees and green spaces as trees clean the air and are the lungs of the land.
- Protect our large old trees, replant to help future generations have the same tree over and promote Tallahassee's ecotourism.
- I would like to see a focus on trees. They are an important part of our environment. As trees age and come down, new ones must be planted to replace them. There is too much unnecessary grass in public places that should have trees and shrubs.
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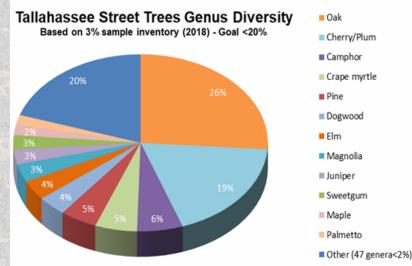




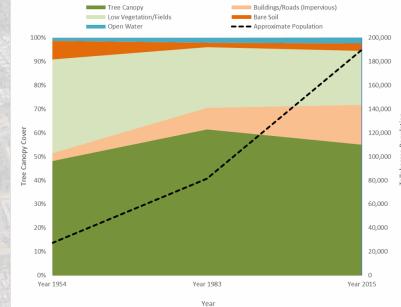


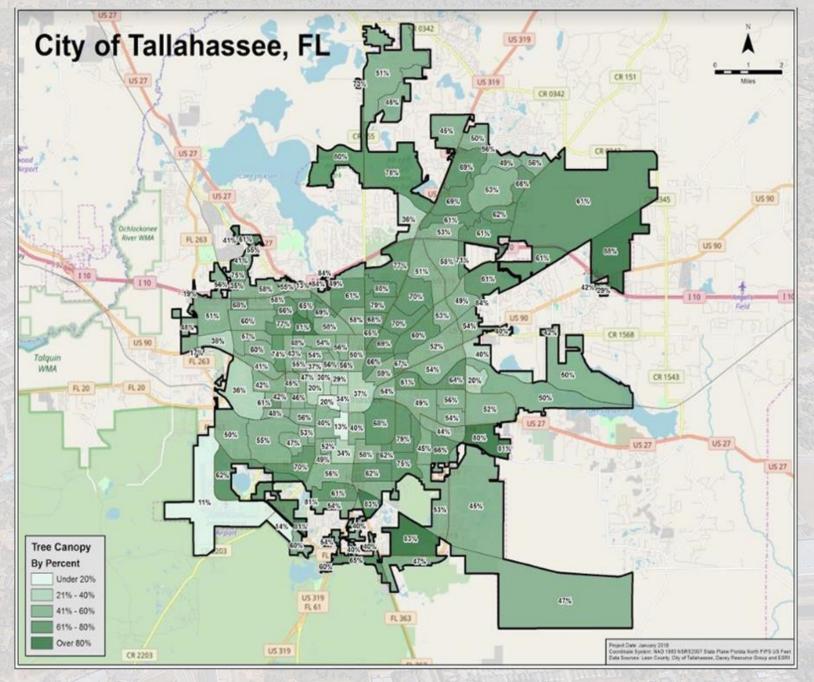
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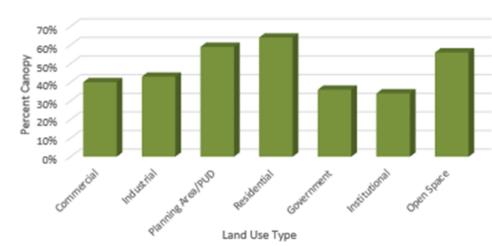


Historic Land Cover Changes - Tallahassee (1954-2015)





Map 2. Tallahassee Urban Tree Canopy Percentage by Census Block.



Acres of Tree Canopy by Land Use in Tallahassee

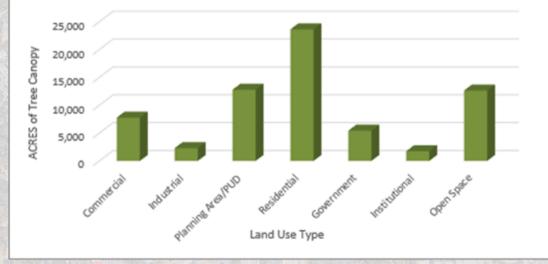
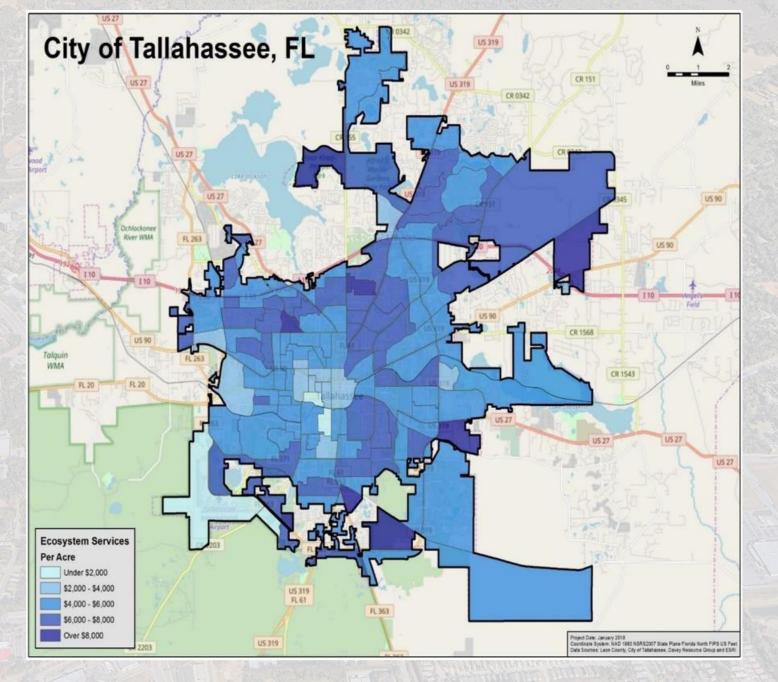


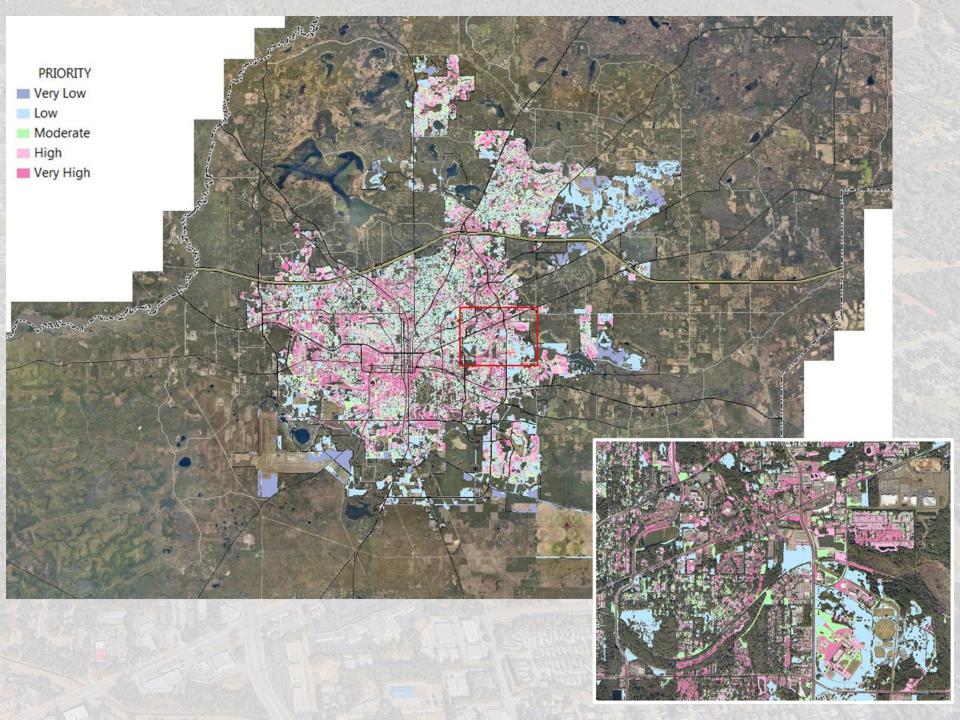
Figure 3. Tree canopy cover by land use - acres and percent coverage.

