
**VILLAGE OF SUGAR GROVE
BOARD REPORT**

TO: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: WALTER MAGDZIARZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
DANIELLE MARION, PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
SUBJECT: DISCUSSION: 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
AGENDA: MAY 16, 2023 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
DATE: MAY 12, 2023

ISSUE

Shall the Village Board discuss the proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan.

DISCUSSION

In 2019 the Village was awarded a Local Technical Assistance (LTA) grant from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) to prepare a Comprehensive Plan. CMAP selected Design Workshop to prepare the plan and to lead and organize the public participation process for the plan.

A Comprehensive Plan is an aspirational policy document addressing all facets of community development including the familiar land uses and transportation, but also community services, transit, ecological, social and intergovernmental considerations. This plan aimed to address three critical areas: sustainable economic development, fiscal and ecological sustainability and resilience, and increasing diversity among housing choices and transportation options. As part of the environmental sustainability and resilience emphasis and in response to issues in nearby communities, an evaluation of the community's potable water resources supply was included.

The current Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2006 and that was a different time. That Plan accommodated significant growth and development in the community's planning area based on assumptions rooted in population and job growth occurring at all-time highs in the region and other trends occurring at the time. Since then, much has changed. The 2008 Great Recession literally re-set the market and economics for corporate boardrooms to households in the region and country. Climate change has increased in complexity and presented new challenges for the community and the region. Population growth and job creation in the region today is a shadow of what the region was experiencing in 2006. Other demographic changes that were underway prior to the pandemic in 2020 have accelerated and will influence community development going forward. In short, the Village cannot continue applying 2006 solutions to 2023 problems and challenges.

The [2023 Comprehensive Plan](#) is based on current demographic and economic conditions, and while it is not intended to predict the future, it identifies the things that decision-makers will need to focus on going forward. The Comprehensive Plan is a long term document, representing what the community could be like in 20-plus years based on current conditions and trends.

The Plan is not a regulatory tool. Adoption of the Plan does not change a thing. Only implementation of the Plan's recommendations will bring about change. While implementation of the Plan's recommendations is mainly dependent upon updating and revising the zoning and subdivision regulations, other regulations in the Village Code may come into play as needed. There are recommendations in the Plan that will require further study in order to implement. Additionally, there are community development recommendations in the Plan that rely upon other government and non-government agencies to implement.

Community participation in the preparation of the Plan was a challenge as development of the plan occurred during a pandemic and public gatherings were limited or restricted. Design Workshop, the planning consultant, employed innovative approaches to getting public input using all manner of technology, including on-line polling techniques.

At the outset, the primary objective of the Comprehensive Plan was to address environmental, social and fiscal sustainability and resilience. Based on community input, the Plan rests on three core visions for the community:

- Building on and connecting what is here
- Growth occurring incrementally, at a neighborhood scale; and
- A community defined by nature

From the vision, a number of themes were developed that provide a starting point for policy recommendations:

- Protect and enhance the community's neighborhood scale
- Plan with smart growth principles
- Diversify the Village tax base and reduce its long-term costs
- Enhance the local business climate and encourage local entrepreneurship
- Create destinations for community gathering and entertainment
- Preserve and protect the community's natural setting/feel
- Improve connectivity throughout Sugar Grove and to nearby destinations
- Enhance safety for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Create opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to prosper

- Protect natural resources through strategic growth planning and a focus on long-term sustainability

Among the recommendations for future development, there are four intertwined Smart Growth principles that will help achieve the goals of the Plan:

- Encouraging higher density development in appropriate locations
- Introduction of the concept of 15-minute neighborhoods, areas of walkable scale and diverse mix of uses in close proximity in order to reduce reliance on the automobile for mobility
- Encouraging mixed-use development in appropriate locations throughout the community
- Encouraging diversity in housing choices and options in the community; the large lot detached single-family home monoculture is not sustainable and doesn't support housing choice and diversity

At first glance, the new Comprehensive Plan may not appear to be all that new as the land use recommendations appear generally similar to the current plan and many community development recommendations are similar in nature. However, upon closer examination and taken in its totality, the proposed Plan represents a shift in approach towards community development. There is an emphasis on directing future growth and development to areas where current infrastructure can accommodate it presently or with nominal new investment. There is an emphasis on higher density development and mixed-use development in appropriate locations. There is a shift in emphasis on connectivity throughout the Village from reliance on more roads and streets to alternative transportation such as walking and bicycling as preferred methods and choices. The community has always had a healthy respect for the ecological functions of the landscape and this is reinforced in the proposed Plan.

A significant improvement over the current 2006 Plan, the 2023 Plan includes a detailed list of recommended actions to implement the Plan's recommendations. These are not obligatory but provide a quick glance—a to-do list—at the work that lies ahead to achieve the Plan recommendations. This ensures the Plan does not gather dust on a shelf after its adoption.

Early in the process, there was information shared with the public concerning the Village's potable water resources, namely the reliability of the supply. Based on information collected in nearby communities there was reason to believe the Village's water resource supply was in peril. New and recent information from authoritative sources concludes this is not the case. In fact, the Village's water supply is much more stable than originally thought. This is not to suggest the Village has no worries about its water supply in the future. Rather, conservation and constant monitoring of the supply will need to be the watchwords going forward. The Village's water supply is not in jeopardy.

The Village and consultant went to great lengths to generate public participation in the planning process utilizing social media, the Village website and other channels to call attention to the process and public events. While the numbers of people that participated in in-person events was

light, the on-line participation events were well attended. In total, more than 1,000 persons participated in one or more events. This is a very high participation rate for a process such as the Comprehensive Plan.

The purpose of public participation is not a referendum on development. Rather it is a process to provide opportunities for people to provide their concerns, desires and ideas in the determination of a vision, goals and objectives for the development of the community. To this end, the public participation process was a success because we learned new issues and concerns, received confirmation about a number of issues, and, perhaps more important, heard from new voices previously not part of the community development dialogue in Sugar Grove.

The Planning Commission held the requisite public hearing and heard objectors to the Plan, largely from outside the community and in the IL 47 corridor north of the Tollway. Commissioners see many positive things in the Plan and recognize there is much work ahead to implement the vision. The Planning Commission recommends the Village Board approve the 2023 Comprehensive Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

- Recommendation PC23-008
- Consultant's public hearing presentation (pdf)
- 2023 Comprehensive Plan key recommendations summary (pdf)
- [2023 Comprehensive Plan](#)

RECOMMENDATION

The Village Board provide comments and direction to Village staff and the consultant in order to prepare the final approval documents.

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R E C O M M E N D A T I O N

PC23-008

TO: Village President and Board of Trustees

FROM: Planning Commission

DATE: Meeting of May 11, 2023

PETITION: 23-004 Comprehensive Plan

PROPOSAL

To adopt a new Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Sugar Grove.

BACKGROUND & HISTORY

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DISCUSSION

The Planning Commission discussed the proposed 2023 Comprehensive Plan. Overall Commissioners felt there were many positive aspects to the plan to include protecting our natural resources, expanding our housing options, connectivity throughout the Village. They also noted that there were some areas that they felt needed some additional work to include focus on technology advances and higher tech jobs and higher education. The Planning Commission felt this plan was a great improvement from our current plan.

PUBLIC RESPONSE

After due notice, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on April 24, 2023. Objectors were present.

EVALUATION

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RECOMMENDATION

After carefully considering the facts and testimony, the Planning Commission recommends the Village Board **approve** the 2023 Comprehensive Plan.

AYES: Jones, Eckert, Guddendorf, Sabo, Wilson, Bieritz, Ochsenschlager

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Passed



2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC HEARING

APRIL 24, 2023

AGENDA

INTRODUCTIONS

PROJECT OVERVIEW

ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

PLAN VISION

IMPLEMENTATION

NEXT STEPS



INTRODUCTIONS

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Traffic Calmer

merging mobility + civility

DESIGNWORKSHOP

PROJECT OVERVIEW

PROCESS OVERVIEW

OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN



Integrate existing plans and initiatives into a community-wide vision for the future



Create a resource to inform policy decisions



Set priorities and responsibilities for land use planning and community development



Outline specific goals and strategies to achieve the plan's vision



Help village staff, leadership, and officials initiate tasks and make decisions



Outline a strategic plan to accommodate growth

PLAN OUTCOMES

WHO WILL USE THIS PLAN?

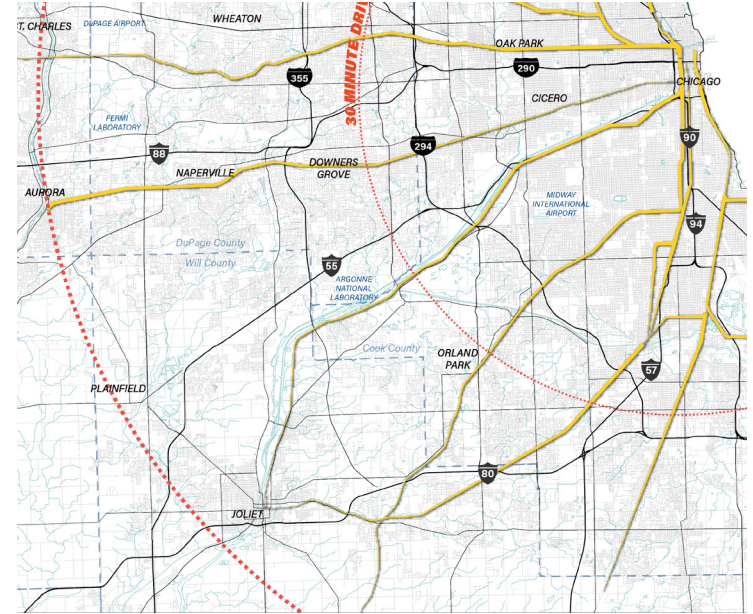


HOW WILL THIS PLAN BE USED?

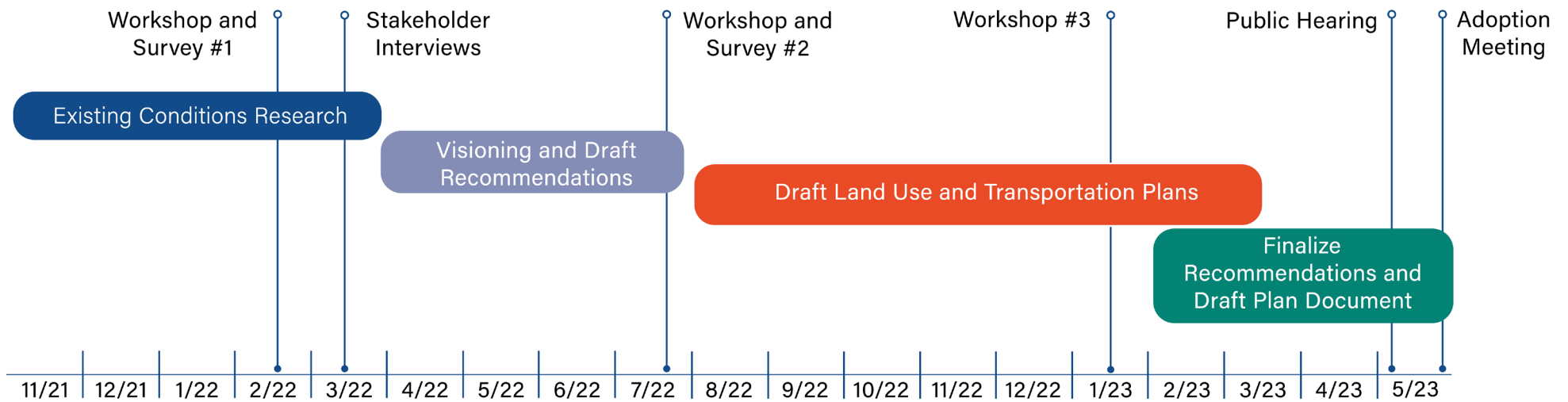


ON TO 2050

1. Inclusive Growth: Growing our economy through opportunity for all.
2. Resilience: Preparing for rapid changes, both known and unknown.
3. Prioritized Investment: Carefully target resources to maximize benefit.



