

As Part of The Plan 2020 Comp Plan Update to Engage Neighborhoods











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# PLANNING TEAM











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## WHO WE ARE

**Our Vision –** The MPC will be the leader in planning, development, and preserving a greater community through partnerships and an open process.

**Our Mission –** It shall be in the mission of the MPC to provide an accessible planning process, sound professional planning products, and recommendations to ensure a greater quality of life for all to enjoy a community that is historic, sustainable, mobile, and prosperous."



### DEPARTMENTS STAFFED BY THE MPC

ADVANCE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION DEPARTMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

SAVANNAH AREA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (SAGIS)

TRANSPORTATION/METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (COREMPO)

### **BOARDS SUPPORTED BY THE MPC**

THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION

SAGIS

**CORE MPO** 

SAVANNAH HISTORIC DISTRICT **BOARD OF REVIEW** 

HISTORIC SITE & MONUMENT COMMISSION

SAVANNAH HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

**CHATHAM COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** 

**CITY OF SAVANNAH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** 



# **OUR SERVICES**







DEVELOPMENT SERVICES



HISTORIC PRESERVATION



**SAGIS** 

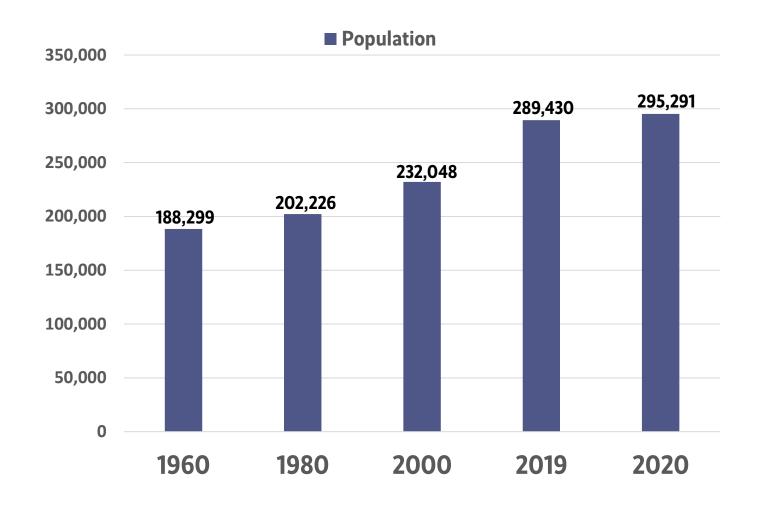


TRANSPORTATION CORE MPO



# **CHATHAM'S GROWTH**

### **Population Increase Since 1960**

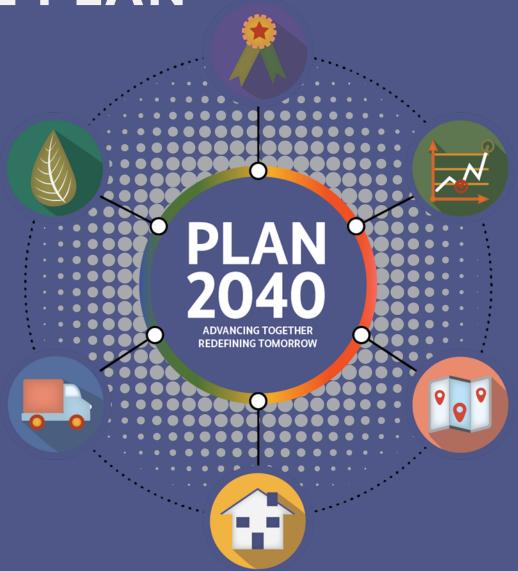




# THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Plan 2040 is the tool to bring all of these elements together and provide direction for the next 20 years:

- Drainage
- Open Space & Natural Resources
- Housing
- Land Use
- Transportation & More





# PLAN ELEMENTS

- 1. Executive Summary
- 2. Community Profile
- 3. Community Vision and Goals
- 4. Economic Development
- 5. Land Use
- 6. Transportation
- 7. Housing
- 8. Natural Resources

- 9. Quality of Life
  - a. Community Health
  - b. Education
  - c. Public Safety
  - d. Broadband
  - e. Historic & Cultural Resources
- 10. Community Strategic Plan & Work Program (STWP)
- 11. Community Participation Program
- 12. All with themes of Resiliency, Climate Change, & COVID-19 impacts discussed throughout
- 13. Service Delivery Strategy (Current)

### PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Goals and strategies are the framework for the policy directions established in the Plan.