Land Use	Total Acres	Canopy Cover
Commercial	7,779	40%
Industrial	2,298	43%
Residential	36,415	62%
Government	5,432	36%
Institutional	1,730	34%
Open Space	12,642	56%

Percent Tree Canopy Cover by Land Use in Tallahassee



Map 3. Tallahassee Urban Tree Canopy Benefits Per Acre by Census Tract.



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## 2.7: Green Infrastructure

Implement green infrastructure strategies as a cost-effective, resilient approach to reduce and treat stormwater at its source while delivering environmental, social, and economic benefits.



## **Small Scale**





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Plan for the resiliency, including mitigation and adaptation, of natural and human systems based on projected increases in the frequency of extreme weather events, increased air and water temperatures, and long-term shifts in precipitation levels, growing season length, and associated changes in native vegetation and wildlife populations.



## **Community Input**

- Hardened infrastructure to withstand storm impacts.
- Infrastructure moving more power and communications cables below ground to assist in hardening the city against hurricane and storm damage.
- Why here is there no mention of climate change and what the city and county can do about it? E.g. The Compact of Mayors.
- Resilience in the face of natural disaster, as we experienced in a small way after Hermine, and as Houston is experiencing in a much larger way after Harvey.
- More Age diversity in Housing to make a more resilient neighborhood.
- Electrical outages continue to plague our neighborhood, regardless of severity of rain/wind/storms. Priority should be given to preventing these problems.
- I have lived here since 1974. Went to FSU and stayed. Love Tallahassee, except for the heat. Have seen the growing pains, don't like the massive clearing of trees for development to build all the malls and large communities. That could be better planned. Love living in Killearn Estates since 1978. AND THANK YOU COT, for the first time ever that I have lived in Killearn Estates, our utilities did not go out during the latest storm. Thank you for allowing me to participate in this survey.

### What is a resilient city?

A city that <u>bounces forward</u> from acute shocks and chronic stresses with a smarter infrastructure, a stronger economy, and a healthier community.



### ACUTE SHOCKS Severe Storms & Hurricanes Flooding Extreme Heat/Cold Hazardous Material Wildfires Terrorism Civil Unrest Disease Outbreak Infrastructure Failure

#### **CHRONIC STRESSES**

Poor Air Quality Water Scarcity Aging Infrastructure Crime Shifting Economic Trends Affordable Housing Concentrated Poverty Homelessness Lack of Social Cohesion



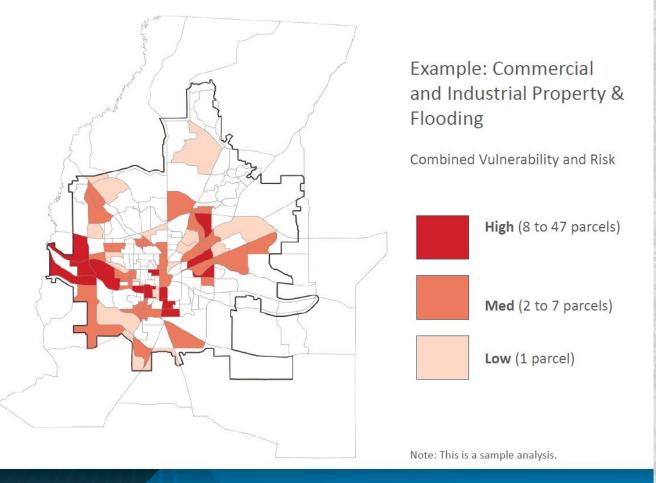


### **Global Challenges**

Changing Climate Rapid Urbanization Increasing Complexity Operational Silos Misdirected Funding Waste & Inefficiencies



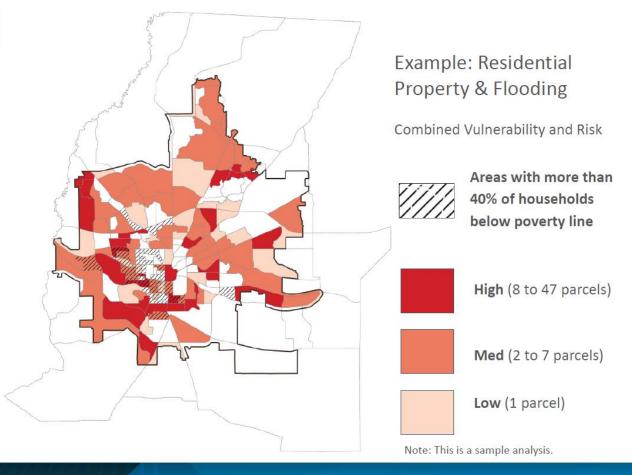
Aggregate to neighborhood scale (census block groups)





## Integrate social vulnerability

Important consideration for all threats





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## 2.9: Intergovernmental Coordination

Effectively address and manage natural resources that extend beyond jurisdictional boundaries in ways that reflect the importance of context and scale at the neighborhood, city, county, and regional levels by coordinate with neighboring jurisdictions.



## **Community Input**

- This [a healthy environment] should include binding mutual aid agreements with every jurisdiction within a 100-mile radius.
- City and county have no business trying to manage anything beyond their jurisdiction.
- The city and county will coordinate.....resources that extend beyond jurisdictional boundaries in ways that provide equal voice to local residents, putting their needs and concerns at the forefront of decisions made.



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## 2.10: Recognizable Places

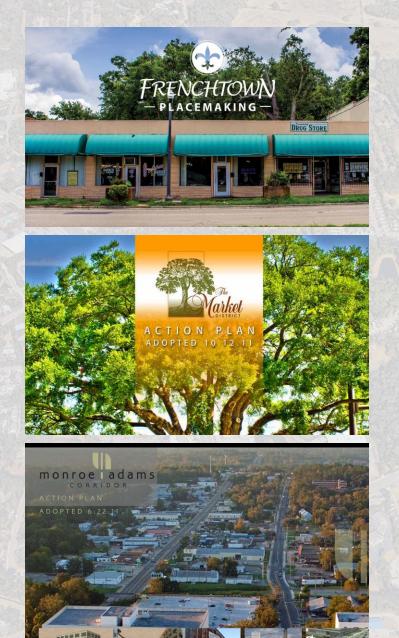
Foster and protect distinctive, attractive places that are recognizable and important to the community.



## **Community Input**

- I want more thought and care taken into building and infrastructure, one that cares about our city's rich cultural history and looks to the future in a sustainable way. I also think this can be accomplished in a much more attractive and more smartly designed way.
- No shopping plazas, lots of green space and bustling businesses. Restaurants with outdoor seating with pretty views of Tallahassee and not of busy highways or streets. Store signs that are attractive and not printed on vinyl banners but instead sustainably, locally made/painted! Outdoor seating and vibes that actually encourage visitors. I envision a historic downtown Capitol that isn't full of law offices, lobbying and other commercial endeavors, but instead bustling local businesses like artist studios/galleries, coworking spaces, sustainable restaurants that use local ingredients, and locally sourced general stores or makers market, shopping for all ages, maybe a brewery!
- Beauty. We are making some really ugly places to live in our country. Keep developing arts and entertainment especially for children and families. We have few places to enjoy that make Tallahassee unique. World class food/dining experiences (why not?)
- Clean vibrant places that are good for existing residents, etc.
- Also need places like dog parks, community band stands and places to dance outside, parks with fountain play structures for children, an outdoor market or stalls, water features, etc., more food truck locations. Would love to see a large observation sphere (think Seattle, or San Antonio) at the Fairgrounds--or maybe all of this on the land in and around the current Fairgrounds... and still be able to have the fair in that location... talk about a destination location...
- Make it easier for the development community to help create the kind of community we want to see. It is often too hard to fight neighbors who do not want to see change. Provide developers and builders with the support and resources to create vibrant places.