PROJECT TIMELINE



ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

Public Survey #1



872 responses



Community Event #1



30 participants



Public Survey #2



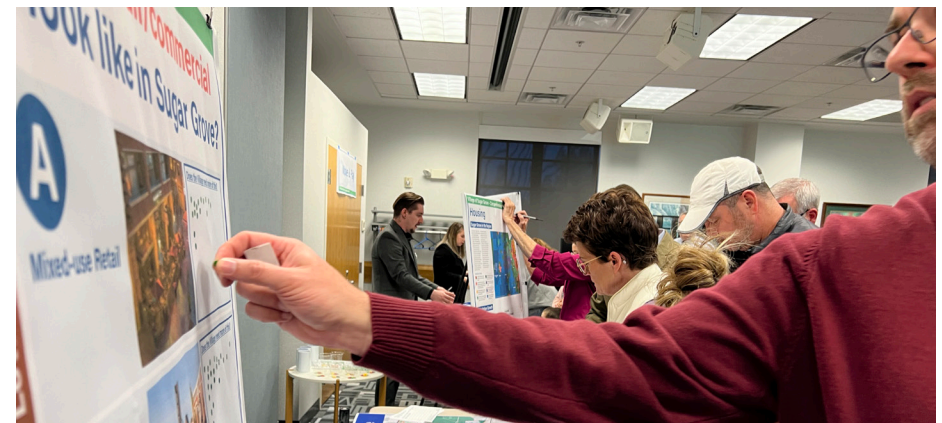
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Community Event #2



10 participants



Community Event #3



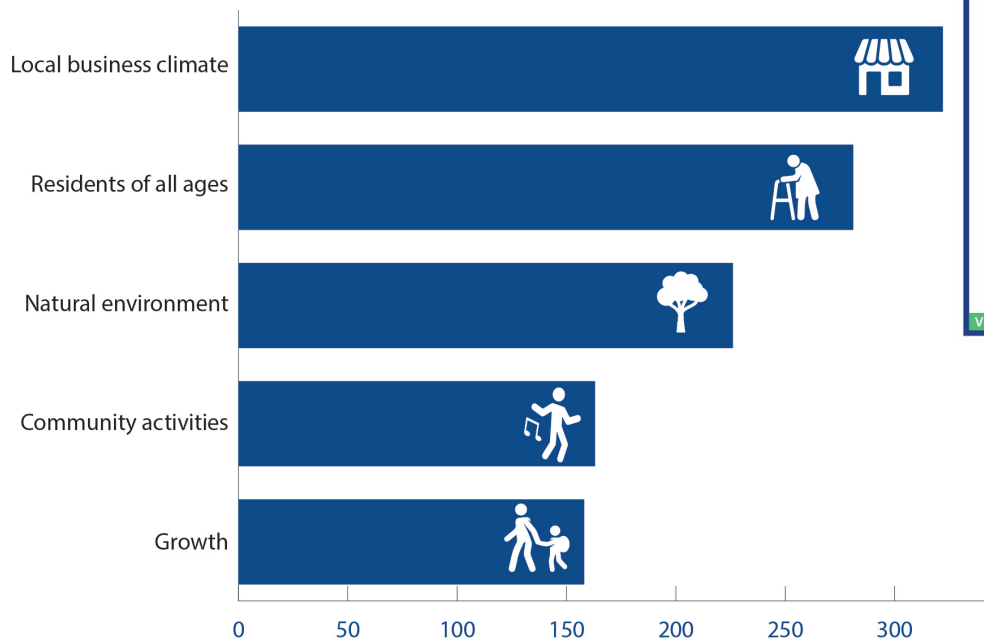
113 participants

KEY TAKEAWAYS

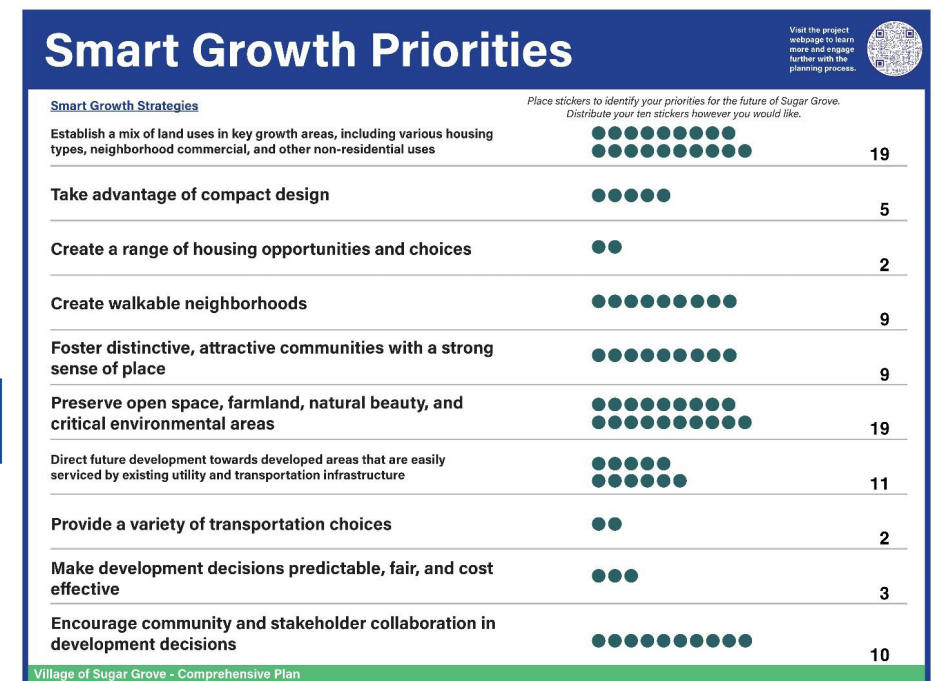
PROTECTION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Future growth should expand, protect, and connect natural amenities.

Protecting the natural environment was selected by survey respondents as one of the top three priorities for the Comprehensive Plan.



Workshop 2 responses: "Please identify your priorities for the future of Sugar Grove."

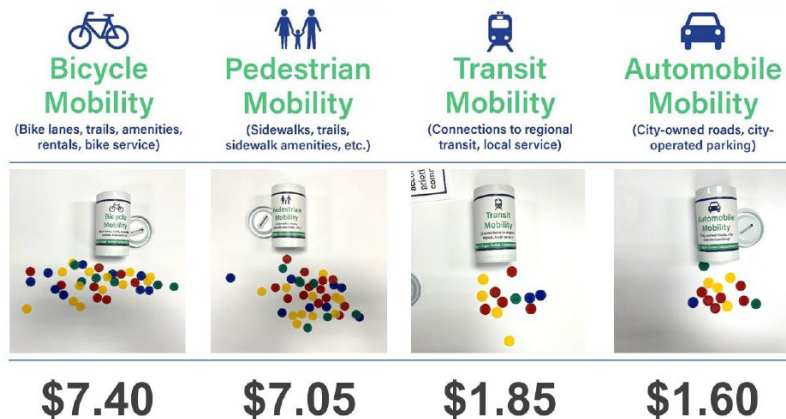


KEY TAKEAWAYS

LACK OF MOBILITY

An increase in bicycle and pedestrian mobility connectivity is deeply desired by residents.

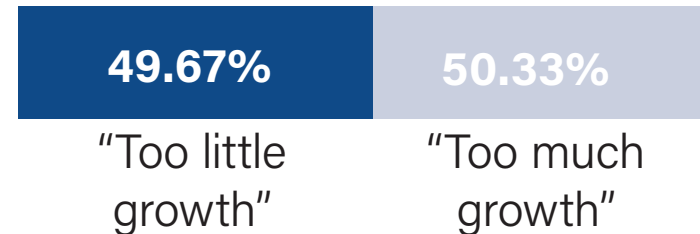
Workshop 1 respondents dedicated most spending towards bicycle and pedestrian mobility infrastructure.



PRESERVATION OF VILLAGE CHARACTER

Participants want to see Sugar Grove's "small town character" and rural context maintained and emphasized in the future.

The most popular responses to what threats there are to Sugar Grove's quality of life were too much growth (13% of question respondents) and too little growth (14%).

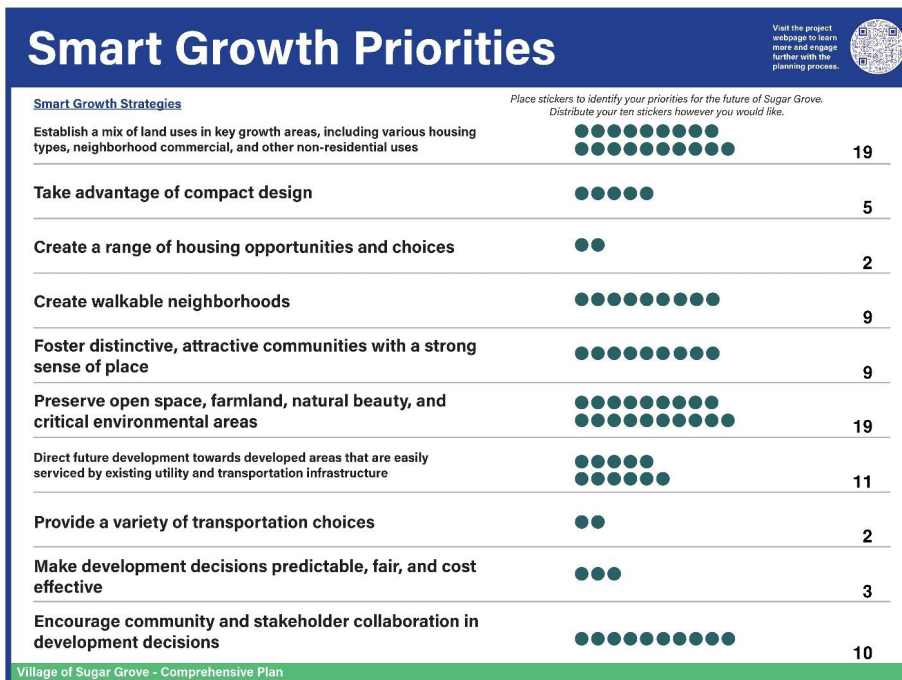


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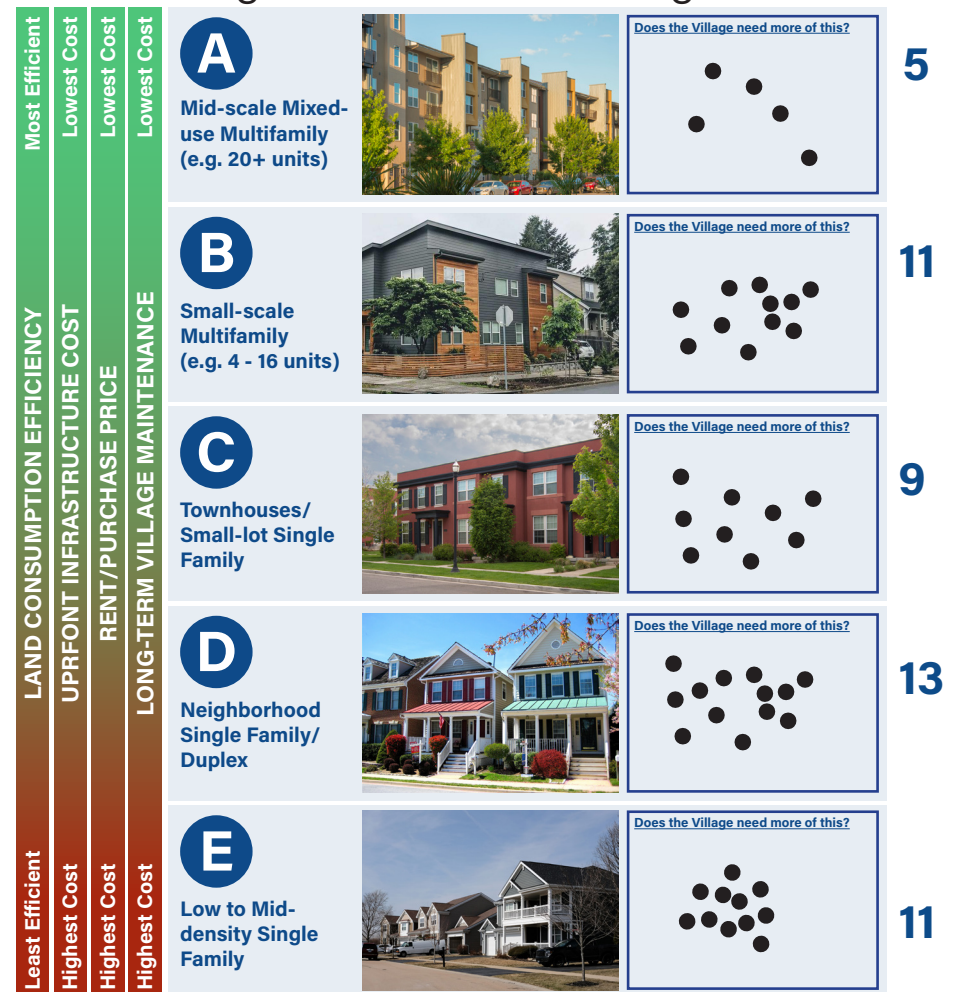
LIMITED HOUSING OPTIONS

Participants would like more housing choices for aging populations and young professionals that are compatible with existing homes.

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Workshop 1 Responses: "What should residential growth look like in Sugar Grove?"

