

Meeting Summary

Amarillo City Plan – Vision 2045 **City Plan Community Workshop** Vision, Values and Goals Date: 03/07/2023 Time: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM and 6:00 - 8:00 PM Location: Downtown Library (413 SE 4th) and Northwest Library (6100 W 9th)

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i. **Overview:**

The purpose of Community Workshop #1 was to provide an overview of the types of engagement that will be included in City Plan; discuss the Role of City Plan; and have an open discussion at stations around the room about the Existing Conditions Report and its analysis on the following plan elements: History of Amarillo, Growth Management & Capacity, Land Use & Community Character, Housing & Neighborhoods, Parks & Cultural Resources, and Community Mobility & Infrastructure.

The workshop began with a presentation from the MIG team and was followed by an open house format meeting where attendees used a passport activity to guide them through stations for each plan element. Each station included one board that



provided an overview of the plan element and the existing conditions analysis and a second board where attendees could provide feedback on the various questions below. There was at least one project team member at each station to assist attendees by addressing any questions and collecting their feedback.

- What is City Plan? Station:
 - What is your 2045 Vision for Amarillo?
- Brief History of Amarillo Station:
 - What makes Amarillo Amarillo?
 - What do we love about our history and culture and how can we make sure those things are still a part of our city 10 to 20 years from now?
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 - How do we better leverage Route 66? Growth Management & Capacity Station:
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 - What types of industries and/or jobs represent the best opportunities to grow and diversify Amarillo's economy?
 - What tools and strategies can best help take advantage of those opportunities?
- Land Use & Community Character Station:
 - Infill development, or building in areas that are already developed rather than building in new, undeveloped areas, has been identified by multiple plans and strategies over the years. We continue to see most



new construction in Southwest Amarillo and little progress with infill. What policies and programs are needed to make this type of development easier?

- Housing & Neighborhoods Station:
 - What is YOUR vision for the older neighborhoods in the central parts of Amarillo?
 - How can they be improved or even reimagined?
- Parks & Cultural Resources Station:
 - Parks funding is currently inadequate to cover the maintenance and improvement of existing parks, so how should the community plan for future parks in newly developed areas?
- Community Mobility & Infrastructure Station:
 - Several plans discuss making Amarillo more walkable, which means making it easier for people to walk, bike, or use public transportation instead of driving. But this might mean making driving a little less convenient in some areas. Would improving the walkability, bike, and transit travel in Amarillo be worth making driving less convenient?
 - What are the major transportation investments that are necessary to not just keep up with development, but to serve existing areas and guide and shape growth?

Below are the attendee responses to the station questions listed above:

What is City Plan?

What is your 2045 vision for Amarillo?

- Self-sufficiency & stability for Amarillo with respect to water, food, energy.
- A 500-seat theater of opera or other events.
- A real newspaper.
- Beautification projects throughout the whole city, not certain areas. Improving existing neighborhoods with amenities.
- Prioritizing biking/ped plans not on major roads. Increase & value community involve.
- I'd really like to see more options for non-automobile transportation sidewalks, bike paths, trails, etc.
- Community that feels supported, safe, trustworthy, a family.
- Civic pride as far as the eye can see. Where citizens understand the importance of growth by embracing it generations and the many cultures that make up this community a place for my kids and grandkids.
- Improvement and assets in north heights.
- Your missing 2 core pieces.
- More street lights.
- A city where 90% of people live above the poverty line and have access to home or business ownership.
- Exterior adults work out equipment at public parks.
- XFL football team at john stiff park building with 30,000 seats inside.
- Denser, more mixed-use more walkable. More robustly supported public resources. More equitable access to resources, amenities, and rights and dignity for people of all backgrounds, identities, and wealth levels.
- 500k people 2050-60