- "Goals" are general overarching, broad statements describing the direction that a community wants to go.
- "Strategies" are statements with actions that should be taken, identifying how much, who and when the action should occur.

Together, the overarching **goals** are achieved by implementing the **strategies** within the Comprehensive Plan





# MEETINGS & POP-UP EVENTS

Community input opportunities allowing input and feedback on goals and strategies will continue through the spring.

- October 21 Starland Yard Mini Market
- October 24 County Recycling Event
- November 21 Forsyth Farmers' Market
- November 24 Garden City Senior Center
- **December 9 –** Garden City Gym
- December 12 Forsyth Farmers' Market
- December 15 Garden City City Hall Meeting
- January 12 Garden City City Hall Meeting
- January 22 Pooler City Hall Meeting

Countywide Virtual Meeting

- January 27 10:30 A.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- January 27 3:00 P.M.
   Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **February 22** 5:30 P.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **February 23** 10:30 A.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- February 26 Pooler City Hall Meeting
- March 30 10:30 AM & 3:30 P.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- April 2021 TOWNTalks
- May TOWNtalks: Various Neighborhood Assns. and Churches Countywide













# PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Make sure your opinion is heard,
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190 followers

**196** following

#### The MPC

56 posts

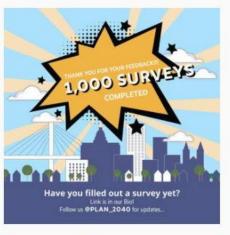
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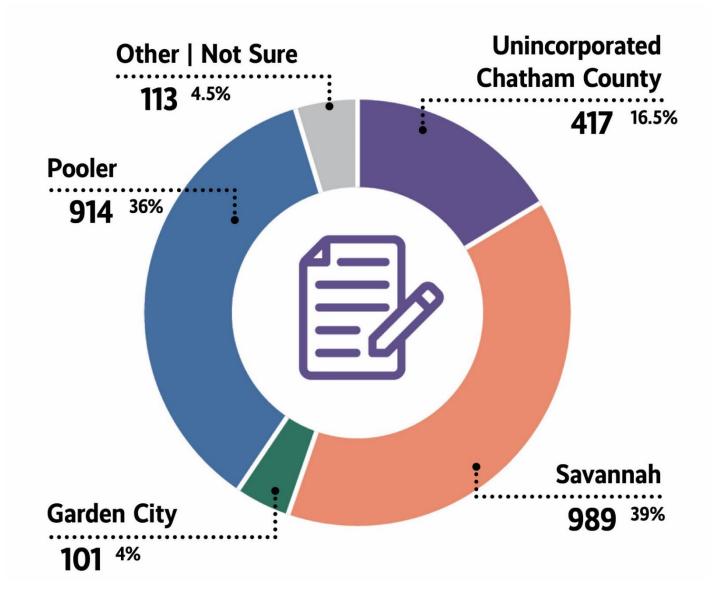


## **PUBLIC SURVEY**

- Survey was live for 80+ days
- Survey topics included:
  - Land Use
  - Transportation/Infrastructure
  - Housing
  - Climate Change & Sea Level Rise
  - Education
  - Public Safety
  - Historic/Cultural Resources

Total Survey Responses: 2,534





# CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT

 As each Element was completed, the document was uploaded to the website for public review.