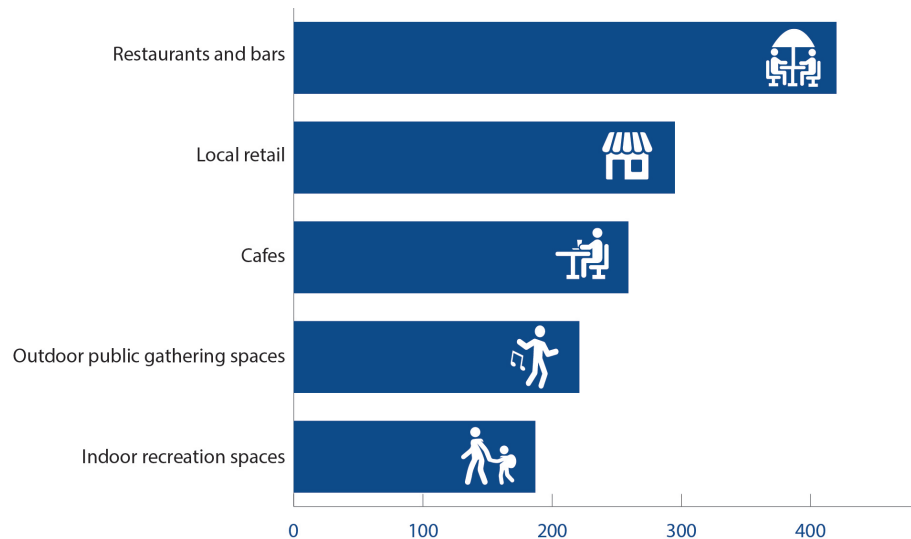


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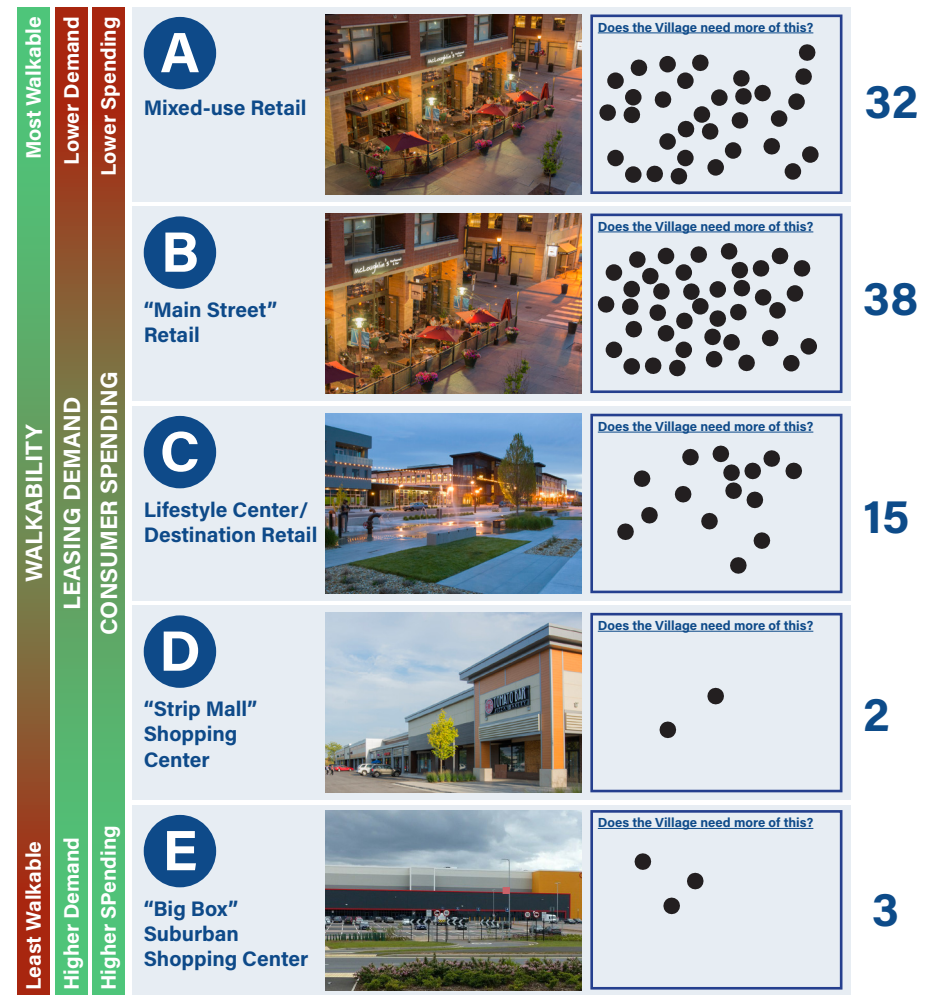
LACK OF RETAIL AND A VILLAGE CENTER

Participants emphasized the lack of local retail, dining, and entertainment options.

Survey respondents felt that Sugar Grove's community would be strengthened by adding cafes and bars, local retail, cafes, and spaces for gathering and recreation.

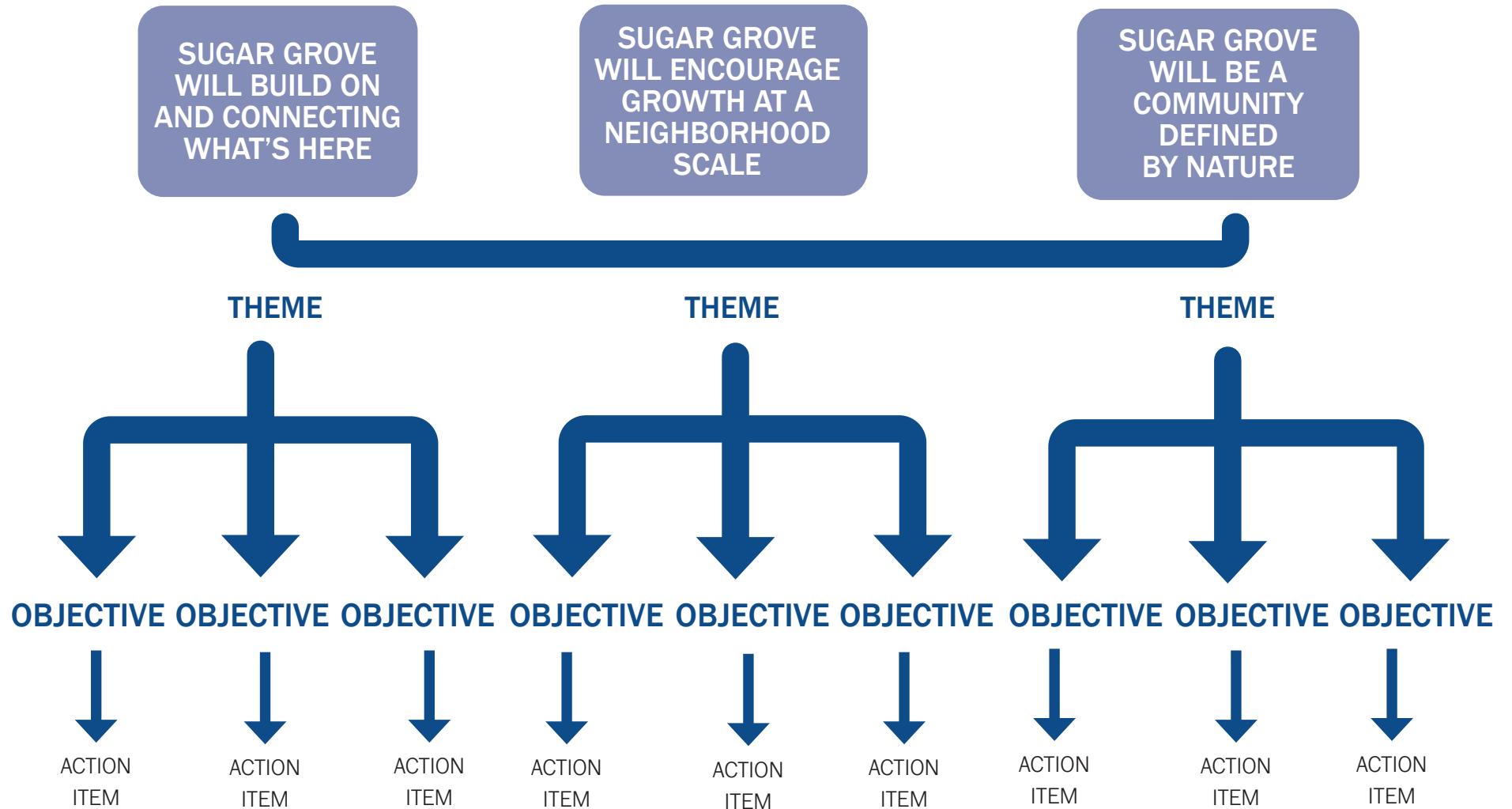


Workshop 1 Responses: "What should retail/commercial growth look like in Sugar Grove?"



PLAN VISION

FUTURE VISION AND PLAN THEMES



THEME 1: PROVIDE MOBILITY AND ENSURE THAT ALL MODES ARE SAFE AND CONNECTED.



THEME 2: REINFORCE NEIGHBORHOOD SCALE DEVELOPMENT TO ENSURE THAT RESIDENTIAL AREAS ARE DIVERSE, CONNECTED, AND LIVABLE.



THEME 3: CREATE DESTINATIONS FOR COMMUNITY GATHERING AND ENTERTAINMENT.



THEME 4: ENSURE A RESILIENT ECONOMY.



THEME 5: PROTECT THE COMMUNITY'S HIGHLY VALUED NATURAL RESOURCES.



THEME 6: CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES, BACKGROUNDS, AND ABILITIES TO PROSPER IN THE COMMUNITY.



IMPLEMENTATION

FACTORS INFLUENCING AND SHAPING THE COMMUNITY

WATER AVAILABILITY

Illinois State Water Survey (ISWS) concluded that Sugar Grove could be at risk of declining well performance and the village's standstone withdrawals are not sustainable.

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

Sugar Grove is expected to increase by 97% to 18,735 (CMAP and ESRI).

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES

Sugar Grove's highway access helps attract industries.

SENSE OF PLACE

The number of residents ages 60 and older will nearly double between now and 2050 (CMAP), adding to the growing desire for mixed-use communities.

STRAIN ON ECOLOGICALLY SENSITIVE LANDS

There is a growing desire to proactively link ecological corridors and preserve natural lands.

RETAIL LEAKAGE

Sugar Grove lacks retail which burdens homeowners as the majority taxpayers and requires them to leave the area for restaurants, entertainment, and shopping.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Infrastructure capacity must continue to be a central consideration of development decisions.

ELEMENTS OF IMPLEMENTATION

1. TRANSPORTATION PLAN

- Proposed Path Map
- Proposed Transportation Map
- Proposed Transit Map
- Proposed Complete Streets

2. FUTURE LAND USE PLAN

- Complete Neighborhood Concept
- Proposed Parks Map
- Future Land Use Map

3. ACTION PLAN

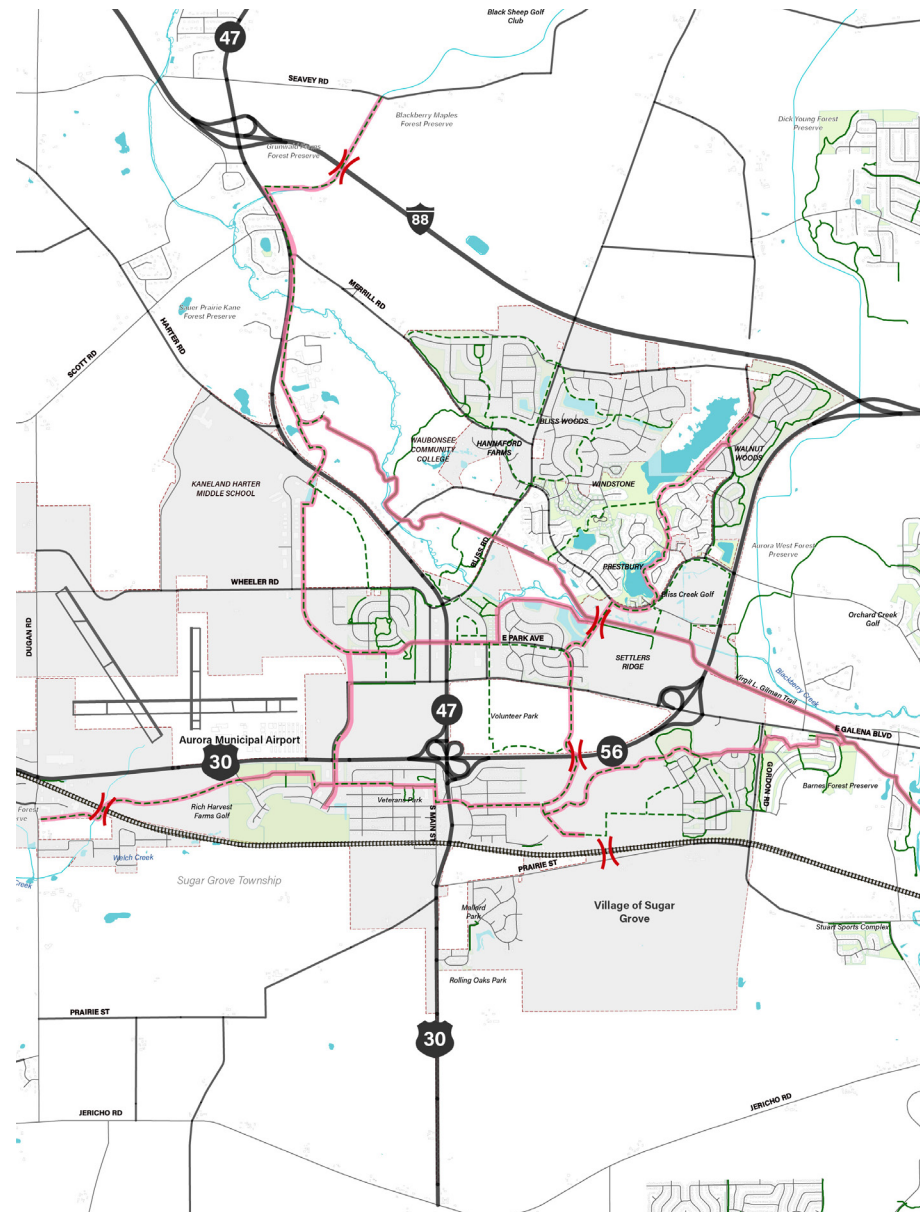
- Partnership and Funding Opportunities
- Action Items
- Zoning Recommendations



PROPOSED PATH MAP

KEY TAKEAWAYS:

- Paths proposed for interconnectivity throughout the city and with and adjacent areas
- Paths proposed to connect nature and park spaces
- Underpasses proposed for pedestrian and bicycle access under highways.