- Let the locals know about good water and what water treatment can be provided.
- A city that's not totally care, more walkable and safety bikeable.
- Recycling as part of a waste management plan.
- Build from our history.
- Civic center with a large enough venue to accommodate all panhandle.
- Incorporate senior services into the plan to include entertainment, facilities, etc.
- Independent energy. Fix our drainage issues.
- Implement action governance/adhesive at exception process.
- Growth in public amenities and activities such as parks libraries and ponds.
- A celebration of diversity and opportunity. I would hope it would honor the past and celebrate the future.
- Planned apt areas with green spaces for people and pets. Not sprawling further and further out.
- See you in 2045!
- More affordable housing of different types apt, sf home, duplexes, etc.
- More family fun waterpark. Take care of seniors.
- Del Webb communities.
- A compact walkable, bikeable city with great water amenities beautiful neighborhoods and fewer highways.
- I will be elderly by then...good transit, senior community center, parks with trees & places to sit, well maintained and beautiful.
- Diversity, equity, quality for everyone.
- Water planning for sustainable growth.
- Bring travelers further into town rather than staying in the outskirts then going on their way.
- Think about outlining community travelers needs as coming to the city, electric charging, overnight stays.
- Water conservation/environmental strategies.
- Create a space our children want to raise their own children. Great schools, diversity, art, infrastructure, culture, tourism.
- Amarillo needs to look at 2018 plan for seniors and make a plan moving forward.
- City growth development very important to invite citizen input and ideas. Thank you for sharing the week with everyone.
- Preserve. Focus on generational family health. Empower people to care for their neighborhood.
- Policy document to set stage for work that should be done.
- Allow travelers to see more of Amarillo.
- Don't want our city to become so big in mind that we become another New York city. Keep our city warm and open enough to reach all city great and small, rich, poor, young and old.
- North Amarillo need help.
- Amarillo plans are one sided not enough energy given to all of Amarillo, energy and time going to a curtain part of town.



- Incremental improvement. Annual on bi-annual larger improvements by smaller incremental improvements. Balance growth and development with quality of life for existing residents. Governance and adherence.
- Look forward to getting updates on progress.



Brief History of Amarillo What makes Amarillo, Amarillo?

- The people.
- Great community to family.
- The people who come here long ago and cared enough to stay and try to prosper.
- Cadillac Ranch.
- Hospitality, the panhandle spirit.
- Friendly generous folk.
- The beautiful diverse people.
- People are very friendly.
- Big town amenities with small town friendliness.
- Family growth.
- Multicultural artsy affordable housing.
- Amarillo has cultural of community and identity that make some unique.
- Our willingness to come together when we see a need.
- Get rid of the Cadillac ranch.
- Friendly people, ranching, make it safe and family friendly.
- Keep our culture without the use of 'politically right' or 'woke' language.
- Please make sure all demographics and geographies are represented.
- We are definitely a count city, but we also need to have more opportunities for good paying jobs-high tech industries.
- I've seen these meetings come and go but no positive energy to north side of town everything in cleaning on the Blvd.
- Undeniably the things that drove Amarillo's founding are still mostly Agriculture, energy, and transportation. Those must be leveraged and augmented. We are a fiercely independent friendly and helpful people.
- Encompass and involve establishing families/Ag history.
- Do we need to grow? How about water?



- Support new development subject to tax implications.
- We are cattle, western city, need to keep that.

What do we love about our history and culture and how can we make sure those things are still a part of our city 10 to 20 years from now?

- Cattle, railroads, architecture, historic neighborhood-Plemons Eakle, brick streets, llano cemetery.
- Revitalize Ama Blvd and Hwy66. Keep and display the original city emblem.
- Become a certified local government.
- Every action makes an impact of preserving history and culture of Amarillo.
- Pass a historic preservation ordinance.
- Keep a strong art, ALT, symphony, etc. Great assent for a city our size.
- Remember the north side in your vision-further north, river road, rolling hills, etc.
- Growth needs to be managed, of course, but big vision goals need to be invited also. Amarillo can invite big visions and with leadership implement these goals.
- Amarillo is western looking, not southern. Emphasize that.
- Work with Nat bike advocacy-not bike route system.
- Neighborhood preservation.
- Help make Amarillo a bike/walk friendly city.
- How we incorporate our history into everyday living and support the agricultural ranching community.
- Keep being who we are as new people come in.
- Pantex 1945
- Celebrate railroad, celebrate history, historic tours, celebrate historic parks-Elwood, Sanborn, Thompson.
- We destroyed much of history in downtown Amarillo.