 The combined Elements of the Draft Plan can also be found on the website

https://www.thempc.org/docs/lit/compplan/2 021/Plan2040Draft.pdf



VIEW FULL PLAN 2040 DRAFT

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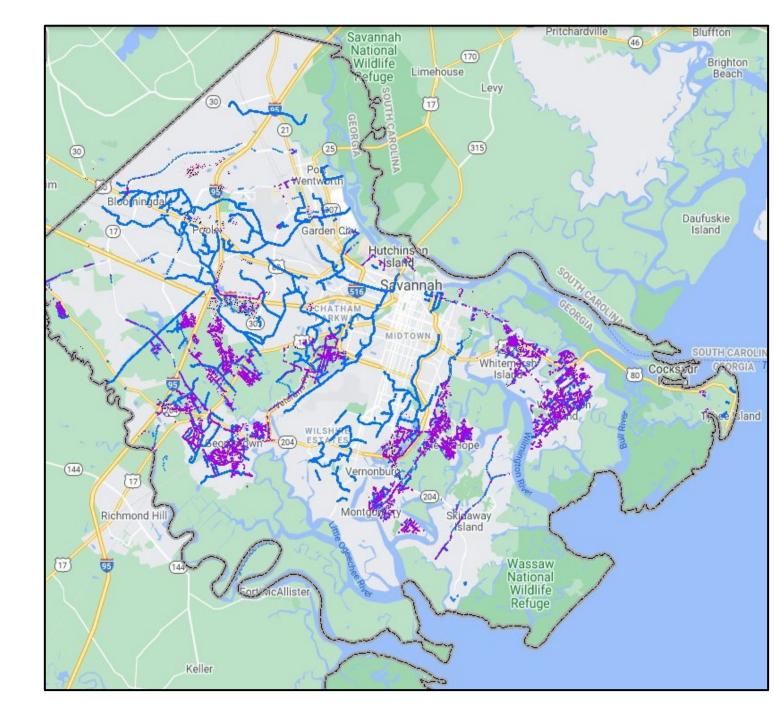
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# KEY ELEMENTS

**Drainage:** Chatham County Canals, Ditches, and Outfalls

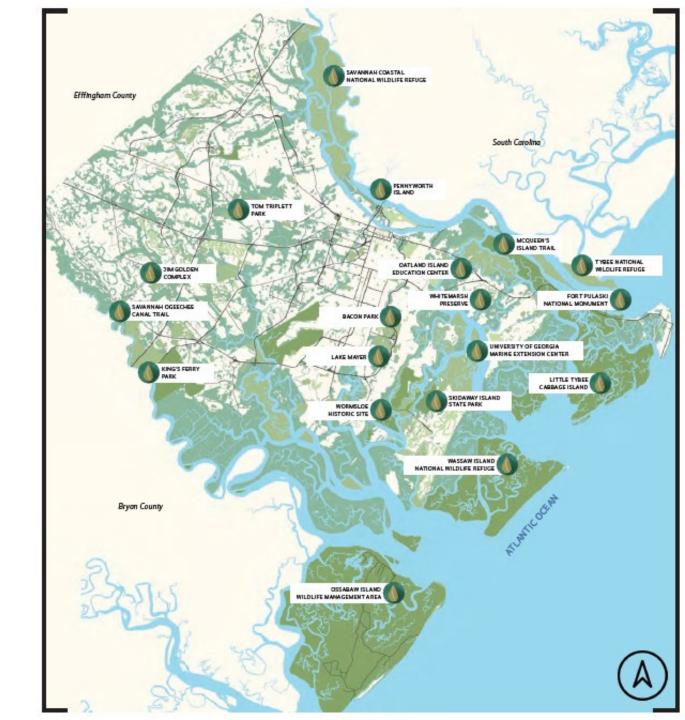




# **KEY ELEMENTS**

**Open Space:** Chatham County Parks, Recreation and Conservation Areas





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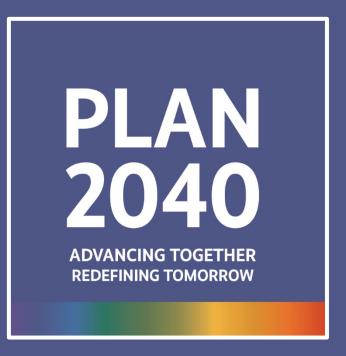
**Housing:** A Countywide evaluation and plan for housing is needed.