Legend

- Village Boundary
- Existing Interstate
- Existing Arterial
- Existing Collector
- Existing Local Road
- Existing Path
- Existing Railroad
- Hydrology
- Existing Parks
- Proposed Paths
- Priority Path
- Proposed Bridge/Underpass

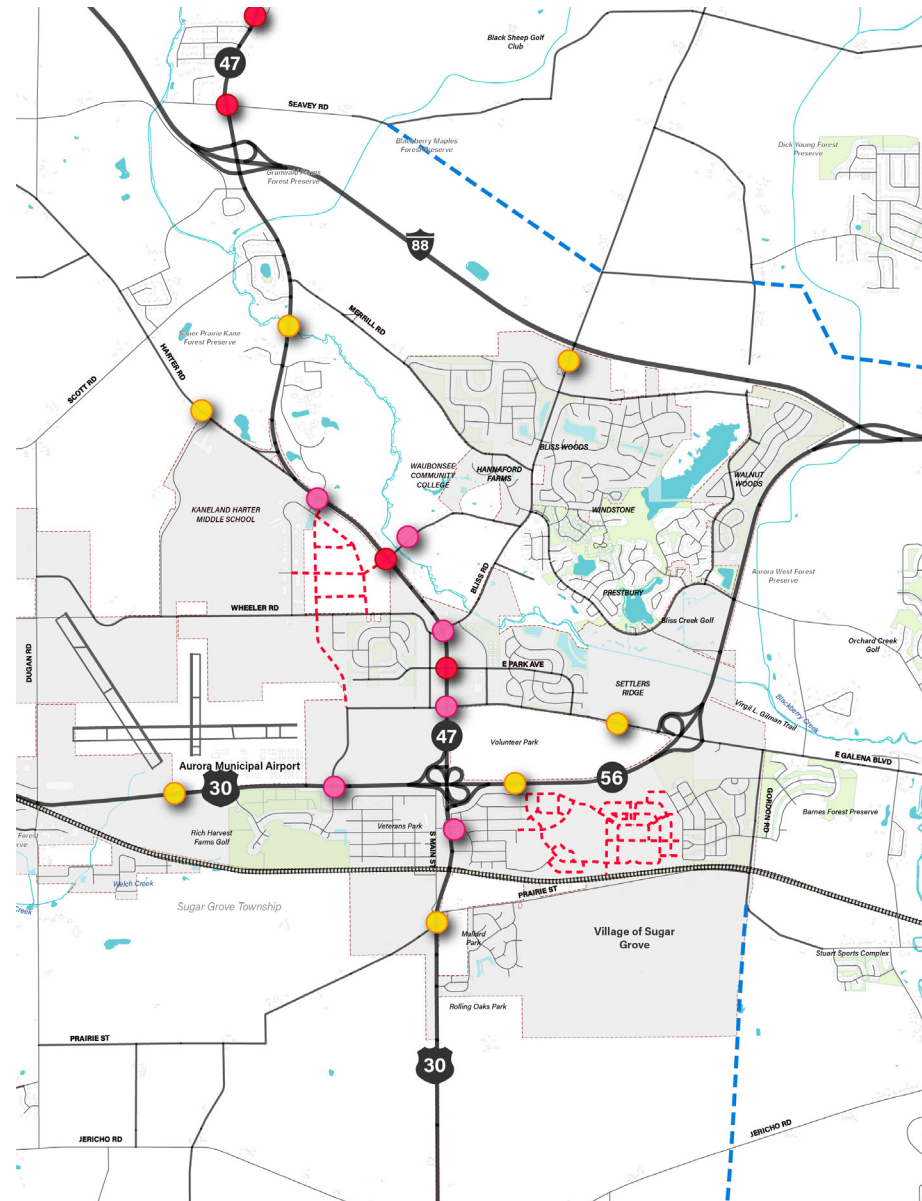
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PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION MAP

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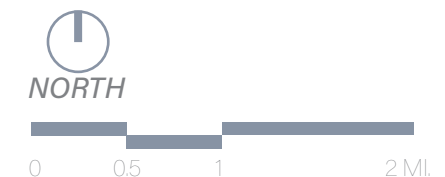
- Proposed traffic infrastructure reduces traffic conflicts and mitigates concerns identified throughout engagement
- Proposed roads ensures there is proper infrastructure and connectivity for any future developments



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- Existing Path
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- Hydrology
- Existing Parks
- Proposed Stoplight
- Proposed Gateway
- Add/Improve Crosswalks
- Proposed Alignments from Other Studies
- Proposed Local Roads

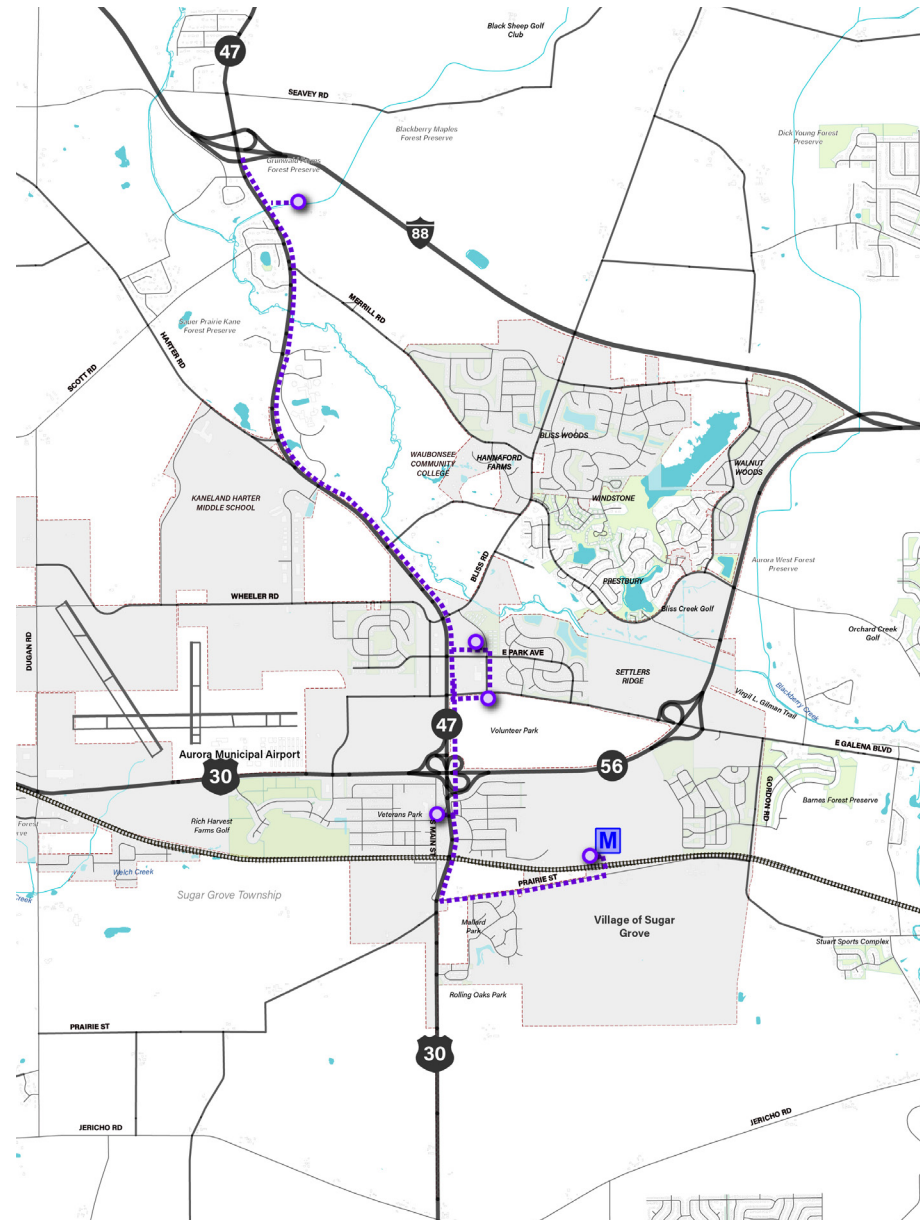
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PROPOSED TRANSIT MAP

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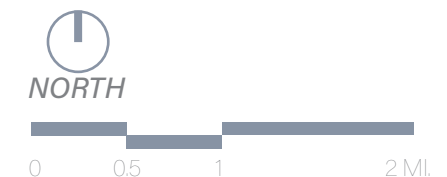
- Proposed transit routes, stops, and stations proactively prepare the village for Metra connections and advocate for future transit connectivity



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- Proposed Bus Route
- Proposed Bus Stops

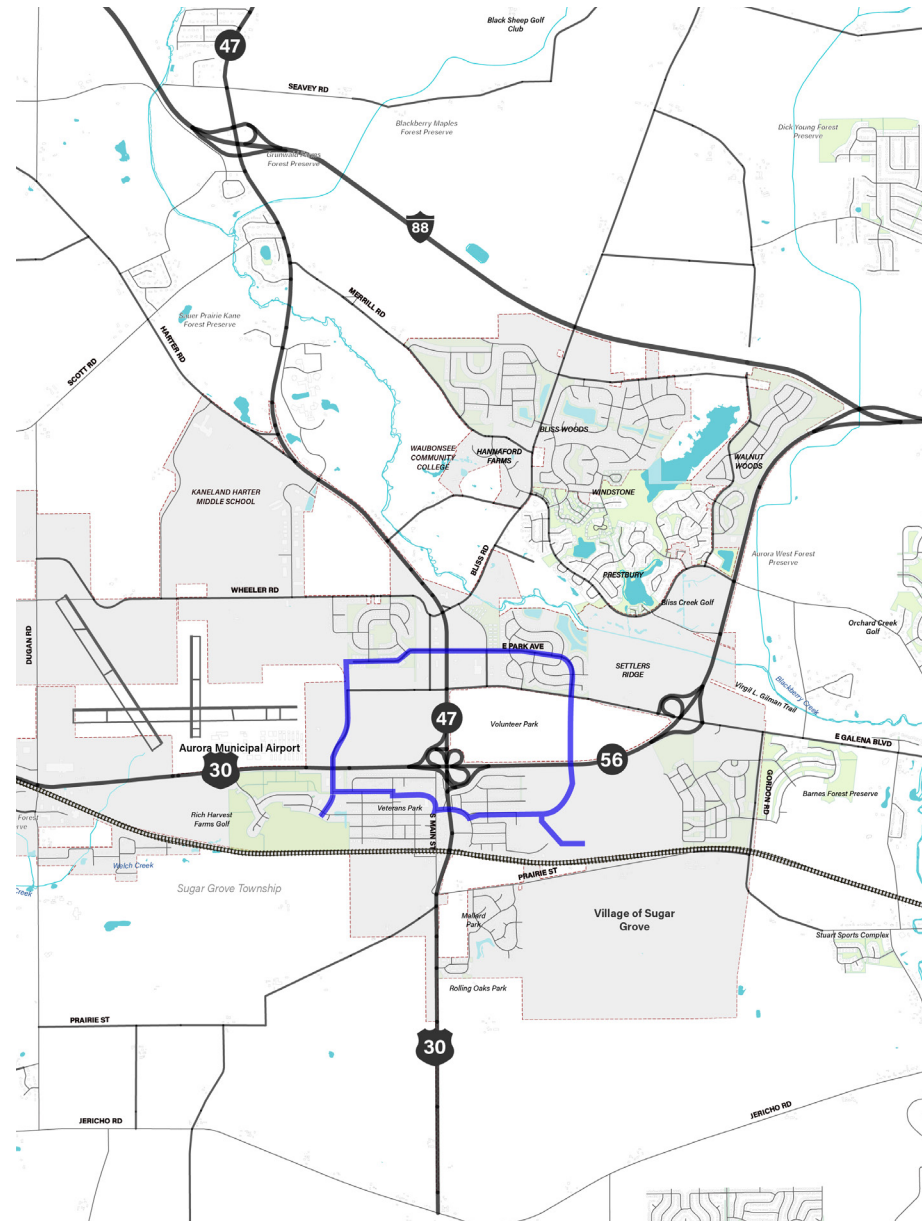
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PROPOSED COMPLETE STREETS

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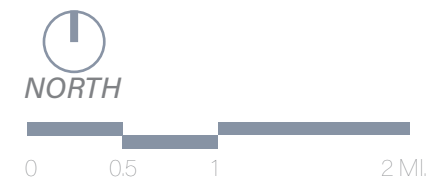
- Streets surrounding the core village area are proposed to be streets designed and operated to enable safe use and support mobility for all users.