How do we better leverage Route 66?

- 6th St. could be (look like) Nob Hill (Rt. 66/ control Ave-on Albuquerque) in 15 years...it has all the same features of Nob Hill of 1980.
- Good question!
- Is Amarillo being paid to bring in refugees?
- Park and ride to shopping?
- Rejuvenate leading into the San Jacinto area. More appealing than just 6th street.
- Clean it up, restore homeless issue.
- Provide funds for businesses in Amarillo Blvd to upgrade.
- Plant native wildflowers in the median on Amarillo Blvd. Use perennials. Will look a lot better than weed.
- Adventure cycling.org has a Nat bike route initiative. Tx is not yet defined but OK is. We can connect.
- Slow it down and make it walkable.
- Celebrate all of it, not just 6th St. Bike events follow it all.
- More street lights.
- Make 6th St a walking mall.



- The helium plant is a historical plant. Texas historical marker out front. The plant is used for target practice, looks awful.
- More sidewalks not as much driven traffic through the busier areas. Festivals, etc.
- Define the entire route better not just a segment.



Growth Management & Capacity

Should we continue supporting new development on the outskirts of the city an in unincorporated areas of the County, given the impact on the City's budget, traffic, and utilities?

- Yes, but don't give it away.
- The plan should include use of alternate fuels for vehicles.
- Curtail sales of parts of Amarillo to folks who have interests outside of our city/state/country. Just stop expanding and focus on the ol'homestead.
- How many new residents are seniors? How are we address?
- Not as much as support for development within the city limits, no. The limited resources should be prioritized toward ensuring all the infrastructure and resources of the city as it exists serve optimally the residents who live within it.
- Yes, depending on current impacts on taxes.
- Why not brings these areas into incorporated areas.
- Yes, if it represents employment. No for residents.
- Control growth of development outside city limits. Plan for future acquisition of areas around Amarillo.
- Improve available rentals. Implement restrictions on buying up real-estate to rent out, encourage home ownership.
- Develop inside the city.
- Need more balanced development between outskirts and within city.
- If the city supports revitalization beyond downtown revitalization, we may see growth in older neighborhoods rather than expanding new neighborhoods.
- Yes, if the city does not support expansion beyond the city limits, the CoA will adopt a big mess when the city limits expands-poorly planned sprawl.
- How do we get youth to be active in the decisions? How do we increase all representation?



- We should support more infill and focus on how to make mode share very safe.
- We need water used for our parks & trees. Not sprawling to illogical green lawns outside of town.
- Not exclusively-give tax breaks in full developer.
- Expansion not to exceed water capacity.
- 5-mile green zone around city.
- Big visions that will lead to truly unique community development.
- No, I think people move to those areas to be out of city not in it.
- Incorporate those areas to the city.
- 1.4 to 1.6 x jobs to have hold ratio.
- Agriculture/cattle/farm fresh food.
- Do not place tons of focus on bringing in people that are contrary to our way of life and values.
- I'm a little worried about the suitability of culturally expanding outwardincluding the feasibility of utilities, water, and transportation, especially since I think non-driving-based transportation is really important.
- No one likes to pay taxes, but growth requires revenue to support growth. All should pay a share in this cost.
- Plenty of land. No development on north side. We need restaurants, better housing for ownership and for single families that are available.
- Ama motto 'open spaces, endless possibilities' It only makes sense that we have more area by population then comparable communities plan accordingly. Support businesses that make the big 3 (ag, energy, and transportation) more efficient, dominant, diversification is important, but I worry about being a mile wide and only an inch deep.
- Do we need to grow? How about water?
- Support new development subject to tax implications.

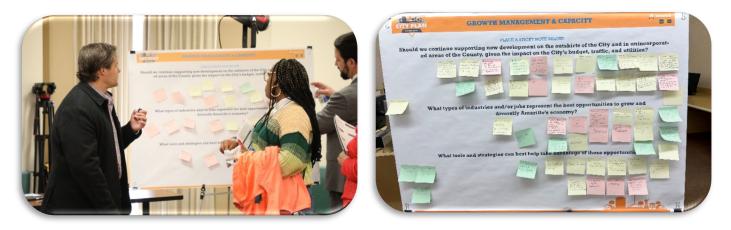
What types of industries and/or jobs represent the best opportunities to grow and diversify Amarillo's economy?

