



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Frequently Asked Questions

A Comprehensive Plan is a *10-year vision* for the future of the City of Auburn. Our plan was last updated in 2010. Rather than a complete re-write of the 2010 plan, the City Council voted to update the following sections in 2021:

Recreation & Open Space Chapter
Transportation Chapter (New Turnpike Interchange)
Future Land Use Map/Plan Chapter: Industrial Transitions, Gateways, Turnpike Exits, Walkability, Livability and Safety
Housing Chapter
New Chapter: Promoting Food Access and Growing Auburn's Agriculture Economy
Ensure the entire Comprehensive Plan is equitable

A Working Group was formed and split into three subgroups:

Recreation/Open Space/Agriculture

Transportation

Zoning

HOW DOES THIS "UPDATE" PROCESS WORK?

STEP 1: Each Subgroup meets, updates a section of the Comprehensive Plan and brings it back to the larger Working Group for Discussion.

STEP 2: The larger Working Group meets to come to a consensus on the language.

STEP 3: Once a consensus is reached, the larger Working Group sends the language to the Planning Board and City Council.

STEP 4: Three Community Conversation Meetings are conducted for Public Comment.

STEP 5: The Planning Board reviews the language, conducts a Public Hearing and makes a recommendation to City Council on whether they support the language or what changes the board feels should be made before it is finalized.

STEP 6: The City Council has a First Reading and conducts a Public Hearing on the proposed language, recommended changes are discussed at this meeting.

STEP 7: The City Council holds a Second Reading and makes a final decision on the proposed update language.

TENTATIVE UPDATE TIMELINE

Community Conversation Meetings:

April 27, 2021 at 6:00PM | Central Auburn

April 29, 2021 at 6:00PM | North Auburn

May 4, 2021 at 6:00PM | South Auburn

Planning Board Meeting:

June 8, 2021 at 6:00PM

City Council First Reading/Public Hearing:

June 21, 2021 at 7:00PM

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Planning Board Public Hearings with recommendations to the City Council on applicable sections

City Council Public Hearing and First Reading

Three additional Community Conversation information sessions

Online Community Survey

FMI, VISIT: www.auburnmaine.gov/pages/government/comprehensive-plan