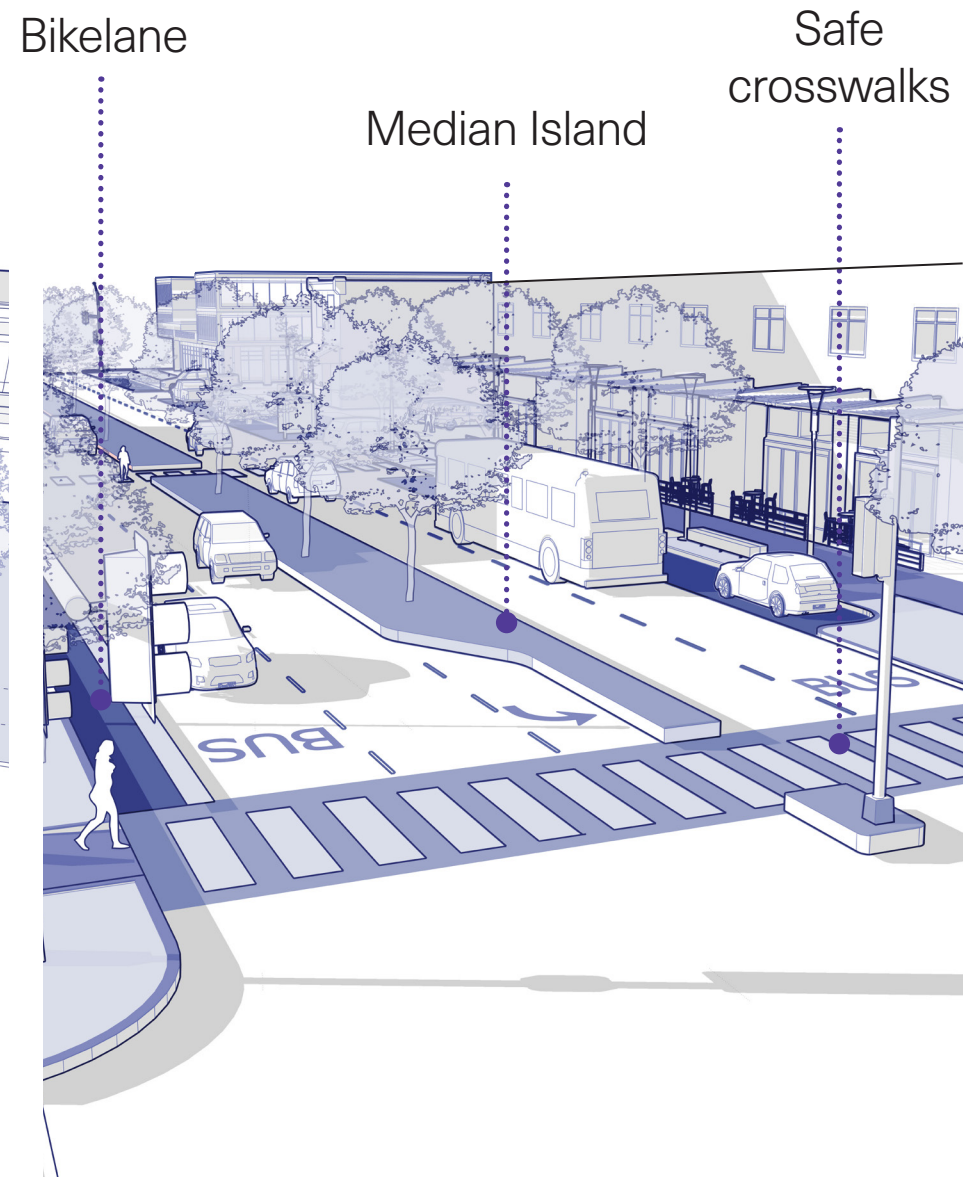
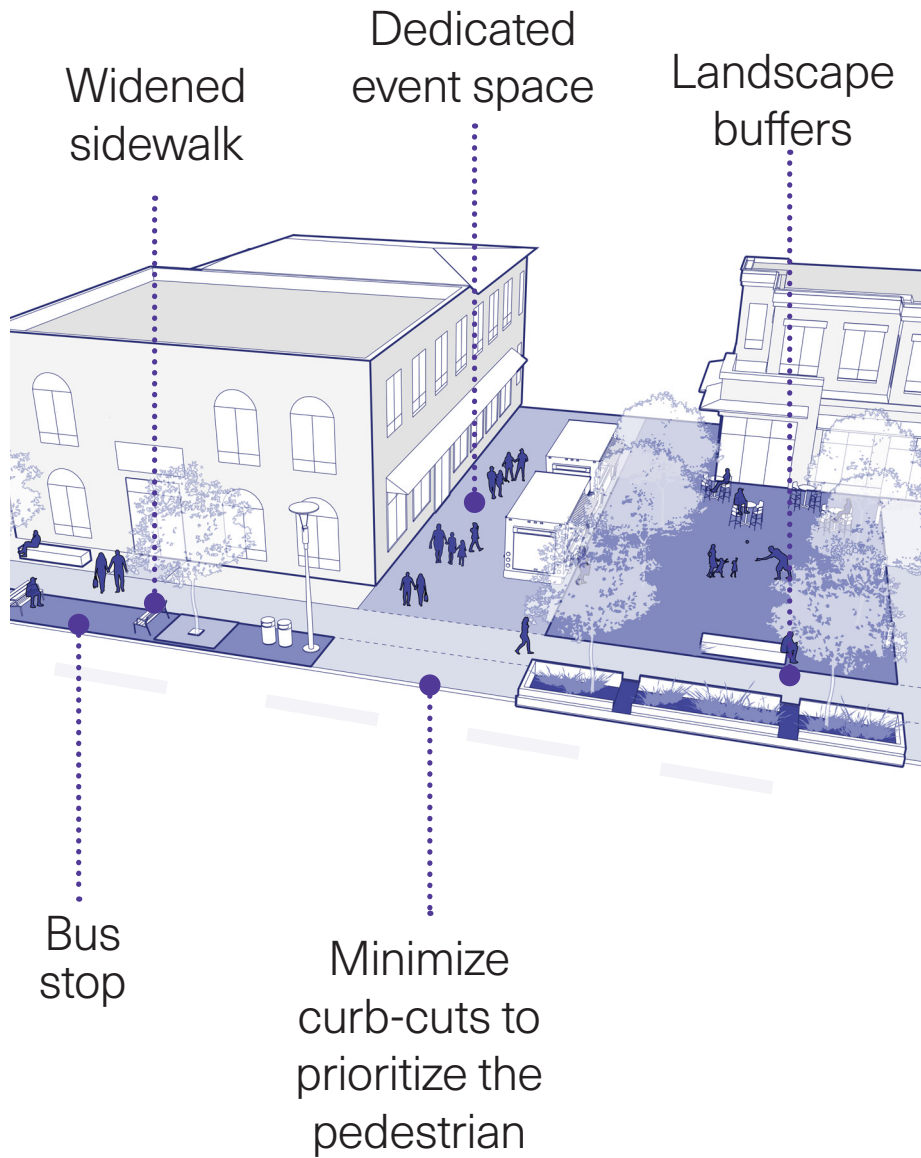
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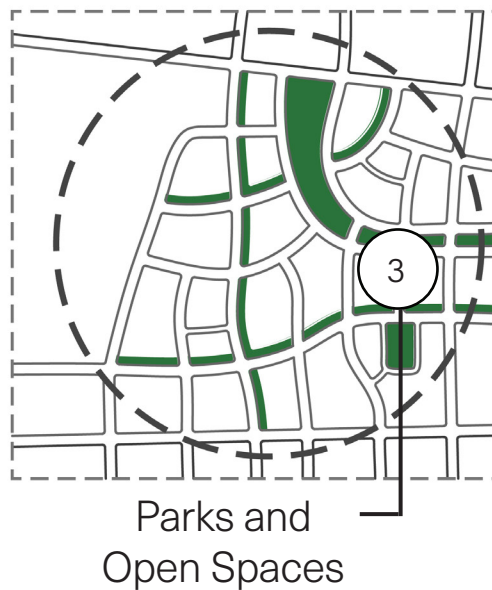
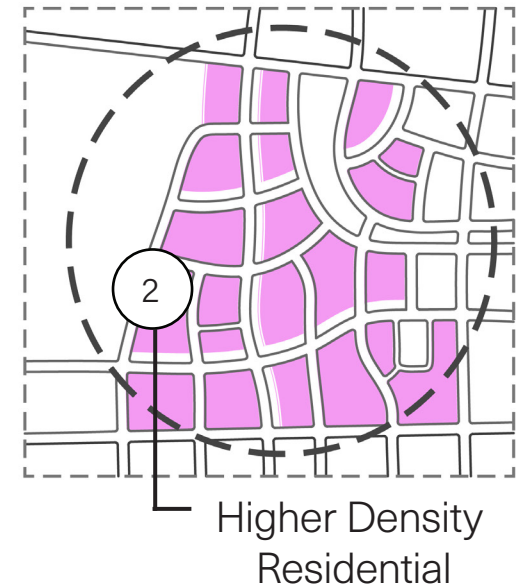
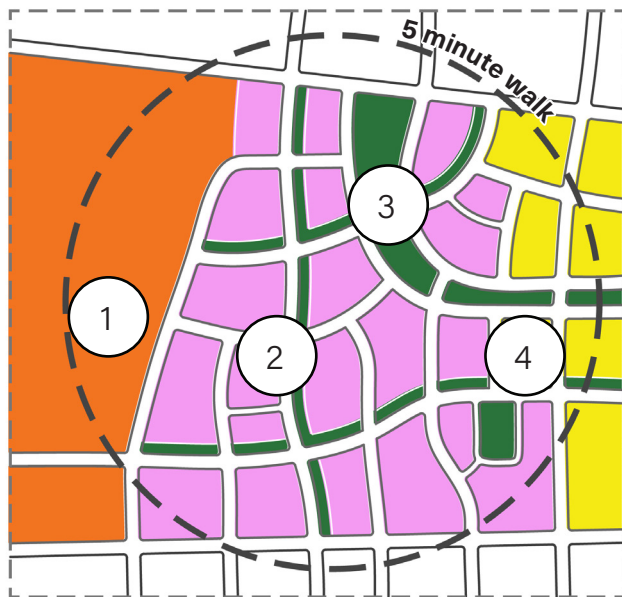


COMPLETE STREET PRIORITIES



COMPLETE NEIGHBORHOOD CONCEPT

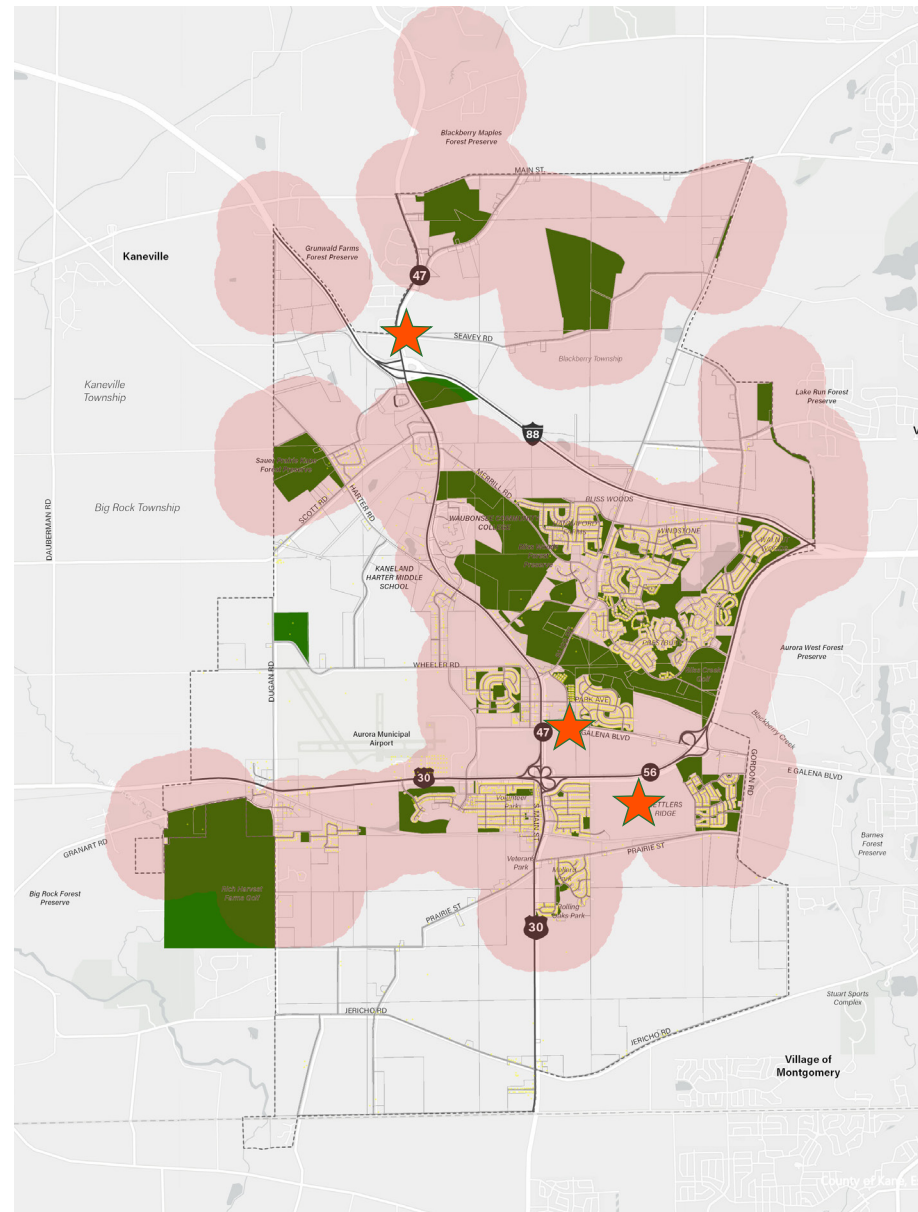
“Neighborhood scale development” defines a neighborhood where services, jobs, recreation, and community gathering spaces are easily accessible by residents.