- Stem.
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- Ag/Art/small business. Work with what we have.
- Technology firms. Environmental business.
- Bell helicopter.
- Renewable energy, recycling, new technology, greenhouses.
- Stem.
- Upscale shopping or outlets. Venues for concerts (so people don't have to travel out for them.)
- Whole foods.
- H&B and Costco.
- Agricultural.
- Water treatment.
- Innovative industries around agricultural.
- Growth opportunities- Pantex, medical, retail, small business.
- Health care.
- IT, trade, training centers, construction.



What tools and strategies can best help take advantage of those opportunities?

- Get large employers to follow Tyson's lead or provide on-site chicane (?).
- Need to plan for senior citizen needs.
- Senior citizen plan.
- ASCA 55+ club of Amarillo.
- Landscaping plan in tune with water conservation especially for new development.
- New technology union jobs building trade apprentices.
- Zoning tax incentives unions.
- Research development.
- Livable WT & AC. Focus on health care. Livable communities when you are close to grocery-transit route.
- Revitalization of the boulevard.
- Outreach networking.
- Have city hold bonds of developers (10-15 years) to pay for shortly work errors and omission.
- Control water so have it for future.
- Senior living at leering income levels.
- Recycling can wash which should be man daters.



Land Use & Community Character

Infill development or building in areas that are already developed rather than building in new, undeveloped areas, has been identified by multiple plans and strategies over the years. We continue to see most new construction in Southwest Amarillo and little progress with infill. What policies and programs are needed to make this type of development easier?

- We need a planning committee for the Blvd. (two people agreed with that)
- Policies to slow development in SW and really look at the rest of the city. Revive Ama Blvd to its glory days.
- Explore brown field development at the old Texaco refinery at 3rd and grand with railroad commission.
- Love our downtown community market and sunset center.



- Be careful with incentives.
- Encourage multi-use development with neighborhoods so folks can walk and bike to access necessity business.
- Say no to development in SW. Developers own land in SE & NW, make then develop it.
- Define low density residential and medium density residential. Are Apt a medium density?
- Give tax breaks like were given to amazon, Tyson, and cheese factory.
- Make sure developers consider runoff & parks, schools as part of development plan.
- Remember, NE 8th was part of 66-not just San Jacinto.
- Not sure what policies or programs but yes.
- Work with what we have to revitalize Amarillo.
- Use empty buildings already here.
- More infill of north heights and downtown.
- The clearer the developer the more taxes they bring.
- I have concerns combining commercial with residential...opens the door for crime.
- Protecting residential zones from commercial. Nobody wants to live on a concreate highway in a disjointed neighborhood.
- Tax breaks from development and improvement in the older areas of town.
- I think more mixed-use areas would be a good thing.
- We are a great city. We include diversity yet still hold on to our character. Freedom of religion and the ability to worship God at a church of our choosing is one of our greatest heritages. We are not and should not be cold on this matter.
- Some areas need to be left to maters
- Our parks on north 15th St and martin road do not have any trees.
- Other cities have fined ways to infill successfully and re thriving. We shouldn't have to re-invest this wheel 'best practices' should be evaluated and applied to the uniqueness of Amarillo.
- Designate more for public use-Bike/Ped trails. Value design.
- Need a new zoning board. Why can 2 people torpedo a plan?
- Some areas need to be left to nature such as the canyon off of W Amarillo Blvd.
- We want to "stay" conservative Amarillo to the core while innovating and providing common sense services and spending tax dollars wisely.





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Housing and Neighborhoods

What is your vision for the older neighborhoods in the central parts of Amarillo?

