

City of Vincent

Why does Vincent need a new Comprehensive Plan?

- A Comprehensive Plan is an adopted policy document intended to assist elected officials and City leaders with decision-making over the next 10-15 years.
- The development of the new Vincent Comprehensive Plan will be a community-driven process to create a unifying vision for the future of the City and acknowledges the opportunities and challenges facing the City today.
- It will be an action-based plan of topical recommendations that can be implemented that will focus on addressing issues regarding new development, parks and recreation, future land use, transportation, natural resources, economic development, quality of life and public facilities.
- The existing Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2008 and contains recommendations that are no longer relevant. As a growing city, planning is essential to prepare for future growth and development and the inevitable changes in the City.

Methods to gain public input:

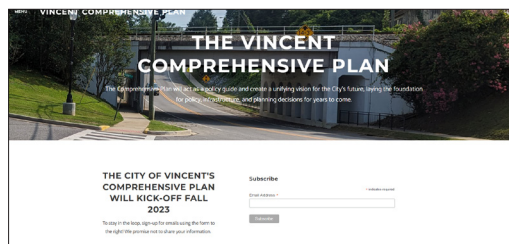
The process to develop the new Comprehensive Plan will be an open and collaborative process that will solicit input from elected officials, City staff, the public and any other interested parties. The public involvement process will include the following methods to gain input:

- ❑ **A dedicated Project Website** will be updated at milestones and will provide a wide range of project information, including contact details, meeting announcements, presentations, and other project related materials. Visit www.PlanVincent.com
- ❑ **A Visioning Survey** will be used to gain input about citizen's perceptions of public services, infrastructure, transportation, safety, parks and open space, growth and development, and city services, etc.
- ❑ **Public Meetings / Open Houses** will be conducted to gain public feedback regarding key issues that will need to be addressed and to present an overview of the key elements and recommendations in the Draft Comprehensive Plan.
- ❑ **Focus Groups and Stakeholder Interviews** – These will be directed toward very specific segments or groups and are primarily designed to enhance the understanding of key issues and trends shaping the City.

Scan the QR Code below to take the Visioning Survey



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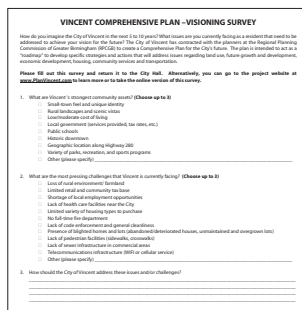
Focus Groups



Public Open Houses



Visioning Survey



Print Media



Project Timeline

The Comprehensive Plan typically takes between 9 to 12 months to complete.

1

Community Visioning & Existing Conditions
Public survey & analysis of existing conditions and trends

2

Plan Development & Recommendations
Development of action-oriented recommendations, Draft Future Land Use Map

3

Plan Documentation & Publication
Public review of Draft Comprehensive Plan

4

Plan Finalization & Adoption
Final Plan adoption by Planning Commission and endorsement by the City

What will be included in the new Comprehensive Plan document?

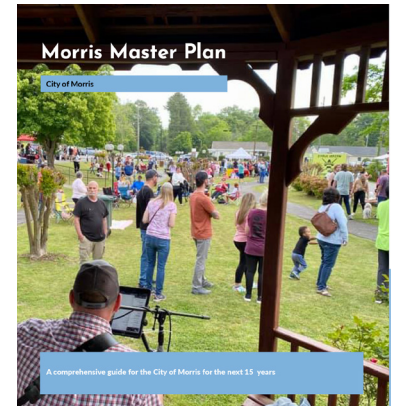
- An Existing Conditions Report** will include an analysis of existing conditions and trends in the City of Vincent today. The following topics will be included: population and demographic trends, housing trends, employment trends, and an analysis of existing land use, zoning, community facilities and the components of the local transportation system.
- A Future Land Use Map** will be developed and will replace the 2008 Future Land Use Map. This new Map will be very important because it will be used as the primary policy guide by which the Vincent Planning Commission can assess new development proposals and make rezoning recommendations. It will be created based on a thorough examination of existing land uses, current zoning designations, public input, and the most likely and/or best potential future land use for undeveloped areas.
- A topical list of recommended actions** for implementation will be crafted based on existing conditions and public input received. Recommendations may be related to catalytic projects, code enforcement strategies, improvements needed to the built environment, ensuring that the city's infrastructure can support growth, improvements needed to existing community facilities and services, providing more recreational amenities, and the expansion of multi-modal transportation options.
- A Public Involvement Summary** will provide an overview of public outreach methods used and will provide detailed survey and activity results.

Who's leading the development of the new Comprehensive Plan and how much does it cost?

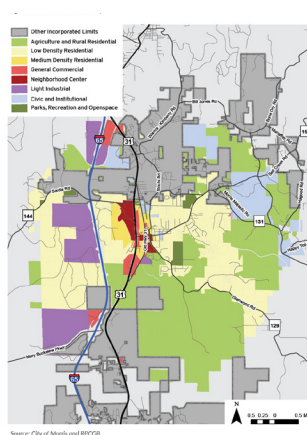
- The City Council voted on June 1, 2023 to hire the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham (RPCGB) to develop the new Vincent Comprehensive Plan (Resolution No. 2023-06-01). A grant program administered through the RPCGB provided federal funding for 80% of the total project cost, and the City of Vincent paid \$13,000.00 for the local match of 20% of the total project cost. To learn more about the RPCGB visit www.rpcgb.org/

Typical Chapters include:

- Plan Overview
- Future Land Use
- Livability
- Green Systems
- Public Services
- Implementation



Example Future Land Use Map + Categories



Medium Density Residential

Primary Land Uses
Commercial, retail, offices, restaurants, civic and institutional buildings.

Secondary Land Uses
Residential uses.

Related Zoning Districts

- C-1 Commercial Recreation District
- C-1 Residential Commercial District
- C-2 General Commercial District
- C-3 Special Commercial District

General Characteristics

- Intended to allow small-scale, mixed-use development.
- Ideal location for various types of commercial, residential, civic and institutional uses.
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Example Comprehensive Plan Pages

Goal #2
Improve the quality of life in the city by providing a variety of recreational opportunities for all residents.

CommuteSmart
Encourage the use of public transit, carpooling, and other alternative modes of transportation to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality.

Goal #1
Improve the quality of life in the city by providing a variety of recreational opportunities for all residents.

Higher quality of life is not the only benefit of a park. Parks also provide a variety of other benefits, including:

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