## Placemaking





Lake Jackson Town Center at Huntington "Sense of Place" Initiative June 18, 2013





## 2.10: Recognizable Places

Foster and protect distinctive, attractive places that are recognizable and important to the community.



## 2.11: Safety

Improve the safety of the public realm by incorporating urban design principles in land development regulations and designing and operating streets for users of all ages and abilities.



## **Community Input**

- Every principle needs to include a safety element to help reduce our crime rate and vehicle/pedestrian accidents.
- In order to improve the safety of bicycle and pedestrian options, either separate paved bike trails or just paved 7-foot shoulders on county roads such as Oak Ridge would go a long ways.
- At this time, I am most concerned about safety and the high crime rate.
- *An active transportation network would increase community health, safety, and prosperity.*
- *Providing more equitable housing, transportation and services will improve the livability and safety of our community.*
- Safety, security, opportunity, prosperity for all without qualification.
- young people need alternatives to crime...
- Crime is a major factor in the livability of our neighborhoods, and the city in general. It is not addressed; how can the comp plan help in the reduction of crime. Environment Tallahassee seems to be a "dirty" city trash is everywhere: streets, parks, and especially parking lots. How can we change the behavior of individuals not to throw their fast food containers/bags/cups on the ground? how can we get businesses to take a stronger hand in cleaning up their surroundings? Much of this trash gets into city drains.

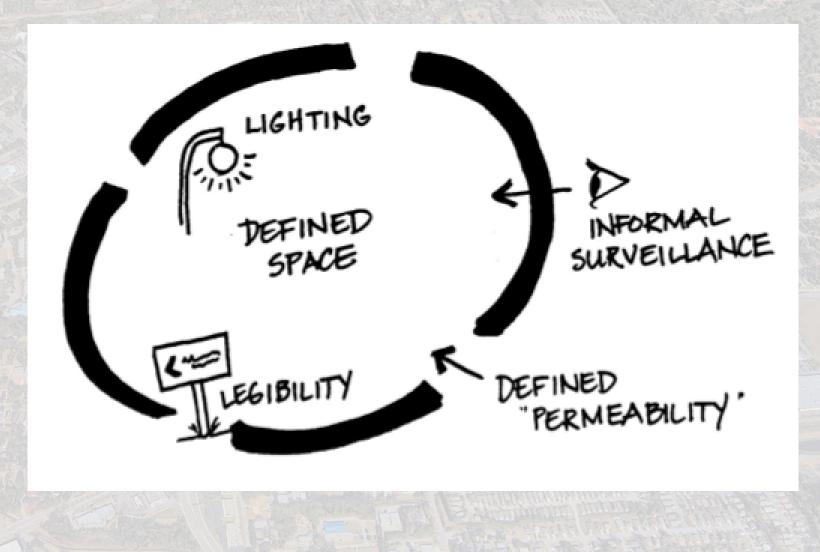
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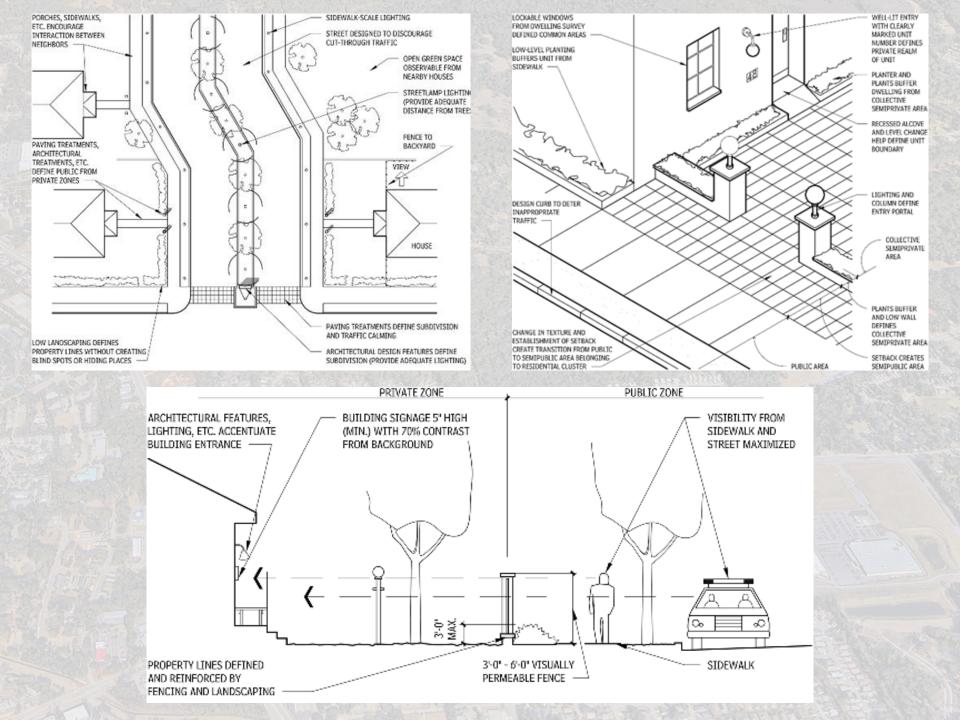
The transportation system shall be designed and operated to provide safe, convenient and context-sensitive access for pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and public transportation users of all ages and abilities.





## Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)





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#### 2.12: Connectivity and Access Management

Reduce vehicle trip demand, increase access and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians, and preserve the integrity of the transportation system with effective connectivity and access management programs.



- Our physical environment, including our trails, can connect us to cultural and historic sites in the community, e.g. the old slave cemetery on the Miccosukee Trail. We need to try to interconnect all the trails.
- *Provide sidewalks to schools and in established neighborhoods.*
- Sidewalks increase access to items like fresh foods, jobs, recreation, and places.
- Sidewalks could increase community access to community gardens, farmer markets, and farm sharing locations when grocery stores are not conveniently located.
- Sidewalks and access to food ensure equity of infrastructure.
- Bicycle/pedestrian connectivity of parks is important.

## Connectivity and Access Management

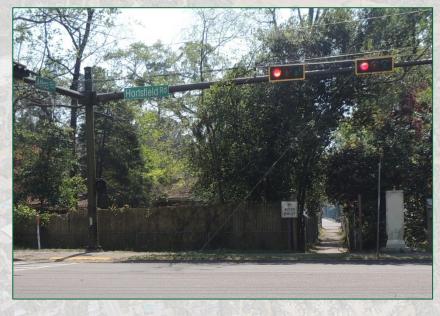
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Coordinate transportation and land use systems that foster vibrant communities with compact urban forms and a mixture of uses to minimize travel distances, reduce vehicle miles traveled and greenhouse gases, and to enhance pedestrian and bicycle mobility and transit accessibility. Coordinate land use and transportation to improve access to recreational opportunities, active transportation, healthy food options, and health services, while ensuring safe neighborhoods, and the meaningful involvement of all people in regards to creation and enforcement of environmental laws.