- Invest in exist city and make it an incentive to infill within older areas. It should cost more to sprawl to the south and west.
- Must include leading residents into the neighborhood planning process.
- Not just older neighborhoods but all the city must address the trash problem – I want to be proud of Amarillo – but it is so trashy.
- Older neighborhoods have great walkability.
- More downtown housing.
- I dream that the boulevard could become a hub for uniting neighborhoods with honor toward the route 66 history. I want it to be an enriching environment for businesses and the youth impacted by the community.
- Need i-40 corridor beautification all visitors see underbelly of our town.
- Beautification projects throughout the city. Improving existing neighborhoods.
- Is there any hope that St. Anthony's hospital could be redirected into a corporate headquarters or other useful purpose.
- Improve infrastructure.
- Work with neighborhoods to help cover the costs of appliance/roof repairs, such as grants.
- Avoid homeless encampments which I have seen on these grounds. In general, maintain community safety.
- Buy up older properties and assemble land areas that will permit new development in older areas of town. Avoid slum developments.
- Streets, more businesses.
- Improve streets. Initiate incentives for home/yard improvements. Recognize citizens are important part of Amarillo.
- Eastridge neighborhood. Improve streets, safer and cleaner.
- We need better analysis of all neighborhoods to figure out what level of infrastructure investment into old neighborhoods feasible and/or find other funds to pay for improvement.
- Improve schools.
- We need to clean up our communities: San Jacinto, north of railroad tracks. Volunteers could help clean up alleys if trash trucks would follow. To many mattresses, furniture trash of all types needs to be picked up.
- Incentivize redevelopment of older neighborhoods.
- Alley way that are inactive.
- AC/WT student housing downtown.
- Is there a collaboration with AISD to maintain and improve older schoolsdoes the city work with AISD to evaluate expenditures?
- Help with street, sidewalks, ally ways.
- Making them beautiful, residents proud, and love their neighborhoods.
- Research ways to help people be proud of where they live.



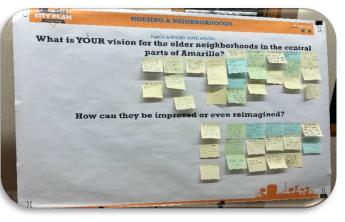
- I think affordability is really important. Maybe including housing styles other than single family homes would help with that?
- Glad to hear that temporary housing for homeless and destitute families will become a regular process for our community.
- Housing needs to be more attended to and not built so small. No side walks to the new houses that are built.
- See 'best practices' comment above in land use. It seems like we think we have a situation that's never seen solved before.
- Seek involvement and fund to help more. Ease the process for the industries.
- I am not sure if this is the right area but please implement city wide recycling. I am used to separating recycling items and have to physically take the items to places away from where I live. Get us into 21st century.
- Work with neighborhood orgs to offer grants/money for appliance and roofing repairs.
- Need affordable housing and grocery store available for all neighborhoods.
- An incentive to contractors to reward old housing and use some open spaces.
- Need accessible senior resources in low-income areas. Senior Center.

How can they be improved or even reimagined?

- Give tax incentives to renovate older homes. Do not immediately raise the appraisal-give a 2- or 3-year break in the taxes.
- Older neighborhoods should be impacted by CoA plan to redevelop for parks, walk to groceries.
- History, tradition, established trees-these neighborhoods need to be restored.
- Schools and parks more accessibility.
- Bring back neon signs, support the classic architecture, celebrate it as a nub of diversity and play up revitalize. Use discernment regarding what businesses can go here with consideration to Palo Duro students.
- Take care of your seniors, they have lots of money. Make refugees become legal.
- Buy up, renew, and re-sell older housing.
- Neighborhood gathering.
- More street lights.
- A balance Amarillo.
- Fire hydrant and to add for the new fire trucks when there are more.
- Trees, parks, green, good streets, shops, restaurants.
- Remove dead trees.
- Make changes to encourage young buyers to move in. No sales to RITs. Keep taxes lower for young buyers.
- Senior citizen locations throughout city and website directory.
- Walkable, safe. Housing around AC for students.







Parks & Cultural Resources

Parks funding is currently inadequate to cover the maintenance and improvement of existing parks, so how should the community plan for future parks in newly developed areas?

