

AGENDA

GARDEN CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #1

December 15, 2020

1. INTRODUCTIONS

- Committee
- MPC Staff

2. SCOPE & SCHEDULE

- Comprehensive Plan Background
- Committee Meetings & Role
- Public Engagement Process
- Phases of the Plan

3. ACTIVITY

Mapping of City Issues & Opportunities

4. COMMUNITY SURVEY

Review Feedback & Responses

5. ACTIVITY

Budget Allocation Exercise

6. VISIONS/GOALS/STRATEGIES

7. CITY'S FUTURE LAND USE MAP

8. NEXT STEPS

NOTES



GARDEN CITY SWOT ANALYSIS

STRENGTHS

- Characteristics that give Garden City an advantage over others.
- What is your highest value, how does it differentiate with your "competitors"?
- What do others perceive as your strengths?

WEAKNESSES

- Characteristics that place the City at a disadvantage relative to others.
- What do other Cities do better than Garden City?
- What do others perceive as your weaknesses?

OPPORTUNITIES

- What are the elements Garden City could utilize to its advantage?
- What trends or conditions may positively impact you?

THREATS

- What are elements in the environment or area that could cause trouble for the City?
- What trends or conditions may negatively impact the City?

Breakout Session 1: Communities and Land Use

- **Affordable housing:** How is the issue of housing affordability impacting your neighborhood?
- **Land use planning and resilience:** Resilience is a broad term. In comprehensive planning it can apply to how we think about flooding, natural resources, climate emissions, food security, and more. What does resilience mean for you? What steps can the City take to increase our resilience?
- **Transportation:** Where do you see the greatest need for improved bicycle/pedestrian safety in the City of Charleston?
- **Public Transportation:** Would you like to see the expansion of public transportation throughout the City even if that meant the community would have to pay for services provided?

Breakout Session 2: Conservation and Historic Preservation

- **Development:** How would you like to see development patterns and building practices change for the next 10 years of growth in the City?
- **Historic Preservation:** Would you be interested in options to better recognize or protect historic areas outside of downtown Savannah?
- **Conservation of Natural Resources/Greenbelt:** Poll: How would you most like to see the City dedicate a portion of the City's Annual Budget funding?
 - a. many small urban pocket parks
 - b. large open spaces of conserved land to help protect residential areas
 - c. conservation of culturally significant properties
 - d. conservation of properties vulnerable to flooding and threatened by development