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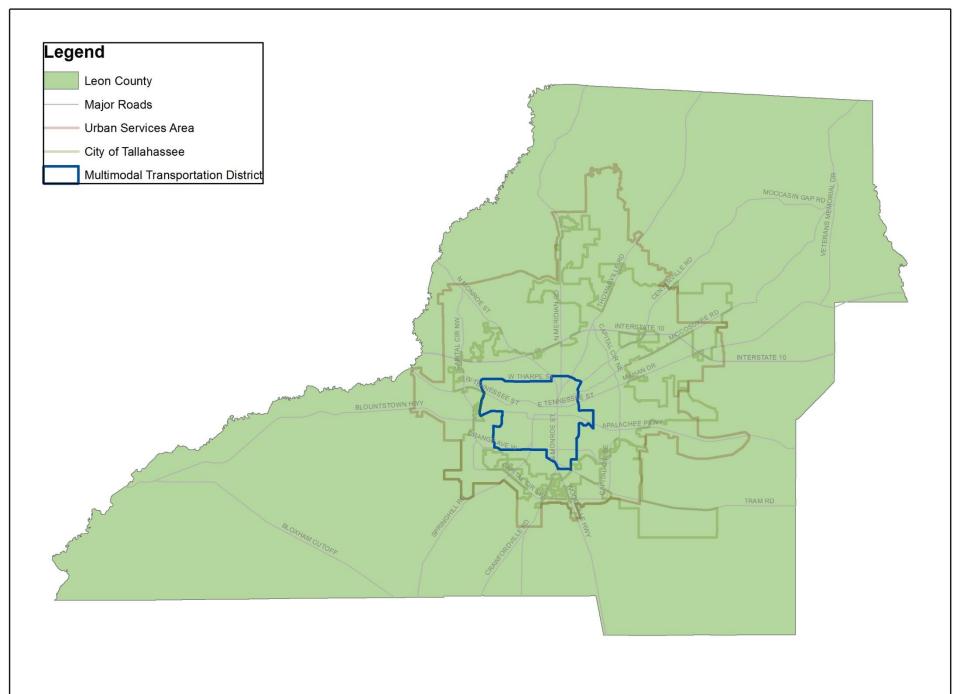
Facilitate the use of multiple modes of transportation and urban design standards to develop and maintain healthy neighborhoods and thriving businesses where travel by foot, bicycle, and transit will be easy and practical to reduce automobile use and vehicle miles travelled.



- A vibrant, innovative, youthful, and green Red Hills Region that cultivates diverse economic engines, sustains multimodal transportation opportunities, embraces higher education, drives nationally competitive livable wages and connects citizens with the beautiful natural resources that brought settlers and Native Americans originally to this unique area.
- Make bicycling more safe Have more and better mass transit options.
- An active transportation network would increase community health, safety, and prosperity.
- *Removing cars from the urban core of Tallahassee should be a top priority. With decent public transit, support for bikes, e-bikes, and scooters through dedicated, protected lanes, and shaded pedestrian walkways, this could be a pretty good place to live.*
- Link mass transit and walkability.
- Cannot emphasize walkability enough. Stop being so vehicle-centric. Also, there are many places the city can add greater residential density.
- Safer ways to bicycle (in particular, from midtown to downtown)

# Current Policy 1.1.10: [M]

**Designation of Multimodal Transportation District** (MMTD). In accordance with the provisions of Florida Statute 163.3180(15), the City of Tallahassee and Leon County hereby establish a Multimodal Transportation District, as shown in the Multimodal District Boundaries Map, for the purpose of promoting walking, bicycling and transit use in order to reduce dependence on the automobile. Those roadways and associated rights-of-way shown as boundaries for the MMTD shall be considered part of the MMTD.



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# 2.15: Downtown

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- Safer ways to bicycle (in particular, from midtown to downtown)
- A vibrant downtown area. Influenced by development at applicants expense. With a focus on local small business.
- A revitalized urban center and growth of downtown. we need to stop the sprawl of residential districts on wildlands and protect the urban center from risks of gentrification.
- No shopping plazas, lots of green space and bustling businesses. Restaurants with outdoor seating with pretty views of Tallahassee and not of busy highways or streets. Store signs that are attractive and not printed on vinyl banners but instead sustainably, locally made/painted! Outdoor seating and vibes that actually encourage visitors. I envision a historic downtown Capitol that isn't full of law offices, lobbying and other commercial endeavors, but instead bustling local businesses like artist studios/galleries, coworking spaces, sustainable restaurants that use local ingredients, and locally sourced general stores or makers market, shopping for all ages, maybe a brewery!
- Develop Downtown so that there is as much activity for a least 18 hours per day and up to 24.

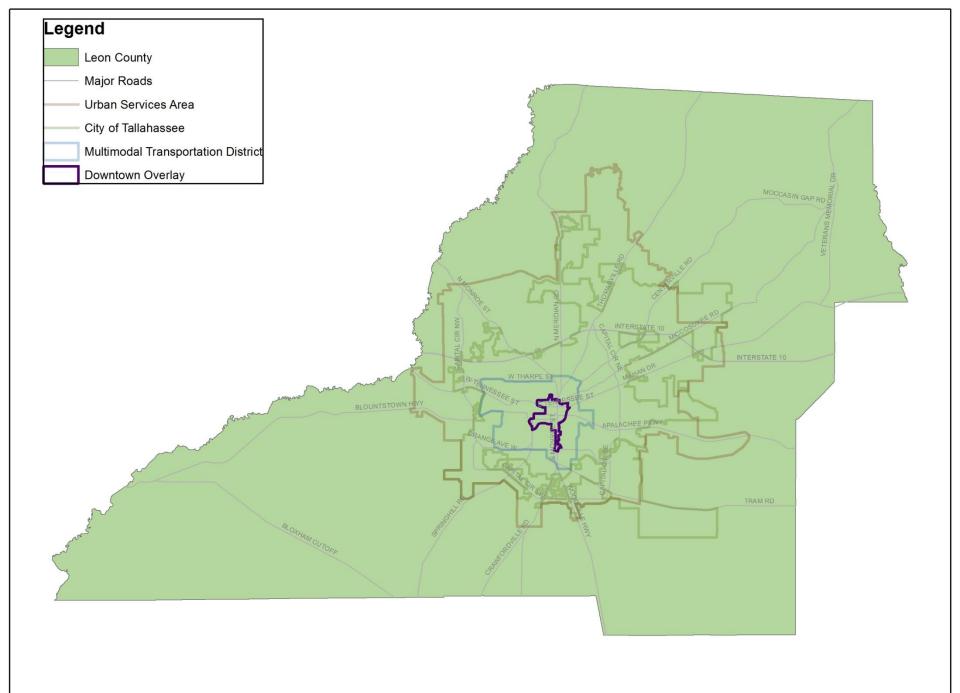
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#### **Current Objective 9.1**

Promote revitalization, reinvestment and redevelopment characterized by site design which is pedestrian friendly and contains a mix of land uses which are designed to achieve compatibility.

#### **Proposed Objective 2.15**

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## 2.16: Bradfordville

Define types and levels of development, establish timing and sequencing for development, define and prioritize necessary capital improvements, provide effective stormwater and water quality management, and preserve the rural qualities of the Bradfordville Study Area.



#### **Bradfordville Sector Plan**

#### Bradfordville Sector Plan Leon County, Florida

#### Preamble



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Plan is an important milestone for the Tallahassee-Leon County community. It culminates a decade of intense activity, of study and analysis put forward by different interest groups in the Bradfordville sector. The purpose of the Sector Plan is to establish appropriate levels, type, time, and sequence of development in the Bradfordville study area; to establish and prioritize capital improvements; to provide for effective stormwater management; to protect the rural quality of life; to provide for a pedestrian-oriented village center, and to achieve other long-range planning for this area consistent with the provisions of the adopted Tallahassee-Leon County Comprehensive Plan. These policy provisions include, but are not limited to, the establishment of more stringent stormwater standards, the protection of the area's rural character and the development of a commercial center to meet the needs of the immediate Bradfordville area. The process of creating the Sector Plan was also an opportunity for open community dialog, one which could begin to replace discord with discussion, and produce a shared direction which might, at last, reconcile diverse, and often opposing, interests.