- Do not sell park property for development.
- Civic center vision the proposed civic center was not adequate to pull in larger attractions or accommodate larger crowds.
- Use native plants to minimize water cost waste.
- Need senior citizen center.
- Community involvement and adoption of park areas.
- As there much actual park use.
- Increase budget through water bill parks fee approved by voters.
- Restrooms at park need to be unlocked, cleaned and serviceable according to state of Texas section 265.123 toilet facilities shall be provided where public congregates accessible and maintained.
- I understand that some of the parks may be discontinued. Who gets to sell or develop the property.
- John stiff park college.
- Do not allow any toot & totum's and Starbucks to be built. Invest more in parks (not knowledgeable as to how)
- More emphasis on native habitats and wildlife as well as transits to improve access
- Need to sell and market idea that parks are a major attractor for businesses relocating to Amarillo.
- More trees in north side parks.
- Incorporate into builders/developers fees.
- Easter egg hunts at parks when restrooms are locked is shame upon the city.
- Streetlights over bridges need replaced.
- More street lights.
- Work with AISD and other local school districts to form beautification and/or landscaping clubs/orgs from Elem to M.S. TO H.S. TO AC&WT.
- Additional green space at the Santa Fe depot.
- Can landscaping use as many natural perennial plants as possible. They require less water than many other plants and benefit native bees and other pollination.
- More rainwater harvesting and no-mow areas in public green space.



- Focus less on newly developed areas and promote/maintain the older areas.
- Adults work out installation at public parks.
- I know that some neighborhood committees raise money within themselves. I think that if we helped kick off more neighborhood efforts it could potentially lead to a solution.
- Parks & Rec needs to look at senior support.
- Address need of existing parks before investing in new parks.
- Help Park areas.
- RV parks establish for tourist traffic.
- More elevation centers in neighborhoods 500 seat theater to accommodate.
- Parks in new residents help neighborhoods.
- Build parks into cost of new housing and development.
- Don't make use off limits, soccer practice.
- Additional intro to citizens of those running for offices. Let's have a town hall event.
- Efficiencies in spending without always jumping to tax increases.
- Adult workout equipment at parks.
- Senior citizen center needed.
- I'd really like to see in emphasis on native habitat and wildlife conservation. As someone new to Texas, I've been a bit disappointed by how Texas-y the parks in Amarillo area. I don't really use the parks much because there isn't much reason to go there.
- Existing restrooms at parks need to be unlocked, cleaned regularly, and serviceable. It is embarrassing to see families go for easter egg hunts or other parties have no place to use restroom. Too many citizens must resort to using the nearest tree. This is bad teaching for our children.
- SE parks need a lot of help.
- No trees on north side parks.
- There has to be a way of determining usage levels of smaller parks and divert funding and/or repurpose those in fewer supplanting/development/improving those that are being used.
- Keep up the good work on the parks. These are more and better maintained parks here than in other cities where I have lived. It seems nearly anywhere in town is within walking distance of a park. The more the merrier.
- A 500-seat theater to accommodate smaller concerts like for the opera.
- Work with AISD, etc. to form beautification and landscaping clubs, orgs, fr. elem-cottege as possible employment one day, not to be used as 'punishment' to clean/mow.
- Seem to be lots of walking & biking aeras. We are a spread-out community as is the panhandle and use motor vehicles for most transport. Need golf in southwest Amarillo.







Community Mobility & Infrastructure

Several plans discuss making Amarillo more walkable, which means making it easier for people to walk, bike, or use public transportation instead of driving. But this might mean making driving a little less convenient in some areas. Would improving the walkability, bike, and transit travel in Amarillo be worth making driving less convenient?

- Yes!
- Yes, weigh this per each area. Improve the safety and communication on these plans.
- Make better use of sensors at stop lights. 'Left turn yield to oncoming traffic' are great signs.
- Mandatory left turn lights are a waste of time keeping too much traffic stopped.
- Do not under plan for future, better to over plan then come up short.
- Street stop/go lights need to be improved. Too many drivers are stopped when no other drivers have to green light.
- Chicken & egg make biking safe & more people will ride. Cost of journeys are faster on a bike.
- Walking trails connecting neighborhoods.
- Bike-ability to a park/store needs to include a way/place to secure the bike. Is this included into this planning? Yes
- Yes, there is a Walmart less than a mile from my house that I cannot access without walking along a busy street (no sidewalk) walking really far out of my way, or across the street. More sidewalks, cross walks, bike trails.
- Yes!
- Cots of Z Lane roads just help cars speed up and go too fast.
- Integration with state TxDot need I-27 corridor.
- Water conservation. Retrofit/future.
- Barriers to make bike/walk paths safe from careless drivers.
- Absolutely yes.
- Need to control areas of growth to allow for future infrastructure. Water, sewer, 2nd loop.
- Both could be accomplished with study of cities where it works. We need to walk and bike-in beauty, cleanliness, and safety.
- Yes, creates communities.