Working to provide an adequate supply of affordable housing stock can result in more opportunities for people at all income levels with more money available for spending in the community.









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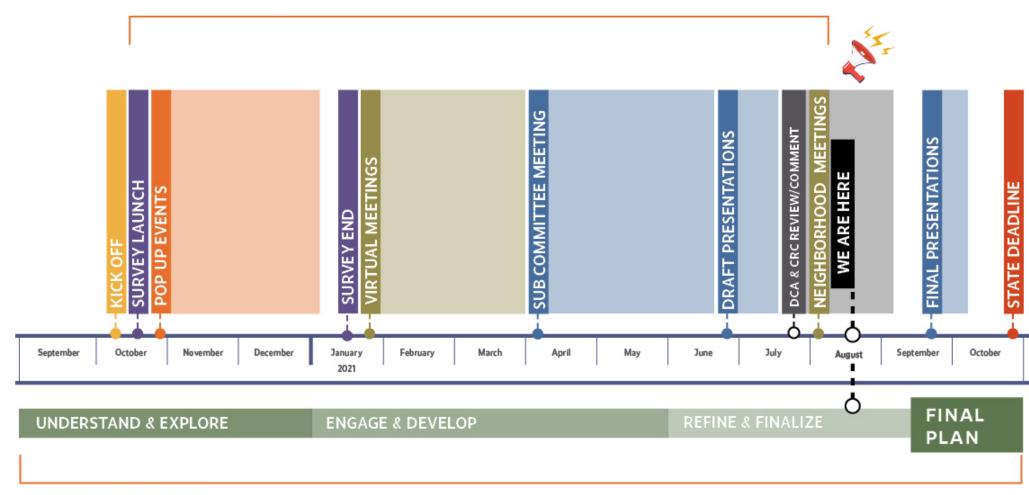




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# PROJECT TIMELINE

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PHASE



## IMPORTANT DATES

- August 2021, General Public, County Commission and City Council providing input on DRAFT material and Goals
- September: Amended Plan will be routed to City Council for approval
- September: Amended Plan will be routed to County Commission for approval
- October 31, 2021: FINAL Approved Plan must be adopted by City and County and then routed back to the State for final approval



# QUESTIONS BEFORE OUR GROUP EXERCISE?





## **GOALS EXERCISE**



### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah anchors a thriving, business-friendly, regional economy in which all workers are prepared for quality jobs, and residents feel empowered to attain a high quality of life



### In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah are healthy and safe places to live, work, play and raise a family, and its social and economic values integrate the area's history, natural resources, efficient government, and public mobility system



### NATURAL RESOURCES In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah is enhanced by the protection and maintenance of natural resources and ecosystems



### HISTORIC RESOURCES

In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah as historical and emerging cultural resources provide unique advantages to balance preservation with development and economic growth



### **EDUCATION**

In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah has innovative and inclusive educational systems, and are a model of academic excellence that enable students to have the knowledge, skills and ability to succeed at chosen pathways



### TRANSPORTATION In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah prioritizes safe mobility for all users; offers efficient mobility options to support economic vitality; provides infrastructure that is sensitive to unique local characteristics; connects neighborhoods to education, employment, and services; and sustains environmental quality with clean mobility modes



### HOUSING In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah achieves affordable, diverse and safe housing for its residents through efficient and effective policies and programs



#### COMMUNITY HEALTH In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah has a culture of health including equal access to quality and affordable healthcare, chronic disease prevention, health inclusive policies, and healthy environmental design



### PUBLIC SAFETY In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah provide a community that is a safe place to live, work, and raise a family, and within which protection of residents is considered an integral part of its social and economic values



### BROADBAND & FIBER OPTICS In 2040...

Unincorporated Chatham County & Savannah has closed the digital divide to ensure access to fast affordable, and reliable broadband while acquiring world class broadband network capabilities to accelerate high-tech business development

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