PROPOSED NEW PARKS

KEY TAKEAWAYS:

- Locations for prioritizing new parks aim to increase village-wide park and open space supply to meet 10 acres of park space per 1,000 residents and ensure spatial equity.



Legend

- Planning Area Boundary
- Roadway - Arterial
- Roadway - Collector
- Roadway - Local
- ⚡ Railroad
- Parks and Open Space
- 15-Minute Buffer
- Residential Parcels
- ★ Locations to Prioritize New Parks

Source: Kane County, Design Workshop

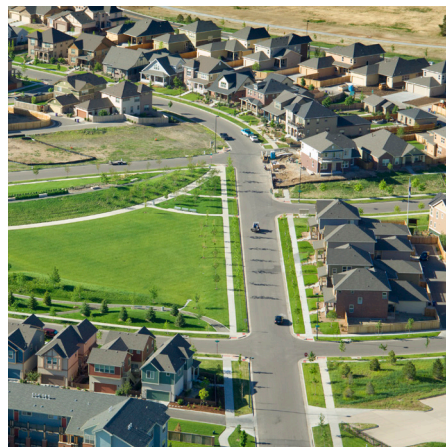
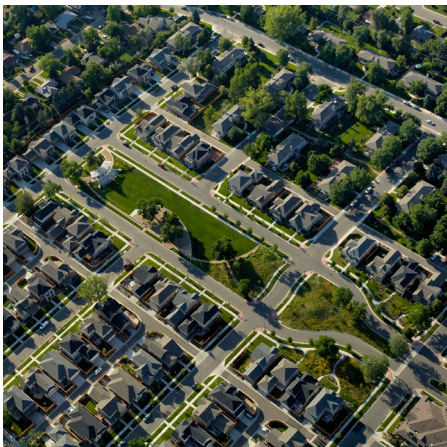


FUTURE LAND USE DEFINITIONS

RESIDENTIAL FLEX

Intended to support creative residential and neighborhood-serving commercial development. These areas are suitable for higher-density multi-family developments such as townhomes, condos, apartments, triplexes, senior residences, and other typologies that contribute to housing diversity.

EXAMPLE IMAGERY



FUTURE LAND USE DEFINITIONS

AGRICULTURE/UNDEVELOPED

Land that is either ecologically sensitive or in areas of the community that are constrained to development due to limitations on municipal infrastructure. Growth is unprioritized in these areas.



EXAMPLE IMAGERY



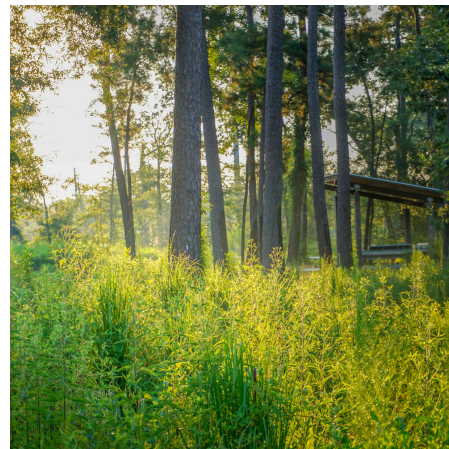
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GREEN NETWORK COMPONENTS

Include CMAP's conservation priorities which ranges in land types, such as wetlands, floodplains, forests, savannas, and prairies, provide crucial ecosystem services, habitat, and recreational amenities. Both local and regional green network components are identified in this overlay.



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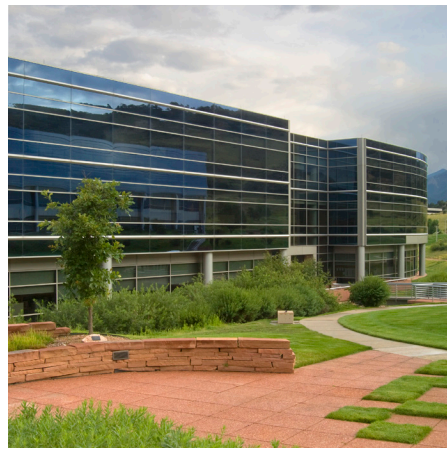
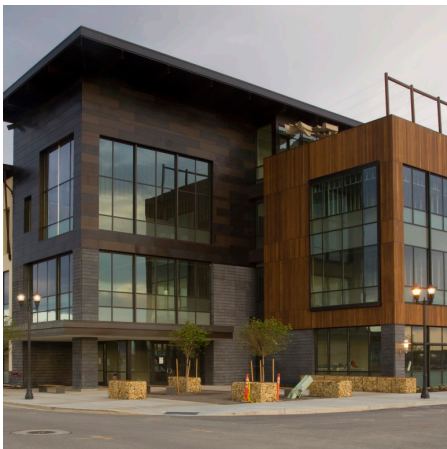
FUTURE LAND USE DEFINITIONS

BUSINESS PARK

Business Park areas prioritize expanding opportunity for economic development. Land uses may include campus, office, manufacturing, research, and businesses.



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VILLAGE CENTER

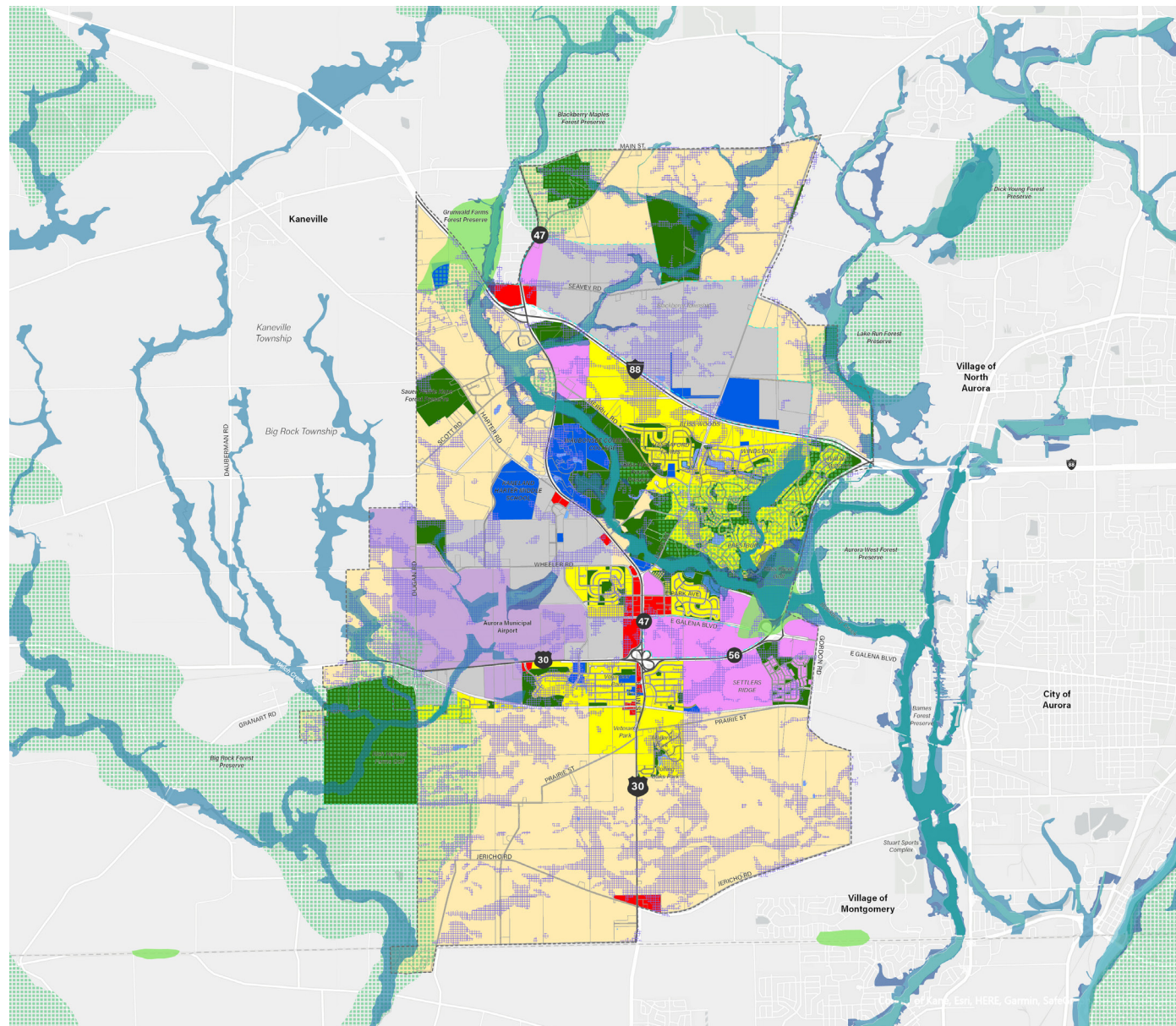
Village Center locations should:

- Be located towards the center of the village and in proximity to a highway,
- be surrounded by residential flex,
- have 6 - 10 acres of development capacity,
- encourage connectivity by all modes, and
- accommodate dense, mixed use development

EXAMPLE IMAGERY



FUTURE LAND USE MAP



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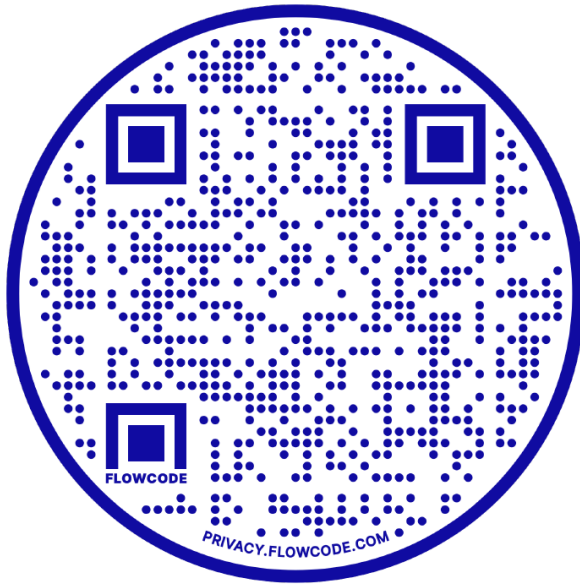
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- Business Park
- Airport
- Residential Flex
- Green Network Components***
- Oak Forest
- Wet Praries
- Hydrology
- 100-Year Flood
- 500-Year Flood
- Hydric Soils

*Green Network Components to provide ecosystem services: Water Flow Regulation/Flood Control, Water Purification, Ground water Recharge and Carbon Storage

See FLU definitions for further information including criteria for Village Center development.



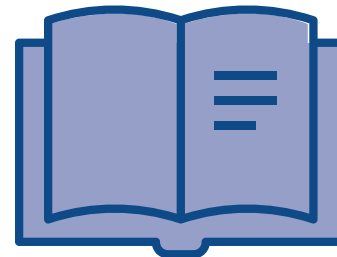
NEXT STEPS



Review plan on
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Community
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period



Revise
Comprehensive
Plan



Approval
meeting with
Village Officials

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**Provide comments via email to:
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2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: ACTION PLAN SUMMARY

THEME 1 - Provide mobility and ensure that all modes are safe and connected.