- Water 50-75gr plan.
- Yes, yes absolutely.
- No, always touted as the thing to do but in reality, inefficient.
- Yes!
- Yes, trails and being outside. Build community, ownership, promote care of our spaces, and promote mental health.
- Become a 15-minute city.
- Yes, very important to make walking biking safe. Reduce speed limits improve sidewalks. Nobody needs to drive 45-50 mph through the city 30 mph should be the rule not the exception.
- More sidewalks, crosswalks, trails, bike lanes, public transportation.
- Stop lights at some intersections are antiquated and lethargic. Some seem to stop more cars on the red when no one is at the green. Mandatory left turn lights are a waste of time and gas for those waiting. I'd like to see Amarillo streetlights to be more proactive and real time censored.
- I-27 on ramps need to be redone.
- No water hydrants for five trucks to hook up to when there is a fire on north side.
- Ama is a mobile community sacrificing driving convenience for walking etc. will likely only serve to further congest already congested roads answer is both.
- Help involve the community.
- Please fix potholes more promptly. Please put warning signs before every one of these rain and rain off dips. Many roads have dips with no warning until it's too late to react. Car repairs are expensive.
- Expanding bike trails, walking paths, etc. are always touted but are invaluable, little used, and inefficient.
- Work with local businesses, sponsors, and non-profits to help property owners to be able to afford replacing old sewer and plumbing lines.
- Provide entertainment bussing or trolleys from historical, shopping, and entertainment establishments.
- Favor annexing west subject to tax implications to get more revenue for services used. Thanks Kyle! Need to balance cost of repairing old streets & infrastructure with new.

What are the major transportation investments that are necessary to not just keep up with development, but to serve existing areas and guide and shape growth?

- Amarillo alleys and streets need to be cleaned up. Seek volunteers to help.
- Buses need more stops where the people are. Astoria apt need a stop for citizens or refugees who have no care.
- More public transit including rail would be wonderful, if density could be built that accommodates or needs it.
- Concentrate equally on new and existing Amarillo infrastructure, pluming and streets need some TLC.
- Link popular areas, e.g. downtown and 6th St. Districts with free jump on/jump off transit/trolley.



- Invest in safer and beautiful trails/communication in design to improve use and transition people out of cars.
- Please make the east/west downtown streets a way to encourage development.
- More street lights.
- Some buses need to interconnect with other buses routes.
- More visible public transportation schedules.
- Better bus routes.
- Provide incentives on motivation for residential water use-including good info on water bill.
- More bus service in Amarillo where people work.
- More comprehensive public transportation with promoting events.
- Development should be limited to the infrastructure in place or infrastructure development to planned development. Our order of dev is out of place.

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Other Comments Provided:

- Create map of 5,200 buildable lots;
- Create map of fiscal impact of developing the buildable lots;
- Community engagement ideas: coordinate with Refuge Center, Bethesda, and Eastridge Elementary Principal;
- Surrounding small town residents visit Amarillo for day trips
- Senior population is interested in recreational and entertainment opportunities;
- Ensure city processes support goals of plan (e.g. permit procedures)
- Focus on empty and underutilized buildings;
- Provide recreational opportunities for all throughout the city (amenities parks in the north);
- Interest in revitalization of inner-city neighborhoods;
- Make opportunities equal throughout the city (focus on areas of need)
- Support and collaborate with small surrounding towns (e.g. White Plains)
- Provide better tasting water;
- Construct street improvements that also take care of drainage issues (don't create updates independent of one or the other, e.g. widening a road, but not addressing drainage at the same time);
- Repurpose empty buildings; and



• Please let the Southwest area rest for a while. Fix our drainage system.