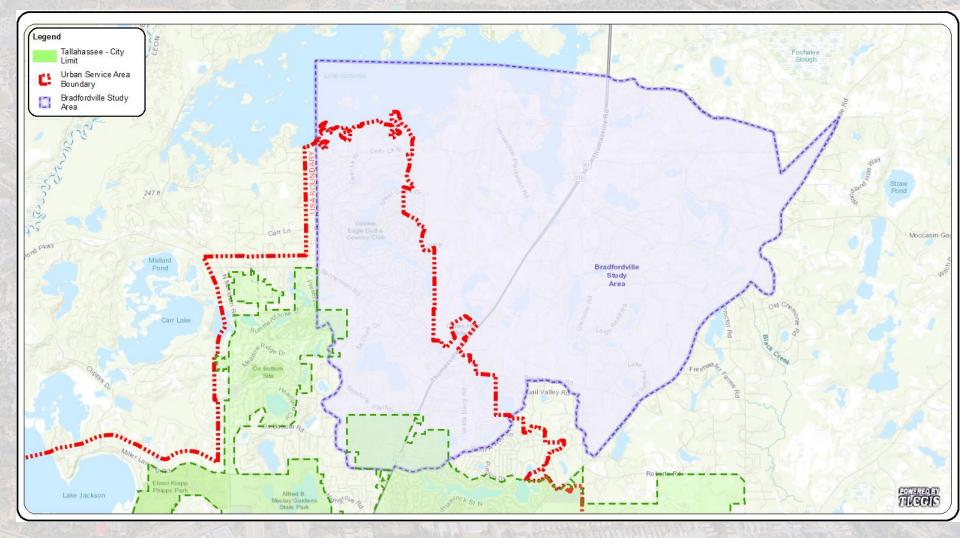
The adoption and implementation of the Bradfordville Sector

The Sector Planning process, as evidenced in the Appendices section of this document, sought extensive community input in the form of Working Groups with specific assigned tasks, as well as stakeholder interviews, community charrettes and public workshops and hearings before the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners. All those with a stake in the future of Bradfordville were given ample opportunity to voice their ideas and concerns. This input had a profound influence on the process and the product of the effort. Nevertheless, the Sector Plan may not satisfy some with strongly held and widely divergent convictions. The Sector Plan does, however, define a "common ground" of common

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## **Bradfordville Study Area**



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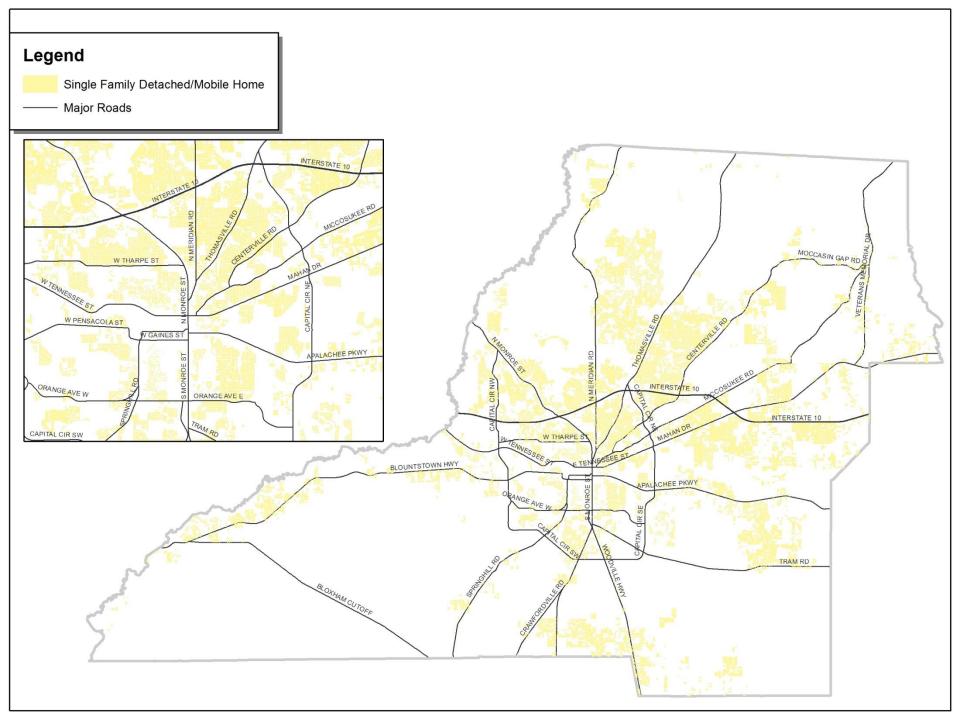
#### 2.17: Equitable Distribution of Land Uses

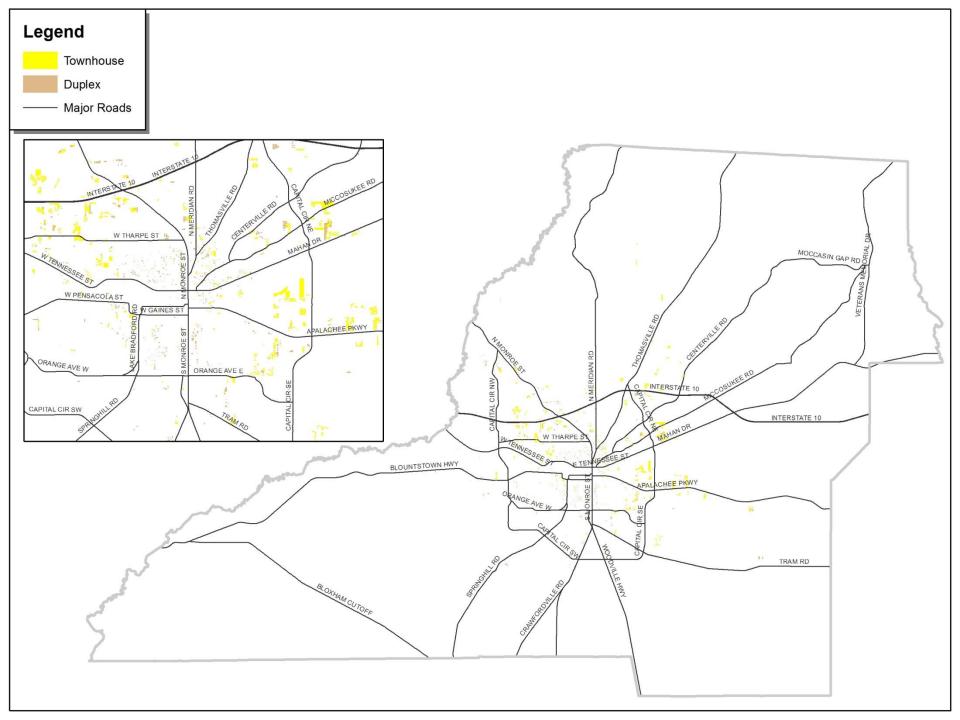
Provide for the geographic distribution of land uses in a manner that meets the needs of a growing and diverse population while ensuring that the benefits and burdens of different land uses are shared across the community equitably.