1.1	Improve intra-connectivity among Sugar Grove's destinations.
	Establish a trails master plan that identifies preferred routes, potential partners (Sugar Grove Park District, Kane County, Illinois Department of Natural Resources), benefits to landowners, trail standards, and dimensional criteria.
	Work with developers to implement trail connections through in-kind contributions or direct funding.
	Prioritize planning and design of the "priority paths" which connect neighborhoods, commercial areas, recreational assets, the Virgil Gilman Trail, and existing forest preserves.
	Implement a rapid flashing beacon where the Virgil Gilman Trail crosses Kadeka Road.
	Work with Illinois DOT to identify safety enhancements where priority paths cross Routes 30, 47 and 56. This includes grade-separated crossings. Underpasses with good sight lines and shallow slopes are preferred.
	"Request traffic signals from Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) at: - Route 47 and Park Avenue - Route 47 and Kedeka Road - Route 47 and Seavey Road - Route 47 and Green Road "
	Continue to develop and implement the Safe Routes to School program. Partner with local school districts and other educational institutions to provide Safe Routes to School maps updated annually and made easily accessible to residents.
	Continue to implement the established Village gateway signage at designated locations (see Figure 8) to signify the arrival into the community, strengthen a cohesive Village brand as well as encourage appropriate vehicular speeds.
1.2	Identify near-term priorities to improve safety, access and connectivity.
	Adopt a complete streets ordinance that specifies guidelines for multimodal corridors to ensure that people of all ages and abilities have safe, accessible routes for each mode of transportation one uses. Incorporate guidance from the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) and the U.S. Access Board.
	Prepare a Complete Streets Action Plan of continuous sidewalks, street crossings, traffic calming, safety and access management. Prioritize village-owned infrastructure. Include performance measures and implementation timetable for each item.
	Utilize demonstration and pilot projects to advance rapid implementation.
1.3	Focus transportation investments on locally owned assets.
	Focus transportation investments on village-owned and controlled facilities. By not depending on highways for local connectivity, the village can direct growth to local streets and paths, suppressing the need for wider roads.
	Educate community members about the safety benefits of smaller streets, the costs associated with widening highways, parking, induced driving, and induced distances.
	Work with IDOT and Kane County to implement access management principles along state and county routes.
	Require future developments to be centered around key locations such as the proposed village center, future transit stations, greenways, neighborhood centers, etc. and away from highways. This approach allows developments to function independently of the state highway facilities and therefore prioritizes complete streets.
	Update the zoning and subdivision codes to encourage connectivity between the sidewalk network as well as connectivity to adjacent developments.
	Discourage the future expansion of Routes 30, 47 and 56.
1.4	Advocate for future transit within the village.
	"Advocate for future transit with METRA and PACE, connecting the village to surrounding destinations. This includes: - train station at Settler's Ridge - commuter express bus - bus service along Route 47"
	As transit is established, provide high-quality infrastructure such as a signature train or bus station, winterized bus shelters, and safe routes to transit.

Action Item	Modify the zoning code to achieve the objectives under this theme. See pages 83-86.	Target funds to complete a Trails Master Plan.	Target funds to complete a Complete Streets Action Plan.	Draft a Complete Streets Ordinance.	Continue to develop the Safe Routes to School program to inform future sidewalk installation priorities	Submit a formal request to IDOT for new stop lights and new underpasses as recommended.	Maintain regular coordination with METRA and PACE related to future expansion of transit.
Objective	All	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4
Entity Responsible	Village of Sugar Grove Administrative Staff and Board	Village Administrative Staff	Village Administrative Staff	Village Administrative Staff	Village Administrative Staff	Village Administrative Staff	Village Administrative Staff
Partnerships	Private consultants	IDNR, Sugar Grove Park District	IDOT, CMAP Sugar Grove Park District	IDOT	IDOT, Kaneland Community Unit School District	IDOT	PACE, METRA, Kane County, IDOT
Timing	Near-term	Mid-term	Mid-term	Near-term	Mid-term	Long-term	Long-term

THEME 2 - Reinforce neighborhood scale development to ensure that residential areas are diverse, connected, and livable.

2.1	Create opportunities for "gentle density" within targeted areas of the village to reduce sprawl and leverage existing infrastructure.
	Transition the zoning ordinance to a form-based approach to regulate the scale and form of development, allow a mix of uses within neighborhoods, and provide units in proximity to residents' basic needs.
	Modify the zoning ordinance to allow greater flexibility of housing types within Sugar Grove's residential neighborhoods according to the Future Land Use Map.
	Allow accessory dwelling units (ADUs) by default in all residential neighborhoods. ADUs are small, secondary houses built behind, above, or attached to an existing home in a residential neighborhood. ADUs are not only a strategy for providing housing options in existing neighborhoods, but often allow for aging-in-place and host aging residents who desire semi-independent living. Target densities from 4 to 12 dwelling units per acre.
	Evaluate existing zoning and parking regulations to understand if it is unnecessarily limiting growth opportunities. Organic growth is the most sustainable as it allows property owners to maximize the value of their land and spreads benefits across the community.
2.2	Reinforce Sugar Grove's small town identity.
	Embrace and highlight the village's recreational amenities and "small town character".
	Tap into the growing tourist and outdoor recreation market by launching a marketing campaign focused on promoting existing and future tourist-related destinations.
	Continue to promote community events, such as the Corn Boil, Food Truck Friday, and Holiday in the Grove, to surrounding communities.
	Prioritize locating future active/public-facing development, such as retail, civic uses, residential, and office uses, at the "core" of the village.
	Establish a growth boundary agreement with the Village of Elburn.
2.3	Actively seek greater diversification of housing options.
	Identify gaps in the village's housing market and utilize benchmarks to measure progress as it works to further expand housing choice and access locally.
	Proactively work with real estate developers to encourage residential development that provides housing diversity (types, styles and price points) through funding mechanisms, programs or incentives.
	Allow live/work housing products, including home offices, by default in residential zones.

Action Item	Modify the zoning ordinance to reflect the priority growth areas, development types, and housing diversity and density objectives as outlined. See pages 83-86.	Initiate a study to guide the application of a form-based code application in Sugar Grove.	Launch a marketing campaign.	Coordinate with the Village of Elburn vis-à-vis a growth boundary.	Establish housing diversity benchmarks based on existing housing stock makeup and anticipated housing needs to identify a range of residential development densities, tenures, values, and styles
Objective	All	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.3
Entity Responsible	Village of Sugar Grove Administrative Staff and Board	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development	Village of Sugar Grove Economic Development	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development
Partnerships	Private planning/zoning consultants	Private planning/zoning consultants	Private branding and digital consultants	Village of Elburn	CMAP, Kane County, developers, property owners
Timing	Near-term	Long-term	Near-term	Mid-term	Mid-term

THEME 3 - Create destinations for community gathering and entertainment.

3.1	Continue to build capacity in and along the Main Street district.
	Review and consider tested strategies for small town and suburban commercial growth. Review the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission's Report, Revitalizing Suburban Downtown Retail Districts: Strategies and Best Practices to identify and implement relevant practices in partnership with developers and business owners. Elements to consider include how an area is managed, building aesthetics, walkability and mobility options, parking options, sense of place, and event programming.
	Invest in the redesign of Main Street to improve branding, safety, and overall experience.
3.2	Establish a village center.
	Identify locations for a village center and work with landowners to develop a land sale and/or development strategy. Identify preferred locations for a six to 10-acre village center and lead the community through a visioning process as a starting point to recruit developers. Provide necessary infrastructure connections and/or upgrades up front as an incentive. Work with developers to implement a form-based approach comprised of 1-2 story developments that includes a mixture of shopping, dining, entertainment, office and higher density residential.
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	Investigate the market potential for destination retail and experiential uses, such as restaurants, a local brewery or distillery, to serve as an anchor for economic development. Encourage integration of restaurants into larger commercial development proposals.
	Within an identified village center location, work with developers to establish an outdoor event space to host community events and celebrations. Develop a program for the event space with consideration of a bandshell, outdoor seating, fire or water elements, small game courts, arranged to provide maximum flexibility.
	Prioritize the creation of open spaces and public facilities that implement inclusive design principles including accessible parks and public spaces, paths with minimal inclines, parks with seating and shading, within the village center.
	Establish community standards for streetscape development and design, focusing on pedestrian-scale installations and improvements, such as maximum setbacks, ground floor activation, and façade breaks to provide interest and comfort to pedestrians and create a distinctive character in an identified village center.

Action Item	Modify the zoning code to achieve the above objectives of prioritizing development in key locations for community gathering. See pages 83-86.	Add Main Street streetscape enhancement to the Capital Improvement Program and identify a funding source.	Continue to have open dialogue with property owners in locations determined suitable for village centers to determine interest in land sale or development.	Establish urban design standards for village center development to guide property owners and developers prior to visioning and conceptual design.
Objective	All	3.2	3.1	3.2
Entity Responsible	Village of Sugar Grove Administrative Staff and Board	Village Administrative Staff	Village of Sugar Grove Economic Development	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development
Partnerships	Private planning/zoning consultants	Main Street America, CMAP	Property owners, realstate developers, HOAs	Private Consultant, CMAP, Main Street America
Timing	Near-term	Mid-term	Ongoing	Near-term

THEME 4 - Ensure a resilient economy.

4.1	Enhance the local business climate.
	Host engagement opportunities with the business community to identify their challenges, either for existing businesses, or related to opening a new business.
	Partner with the Air Classics Museum to grow visitation by enhancing its brand, marketing, facilities, and regional exposure and to better promote it as a unique destination.
	Engage with business leaders to address their specific needs, to assist with the expansion and retention of existing businesses, and ensure they have access to support from Enterprise Funds and village funded grants.
	Encourage the development of co-working models within the village that offers work-from-home residents an office experience close to home.
4.2	Encourage local entrepreneurship.
	Explore the creation of incentives and funding mechanisms, such as small business loans, business incubators, or special service districts, to attract development and target specific businesses that are most desired by residents.
	Improve local development incentives to fuel economic development. Explore both financial and non-financial incentives such as a streamlined and/or discounted development review process, partnering with prospective businesses by providing work placement or hiring assistance, or offering tax rebates. See Improving Local Development Incentives: Effective Practices for Local Governments in Northeastern Illinois and See How State and Local Governments Win at Attracting Companies.
	Identify gaps in Sugar Grove's high-speed broadband network, particularly in industrial and commercial areas, and invest in its implementation within key growth areas to attract technology innovators, new businesses, and a greater local workforce.
	Cultivate partnerships between existing workforce development programs at the county level, business communities, local school districts, and community colleges to provide youth with local career tracks and viable opportunities for long-term, sustainable career options, and prosperity in Sugar Grove.
	Review the strategies and action plan established by Rutherford Works in Murfreesboro, TN as a precedent after identifying targeted industries. Such strategies include actively marketing the region in collaboration with local and regional partners, advocate for highly skilled employees through deliberate early education, and identifying vacant buildings and suitable building sites.
	Review resources, programs, and funding offered by Main Street America. Strengthen the relationship between placemaking, food commerce/production, and the local food system in Sugar Grove. Consider partnering with an experienced non-profit or private operator to plan for and develop an incubation space or commercial kitchen to support small business development and explore opportunities for the development and programming of temporary/pop-up or incubation retail venues to enable businesses to try out retail format and attract foot-traffic.
	Partner with Waubensee Community College to offer small business workshops to encourage homegrown businesses in Sugar Grove. Actively Connect businesses to the Small Business Administration and USDA loan programs for small businesses.
4.3	Leverage existing assets for economic development.
	Proactively develop a strategy to identify catalyst sites and ensure parcels are development ready by identifying infrastructure connection points, size upgrades and necessary extensions and providing this infrastructure as an incentive.
	Develop a marketing/branding strategy for the village that identifies elements including, but not limited to, geography, schools, neighborhoods, and demographics, to help sell Sugar Grove to prospective developers, residents, and businesses.
	Leverage Sugar Grove's interstate highway visibility and access.
	Ensure negative impacts, such as increased traffic, noise, pollution, and odor, are minimized within the development review process.
	Partner with property owners to conduct a master planning process for sites around the Route 47 – Interstate 88 interchange that is driven by community engagement and establishes a vision and the supporting design guidelines and zoning updates that realize that vision.
	Incentivize hotel development within Sugar Grove to increase tourism and visitation and capture more spending from regional visitors leveraging nearby shopping, recreation and sports programming such as the Stuart Sports Complex. Leverage the fact that sports related travel is the primary generator of overnight stays in the region and initial market research indicates an overall shortage of hotel beds within the region to support this. Coordinate efforts and information with the Aurora Area Sports Commission. Hotel development can also support the conference facilities at Waubensee Community College.
	Leverage the airport to attract future commercial and industrial operators. Evaluate the opportunities for development such as an Airport Commerce Park or Business Park.
	Review and implement applicable recommendations from Federal Aviation Administration Resources including Compatible Land Use Resources webpage and Land Use Compatibility and Airports, a Guide for Effective Land Use Planning. Recommendations include ensuring surrounding development is compatible with various noise levels through a Part 150 study and determining the applicability of Illinois' Department of Transportation's Annual Proposed Improvement Program (AIP) for development funding and planning aid.

4.4	Minimize negative impacts from industrial-type development.
	Concentrate light industrial, warehouse, data center, distribution, and other related uses in specified areas (see Future Land Use Map) and discourage the development of these uses outside the identified areas to reduce conflicts with traffic, noise, pollution, and odor. Avoid designating industrial related uses within the village center or ecologically significant areas.
	Establish design standards and guidelines for sustainable industrial and business park development. Such guidelines must require developers, industrial park operators, planners, or anyone involved in the establishment to consider the development's impact on surrounding areas, the internal and external financial affects, environmental consequences, roadway safety and social requirements.