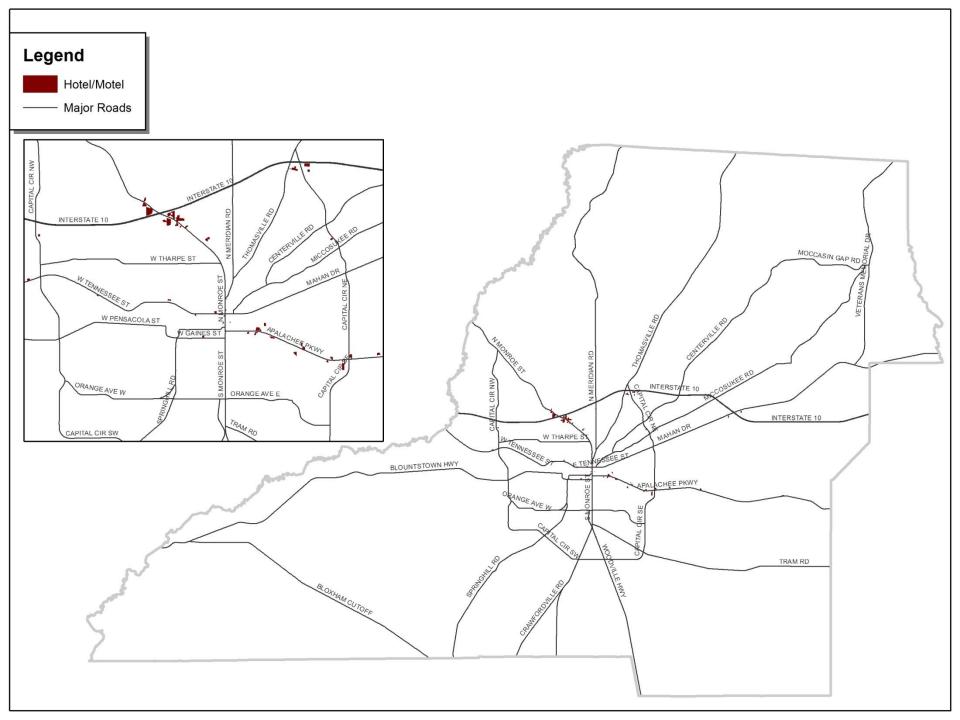


- Tallahassee seems very segregated and we need to address this- hence why I selected Equity as my #1. Livability is very important to me as well.
- We simply cannot assure residents that they will have equity, choice and opportunity for services spread all over Leon County. Population needs to be located in proximity to services, not the other way around.
- Equity is of the utmost importance, and opportunity is essential to equity. Stewardship is important to long-term equity.
- Application of equity principle to govern all environmental decisions.
- I don't believe in equity. I believe in working and earning what you have not having the government hand it to you for you to then go destroy because you have no appreciation of it.
- Being thoughtful about ways to attract higher-income individuals to neighborhoods/school districts that are currently struggling. (When upper, middle and working class families live closer together, their children do better across the board -- economic segregation is the root of a lot of the problems we see in Southside, Hwy 20, etc.)
- A clean environment for ALL, southside as well as the affluent north.

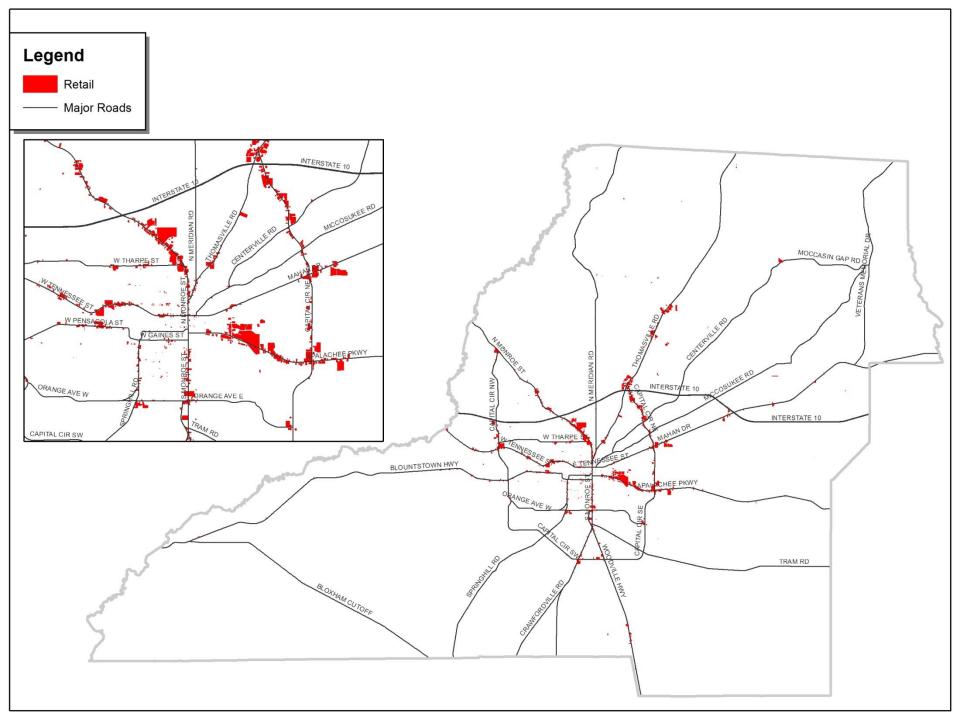
- I envision Tallahassee as a place that preserves small town charm where the local government • respects and preserves all sectors of the City from Urban Sprawl and violent crime. Specifically, I see most people living in detached, single-family homes in quiet, tranquil, neighborhoods that have roads, schools, electrical grids/hardware maintained by the City. Apartments, other attached dwellings, and mixed use areas would be limited by the local government to permit current complexes to be fully inhabited and prevent abandoned Strip Malls, Commercial Ghost Towns and the further facilitation of Urban Sprawl. In that vision, the local universities and community college would create satellite campuses along with Light Industrial and Commercial Land Use areas on the outskirts of town and not continually encroach on properties within the City Limits. I see all sectors of the community (South West, South East, North West, North East) having equal and equitable services from the local government as well as a voice in the decisions that effect our community. In short, I see Tallahassee as a community of neighbors living and working side by side to increase everyone having a positive quality of life not a place that is marketed to increase the population to rack and stack money for the local government at the expense of the quality of life of its current residents.
- Where there is a mix of affordable housing options inside the (Capital) circle that are not primarily on the south side of Tallahassee