Action Item	Modify the zoning code to achieve the above objectives of mitigating negative impacts from industrial-type development and encouraging unique economic development. See pages 83-86.	Develop guidelines for sustainable industrial and business park development and incorporate these into the development review process.	Continue to identify areas for special investment zones such as public improvement districts (PID) and business improvement districts (BID).	Develop a Commercial Façade Improvement Program to encourage and assist property owners and tenants to improve their building's aesthetics through financial incentives such as matching grants and loans, tax abatements, and design assistance.	Conduct a market study to determine the demand and growth in specific industries and identify potential catalytic sites for development.	Continue to review, inventory, and assess developed and undeveloped land within Sugar Grove to anticipate the potential infrastructure needs that could support economic development, such as water and broadband, for those properties.	Incorporate smart technology in the zoning code such as Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations and smart meters for new and repurposed buildings.
Objective	All	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.1
Entity Responsible	Village of Sugar Grove Staff and Board	Village of Sugar Grove Economic Development	Village of Sugar Grove Economic Development	Commercial Property Enhancement Program	Village of Sugar Grove Economic Development	Village of Sugar Grove Economic Development	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development
Partnerships	Private planning/zoning consultants	Private consultants, Kane County Development Department	CMAP, Sugar Grove EDC	CMAP	Private Consultant	Private Site Database Provider (Ex: CoStar)	Private Consultant
Timing	Near-term	Mid-term	Ongoing	Long-term	Mid-term	Near-term	Near-term

THEME 5 - Protect the community's highly valued natural resources.

5.1	Continue efforts to preserve ecologically sensitive areas.
	Formalize the "green network" within Sugar Grove as depicted on the Future Land Use Map as a development review metric to preserve wetlands, oak forests, hydric soils, and flood areas.
	Work with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Kane-DuPage Soil and Water Conservation District, Kane County Water Resources, Kane County Forest Preserve and the Sugar Grove Park District to execute a joint study to determine and coordinate funding sources, partnerships, priority lands for acquisition, and management structure of future facilities and amenities within the "green network" designated in the Future Land Use Map.
	Continue to partner with Kane County Forest Preserve to improve connectivity to and expansion of existing forest preserves. Target future acquisition priorities, coordinated with the KCFPD Five Year Plan, and focused on lands within the green network that are immediately adjacent to existing conserved lands.
	Seek the sale of property and dedication of conservation easements on private lands that are identified as critical, a target for preservation, or necessary to link wildlife corridors.
	Implement the recommendations of the Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan (2011).
	Utilize conservation and cluster design in areas with sensitive ecological attributes including wetlands, oak woodlands, drainage and floodways and other factors within CMAP's local and regional conservation priorities map.
5.2	Increase tree canopy within the village.
	Establish goals and metrics for preserving and increasing tree density in developed and undeveloped areas throughout Sugar Grove.
	Continue active participation in the Tree City USA program by enforcing its community tree ordinance and working with the tree board to seek opportunities to expand the tree canopy within Sugar Grove.
	Fortify the Village of Sugar Grove's tree preservation ordinance and enforcement by requiring all greenfield developments to preserve or enhance existing tree counts/coverage on-site.
	Adopt best practices for a tree planting program, such as "Adopt A Tree" or Morton Grove's "50/50 program" (reference Morton Grove's Tree Planting Program), to assist property and business owners in increasing and replacing trees, while identifying and reducing heat island hot spots.
5.3	Establish new parks.
	Increase village-wide park and open space supply to meet the recommended per-capita capacity standard of 10 acres of park space per 1,000 residents and ensure spatial equity by planning new parks within new residential growth areas (see Figure 19).
	Work with the Sugar Grove Park District (SGPD) to implement the priorities of their Park District Comprehensive Master Plan.
	Work with the Kane County Health Department to support the Community Health Improvement Plan Priorities achievable through the expansion of parks within the village.
	Identify existing and near-term gaps in amenities, services, and programs and explore potential partnerships with adjacent communities and organizations for shared-use agreements. Focus should be on existing residential areas that are underserved or experiencing issues with access to existing facilities. Address any impediments to access such as physical barriers like unsafe highway crossings, inconsistent sidewalks or trail infrastructure, and poor connectivity between neighborhoods. Engage with the SGPD master planning effort to align the comprehensive plan vision with the master plan.
5.4	Utilize the development review process to protect water resources.
	The Village of Sugar Grove's Community Development department should work closely with the Public Works department to integrate water resource and assessment management goals into development decisions and building standards.
	Village Community Development and Public Works should work together to create water conservation standards based on the village's utility-scale demand forecast that can be used to assess new development or redevelopment proposals.
	Consider locations of aquifer recharge areas in development review decisions, in addition to consideration of protecting the identified green network as outlined in the Future Land Use Map.
	Include a water supply or water utility expert in the development review process conducted by the Village Community Development and Public Works Departments, starting with pre-application meetings and continuing through proposal review and final approval.
5.5	Continue to implement Sugar Grove's Source Water Protection Plan's objectives.

	The village should incorporate updated groundwater withdrawal and hydrogeologic information outlined in the water source protection plan to make any necessary updates to the source water protection areas. The village should also ensure that future land use is taken into consideration when updating the 5-year capture zones.
	Update the Groundwater Protection Ordinance based on any changes made to the source water protection areas.
	Consider a groundwater protection overlay district that can help provide water quality protection from contamination over a broader area.
	Encourage residents to use water efficient and climate-appropriate landscaping standards and maintenance practices through updates to the development ordinance.
5.6	Reflect water conservation priorities within the village's development regulations.
	Support native and drought tolerant landscaping within the zoning and subdivision regulations. Adopt the Morton Arboretum Northern Illinois Tree Species as an approved tree list.
	Support the application of pervious surfaces to minimize impermeable surfaces within new development to increase stormwater infiltration.
	Develop a plan to incorporate green infrastructure policies within the development regulations. Align green infrastructure policies and actions with the Kane County 2040 Green Infrastructure Plan. Develop a set of incentives or funding mechanisms to encourage developers to incorporate green infrastructure.
	Require the use of U.S. EPA WaterSense fixtures in new residential developments.
	Establish an impervious surface requirement to limit turf coverage and total imperviousness, as well as require water-efficient irrigation systems to improve local stormwater management and promote water conservation.
5.7	Engage property owners in water conservation.
	Make future land use decisions that align with the capacity of the village's water supply and distribution system.
	Continue to participate in the Sugar Grove Water Authority Illinois State Water Survey (ISWS) groundwater monitoring network.
	Conduct annual water loss audits using the AWWA/International Water Association's (IWA) water loss auditing method, to help identify areas within the system for targeted leak detection and repair and maintain a well-functioning water utility system and conserve water.
	Consider conducting regularly cost-of-service water rate studies to ensure local water rates promote conservation, customer affordability, and financial security for the utility.
	Plan for water efficient land use decisions to reduce costs of capacity expansion. Prioritize new development in areas that have the existing capacity for water, sewer, and energy infrastructure in place, followed by areas that must be served by new infrastructure.
	<p>"Promote water conservation and protection of existing water resources through education, and incentive programs through the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Post educational materials on the Village of Sugar Grove website and use seasonal billing inserts to inform residents and businesses about the importance of outdoor water conservation and regulations within the municipal code. - Encourage residents to perform indoor water audits, understand water metering, and detect potential leaks. - Make leak-detection tablets available to water customers upon request. - Share resources such as the U.S. EPA's WaterSense outdoor program and a variety of region-specific brochures focused on low-impact lawn care and outdoor water conservation. - Partner with the Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant's (IISG) Lawn to Lake (L2L) program to promote sustainable lawn maintenance practices for residential landowners. - Provide rebates to households that replace older water fixtures with more efficient ones. - Provide free pickup and disposal services for replaced water fixtures and appliances. - Provide rebates to households that introduce rain barrels for outdoor watering needs. - Provide rebates to households that replace lawns with low irrigation plantings such as xeriscapes and native planting. - Consider providing free or reduced-price efficient showerheads and faucet aerators and community events. "
5.8	Collaborate with agriculture landowners to improve the ecological service provided by these lands.
	Coordinate with Kane County to maintain the viability of agriculture within the planning area per recommendations within the Kane County 2030 Land Resource Management Plan. Encourage preservation of farmland of statewide importance.
	Support the Kane-DuPage Soil and Water Conservation District efforts to promote sustainable land management practices that conserve soils and protect water resources.
	Encourage farmers to adopt integrated pest management strategies, crop rotation practices, precision farming, and animal grazing management practices to minimize the use of fertilizer, herbicides, and insecticides and reduce nutrient stormwater runoff.
	Explore and promote programs from the Illinois Department of Agriculture and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to support agricultural landowners including the Conservation Practices Program (CPP) and the Streambank Stabilization and Restoration Program (SSRP).

5.9	Ensure sustainable practices are incorporated in the Public Works practices.
	Village's Department of Public Works winter weather response activities. Ensure proper storage and covering of salt and salt supplies. Calibrate salting equipment to minimize salt from being dispersed outside of the roadway. Apply sustainable de-icing techniques such as brine application prior to ice conditions and pre-wetting salt.
	Explore becoming involved in the Salt Smart Collaborative, which promotes sensible salting and road safety by sharing information on best practices, organizing de-icing workshops, and creating outreach materials for residents, public agencies, and private snow removal companies. Engage larger businesses and campuses in partnership with Salt Smart Collaborative to teach them how to use local application rate tables and determine the most effective de-icing technique for their property. Promote opportunities for local businesses and homeowners' associations to get involved in the Collaborative.
	Assess snow removal and road clearing management policies to reduce the impact of Public Works practices on stormwater runoff. For example, avoid dumping snow into any waterbodies, ensure that snow piles are away from sensitive areas, such as streams and ponds, and ensure that plows are not piling snow over city drains.

Action Item	Modify the zoning code to achieve the above objectives of mitigating impacts to the natural environment and enhancing the green network. See pages 83-86.	Engage partners in a joint study to determine and coordinate funding sources, partnerships, priority lands for acquisition and management structure of lands within the "green network."	Modify development standards to reflect goals for preserving and increasing tree density.	Partner with the Park District to conduct a gap analysis in park level-of-service to identify near-term gaps in amenities, services, and programs.	Update development regulations to provide clear targets for green infrastructure and pervious surfaces.	Coordinate to implement the walkway and path network envisioned in Theme 1.
Objective	All	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.9	5.3
Entity Responsible	Village of Sugar Grove Staff and Board	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development	Sugar Grove Administrative Staff	Sugar Grove Administrative Staff	Sugar Grove Administrative Staff
Partnerships	Private planning/zoning consultants	Village of Sugar Grove Parks District, Illinois EPA, Kane Co Soil and Water Conservation District, Kane County Forest Preserve	idnr, Village of Sugar Grove Public Works	Village of Sugar Grove Parks District	Sugar Grove Planning Department	Village of Sugar Grove Parks District, Kane County Forest Preserve, adjacent communities
Timing	Near-term	Mid-term	Near-term	Mid-term	Near-term	Mid-term

THEME 6 - Create more opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities to prosper in the community.

6.1	Continually evaluate the needs and performance of community facilities.
	Continue to monitor the condition of municipal buildings, facilities and equipment to identify necessary upgrades, renovations, and long-term maintenance priorities. Focus near-term efforts on the expansion of the current police facility.
	Host regular meetings with all public service providers that serve the village residents and businesses with the goal of open communication and cooperation. As part of this communication, work with emergency response providers to identify potential impacts to their ability to serve the community adequately.
	Continue to support and advocate for a future school site designated within the Settler's Ridge development.
	Continue to support the Sugar Grove Library and its efforts to serve the community.
6.2	Increase community trust in local government.
	Provide a platform for community members to be seen, heard, and informed.
	Ensure that public resources are being allocated in an equitable manner.
	Establish standards for equity, implicit bias, and diversity training for all Village of Sugar Grove staff and employees including police and service providers.
	Consider developing a Public Information Request portal on the city's website to strengthen the public information request process and encourage community members to feel comfortable sharing feedback and opinions with decision makers.
6.3	Strive to apply equitable built environment principles.
	Provide housing options focused on meeting the needs of the community's youngest and oldest populations (see Theme 2).
	Provide enhanced mobility options for those seeking alternative modes of transportation and those with mobility challenges
	Apply public realm design that is universally accessible.
	Establish goals and guidelines for housing development that includes units specifically designed to be accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Action Item	<p>Modify the zoning code to achieve the above objective of reflecting an equitable built environment. See pages 83-86.</p> <p>Research options/vendors for a community engagement platform embedded into the village website.</p> <p>Identify grant programs at the county, state, and federal levels to support community building efforts that are realistic targets for Sugar Grove. Catalogue all grant requirements to help decision makers prioritize necessary actions, planning, investments, and grant writing.</p>		
Objective	All	6.2	6.1
Entity Responsible	Village of Sugar Grove Staff and Board	Village of Sugar Grove Administration	Village of Sugar Grove Community Development
Partnerships	Private planning/zoning consultants	Private vendor	CMAP, Kane County Planning
Timing	Near-term	Near-term	Ongoing