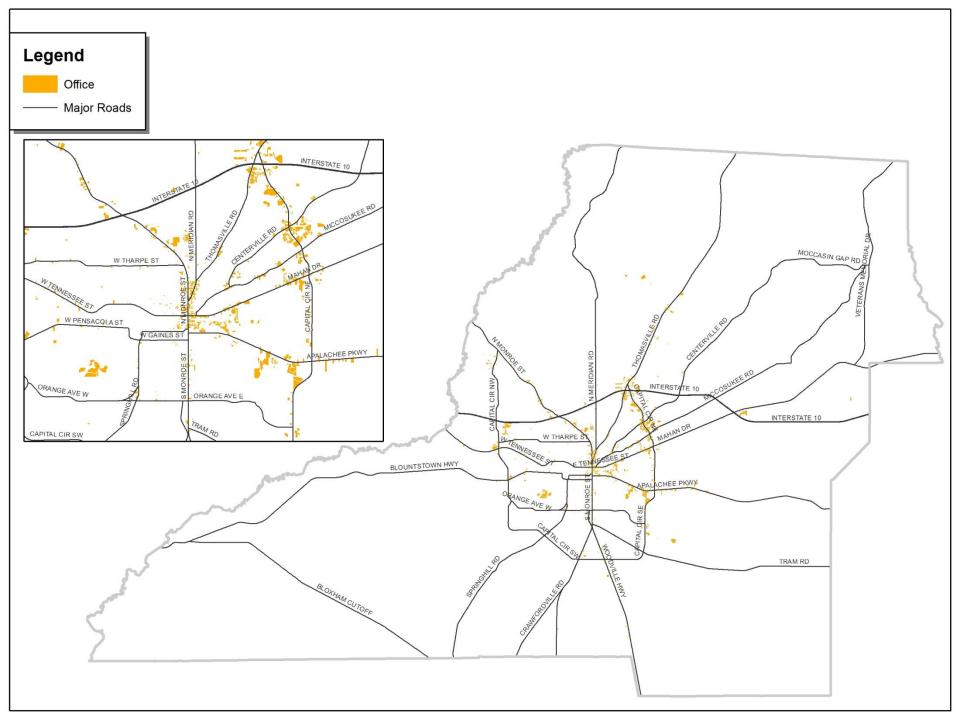


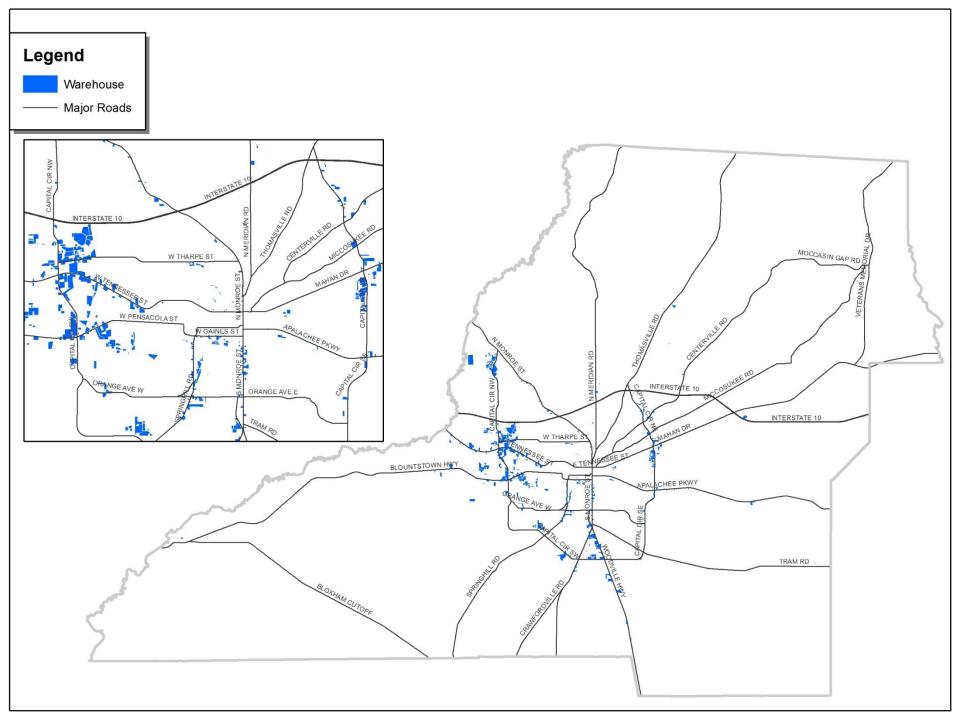


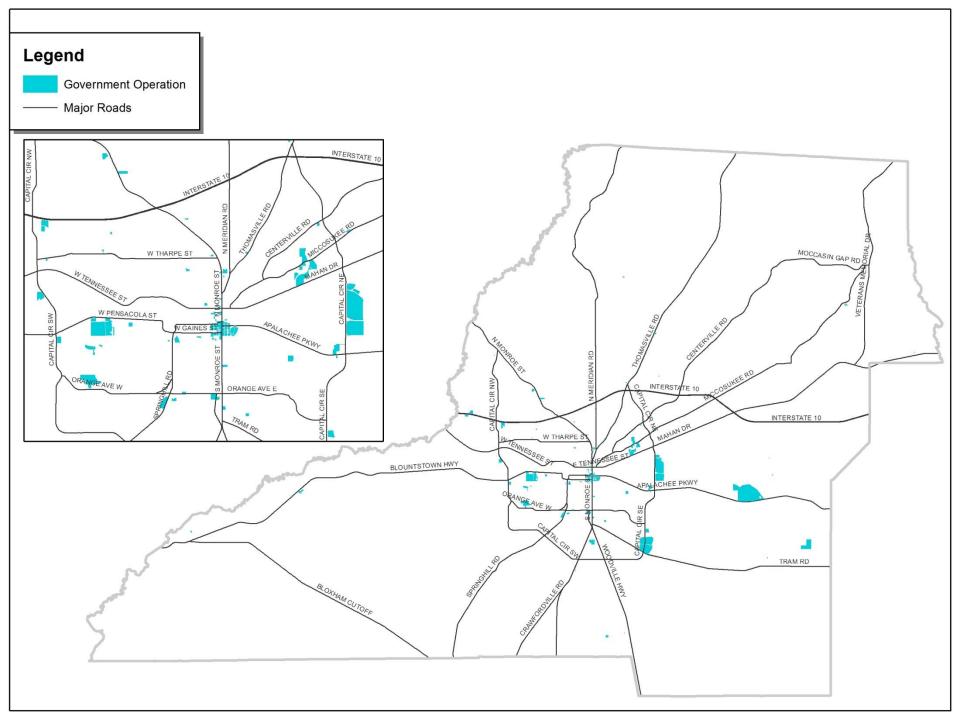


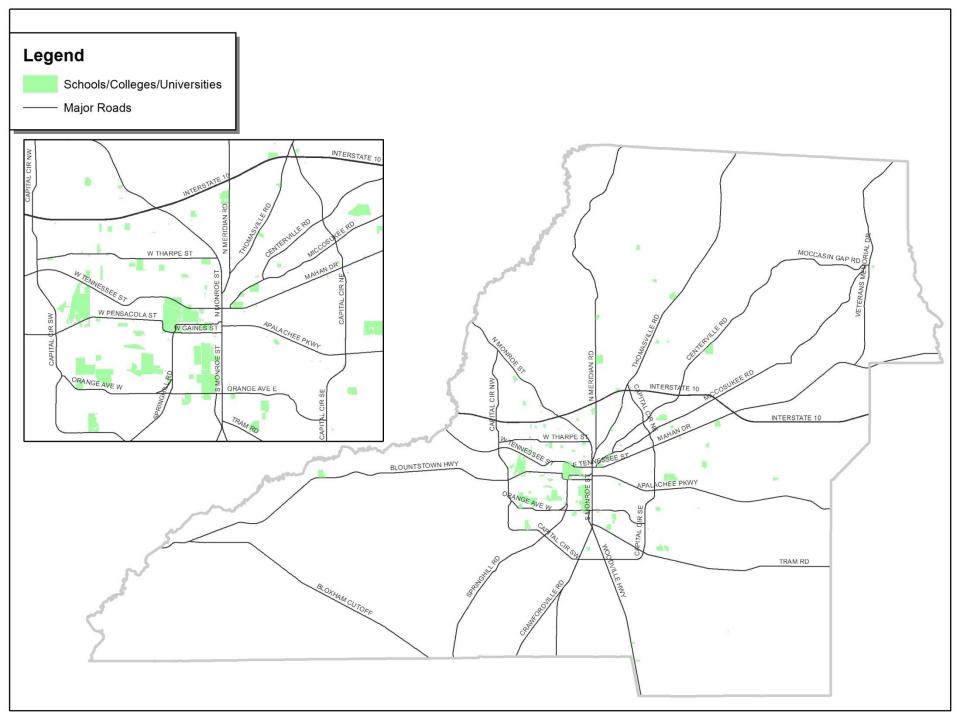


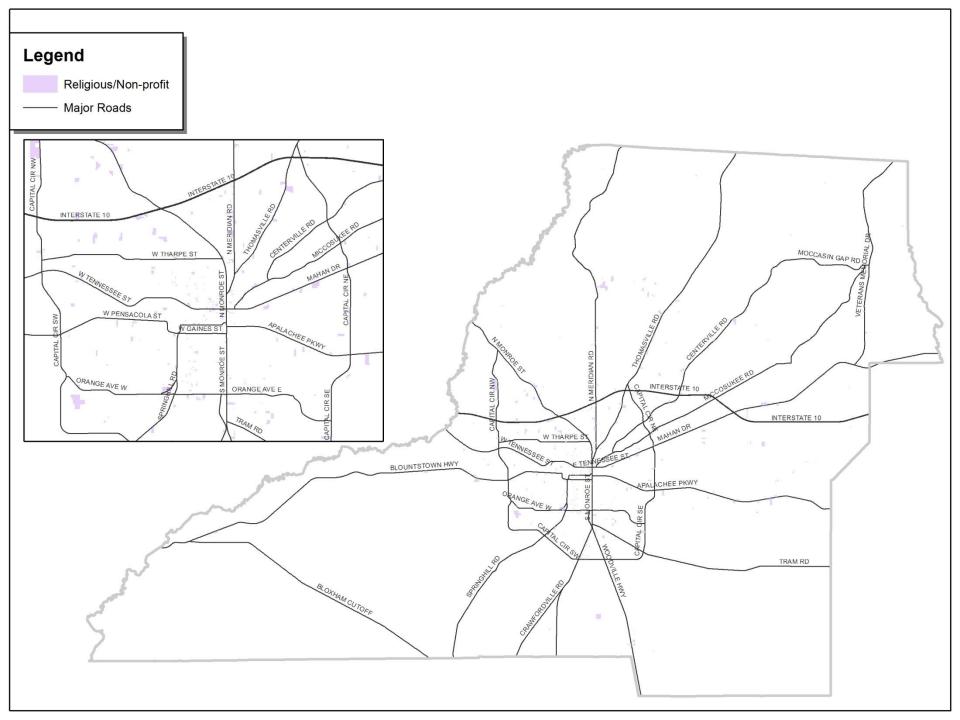


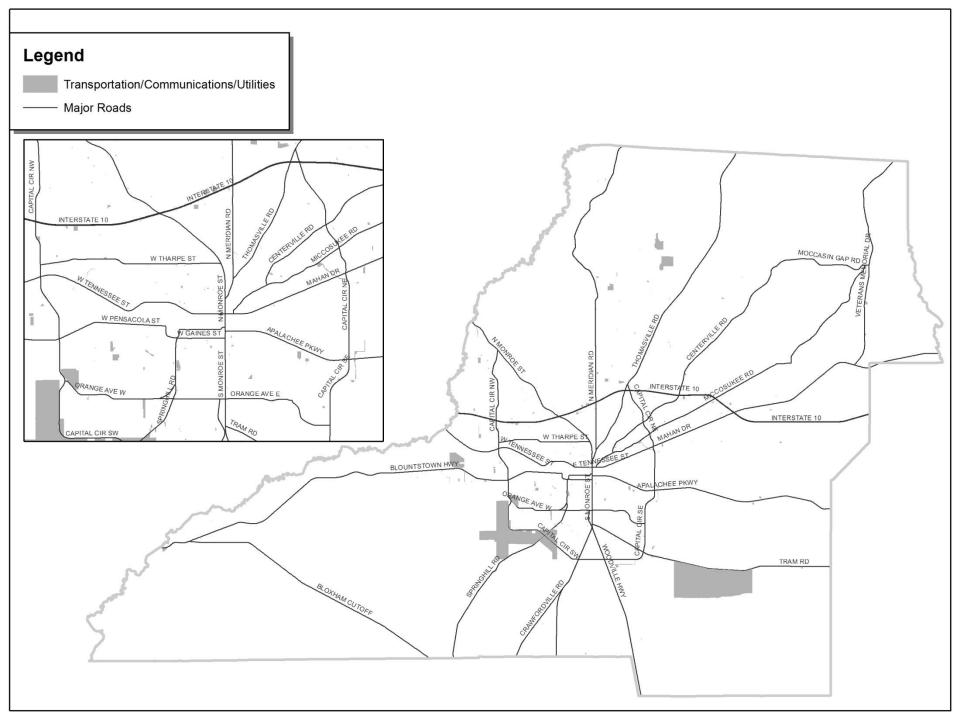


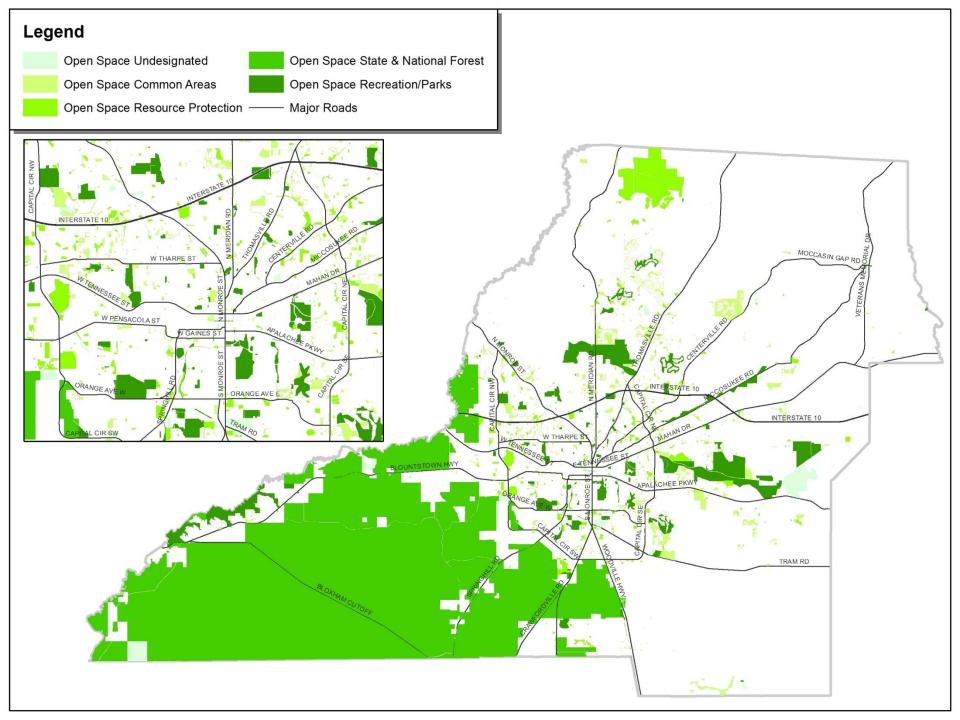












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## 2.18: Lean Urbanism

Reduce barriers that disproportionately burden small-scale developers, entrepreneurs, and builders, such as application requirements, costs, and complexities to promote incremental infill development and economic growth in Urban areas.



# **Community Input**

• Infrastructure needs to be in place or easily expanded as development happens. Renovate/reuse existing buildings and properties rather than increasingly allowing building of more strings of buildings that continue not to be completely occupied.



#### **Adaptive Reuse Example**



#### **Pink Zones**

#### THE LEAN SEAM

WHAT	
ORGANIZATION	TACTICAL URBANISM LEAN URBANISM NEW URBANISM APA - ITE - ULI
PROJECTS	FLASH SUCCESSIONAL PERMANENT CLIMAX
BUSINESS	INFORMAL UNREGISTERED SMALL-BUSINESS CORPORATE
ENGAGEMENT	THE PUBLIC ASSOCIATIONS CORPORATIONS PUBLIC / PRIVATE ORG. GOVERNMENT
REGULATION	HEALTH AND SAFETY LAND USE ENVIRONMENTAL
INFRASTRUCTURE	DEMONSTRATION PILOT PROJECT LIGHT IMPRINT CONVENTIONAL WORKS
FINANCING	SELF-FUNDING CROWD-FUNDING COOPERATIVE FOUNDATION BANKING GOVERNMENT
HOW	
PROCESS	IGNORANCE AVOIDANCE ALLEVIATION REFORM ACCEPTANCE
TACTICS	PROTEST DO-IT-YOUSELF (D.I.Y.) STRATEGIC ACTION ADVOCACY
ACTIVITY	UNSANCTIONED SEMI-SANCTIONED SANCTIONED PERMITTED
SCALE	PLACEMAKING BUILDING DESIGN URBAN DESIGN REGIONAL PLANNING GLOBAL ISSUES
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## **Upcoming Workshops**

- Goal 3 A Robust Economy: April 4, 2019
- Goal 4 Housing Options: April 11, 2019
- Goal 5 Balanced Transportation: April 16, 2019



### More Information

More information about this effort and the Digital Workshop:

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