

Development and Design Goals and Objectives

Number Goal/Objective

DG1 Provide for a substantial urban environment that will support and enhance neighborhoods and Businesses and accommodate their growth

DG1-O1 Ensure the long-term vitality of residential neighborhoods by regulating development compatibility.

DG1-O2 Increase conformity of land uses with the Future Land Use Map.

DG1-O3 Adopt and enforce innovative techniques to protect residential neighborhoods, enhance the economic vitality of the community, promote the efficient use of infrastructure, preserve natural areas, and ensure that subdivision improvements are built.

DG1-O4 Encourage the development of mixed-use, pedestrian-friendly activity centers at regional, community, and neighborhood level that include attractive and functional public space on both private and public lands.

DG2 Improve the visual quality of Jefferson Parish.

DG2-O1 Preserve and enhance the Parish tree canopy and natural vegetation.

DG2-O2 Improve the visual quality of streets and highways through the use of landscaping, billboards and signage regulation, and beautification projects.

DG2-O3 Adopt standards and procedures to facilitate pedestrian-accessible commercial developments that offer a variety of retail and commercial services in a manner that is compatible with the character of surrounding neighborhoods.

DG2-O4 Adopt standards that create attractive neighborhoods with a variety of aesthetically pleasing housing types and convenient access to adjacent neighborhoods, parks, schools, and neighborhood shopping.

DG2-O5 Incorporate a Design Standards Element into the comprehensive plan.

DG3 Implement orderly development and redevelopment consistent with the Parish's social, economic, physical, and natural environments.

DG3-O1 Adopt and maintain levels of service that ensure access to recreation, libraries, and other public facilities for all residents of Jefferson Parish.

DG3-O2 Improve and expand public infrastructure and services to existing and developing areas of the Parish.

DG3-O3 Provide access and standards to facilitate appropriate water-oriented development in Jefferson Parish.

DG4 Provide suitable and adequate opportunities for commercial and industrial activities that are convenient, visually pleasing and environmentally sound.

DG4-O1 Incorporate an Economic Development Element into the plan.

DG4-O2 Provide infrastructure needed to facilitate business expansion and new businesses.

DG4-O3 Ensure that adequate sites are available for existing business expansion and business startups.

DG4-O4 Promote the growth and development of industrial and commercial parks while protecting these areas from encroachment by incompatible adjacent land uses.

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DG4-O5 Encourage redevelopment and reuse of existing commercial and industrial facilities and sites.

DG5 Accommodate a diverse range of housing types and densities in a manner well suited to surrounding uses.

DG5-O1 Develop a program that identifies residential structures that are substandard and provide for the rehabilitation and redevelopment of these structures, as well as for the provision, renovation or reconstruction of public facilities and services that target low-income households and neighborhoods.

DG5-O2 Facilitate dispersed housing development opportunities to accommodate the Parish's fair share of low-income households, special needs population and the elderly.

DG5-O3 Provide adequate and appropriate sites for a variety of alternative housing choices, styles, and price ranges to meet the needs and desires of Jefferson Parish' residents.

Environmental Goals and Objectives

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| EG1 | Maintain and improve Jefferson Parish's environment to promote a high quality of life |
| EG1-O1 | Maintain and improve natural resources and environmental quality within Jefferson Parish in cooperation with Sate and Federal Agencies. |
| EG1-O2 | Adopt incentives for developers to incorporate construction methods and designs that minimize negative environmental impacts. |
| EG1-O3 | Evaluate local environmental programs and make needed adjustments to improve their effectiveness and efficiency. |
| EG2 | Achieve development patterns that contribute to a balance between the natural and built environment. |
| EG2-O1 | Adopt incentives to encourage development patterns with minimal degradation of the Parish's land, air, and water. |
| EG2-O2 | Coordinate local environmental regulations with those of other agencies to avoid needless duplication of government and regulatory activities relative to natural resource protection. |
| EG2-O3 | Take a proactive role in the environmental regulatory process to facilitate development of the Parish according to the Comprehensive Plan. |
| EG3 | Participate in activities to restore and protect coastal wetlands outside of the hurricane protection levee system, while maximizing natural resource productivity. |
| EG3-O1 | Actively cooperate with Louisiana's coastal restoration efforts as established in the State's coastal restoration plan, Coast 2050. |
| EG3-O2 | Discourage new or expanded development in the coastal area as established in the November 30, 1979 agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. |
| EG3-O3 | Partner with federal, state, neighboring parish and municipal governments to pursue natural resource grants and other funds. |
| EG4 | Promote development and redevelopment practices that minimize the potential risks from natural and man-made hazards. |
| EG4-O1 | Maintain a strategic plan to minimize threat to life and property caused by coastal storms and natural and man-made hazards. |
| EG4-O2 | Work with businesses and industries to relocate hazardous activities from environmentally sensitive or perilous areas and replace with less hazardous activities. |

Public Facilities Goals and Objectives

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| PFG1 | Provide abundant park, recreational and cultural facilities and access to natural recreational resources to satisfy the recreational needs of the residents of Jefferson Parish. |
| PFG1-O1 | Provide community facilities according to need, population density, land use continuity, natural resource sustainability, compatibility with historic resources, user safety, and the optimum allocation of public funds. |
| PFG1-O2 | Develop a system of parks for active and passive recreation with a variety of user-oriented and resource-based facilities and recreational programs to serve the needs of current and future residents. |
| PFG1-O3 | Increase the facilities available for arts and cultural purposes in the Parish. |
| PFG1-O4 | Evaluate opportunities to create recreational opportunities on existing public space. |
| PFG1-O5 | Develop guidelines to incorporate green space, recreational, and cultural opportunities and linkages in new development. |
| PFG1-O6 | Incorporate Parks and Recreation Element into the Comprehensive Plan. |
| PFG2 | Ensure that dependable and adequate public infrastructure that supports the existing and future development needs of the Parish. |
| PFG2-O1 | Incorporate Public Works Element into the Comprehensive Plan. |
| PFG2-O2 | Provide needed capital improvements to repair or replace obsolete or worn out infrastructure facilities, eliminate existing deficiencies and meet the needs of future development and redevelopment. |
| PFG2-O3 | Maintain and improve existing drainage facilities in areas that have capacity deficiencies and a history of flood complaints, while using generally accepted design criteria for current and future projects. |
| PFG2-O4 | Provide sewage treatment operations to meet demands of the Parish in an efficient, economical and environmentally sensitive manner. |
| PFG2-O5 | Improve water distribution infrastructure by correcting system deficiencies and making system upgrades. |
| PFG3 | Ensure that adequate community services and facilities are provided to serve the needs of all residents of the Parish. |
| PFG3-O1 | Optimize the use of public facilities and services to improve the quality of life for all residents of Jefferson Parish. |
| PFG3-O2 | Provide adequate public facilities to serve the needs of the Parish's residents. |
| PFG3-O3 | Incorporate Community Facilities and Human Services Elements into the Comprehensive Plan. |

Administration Goals and Objectives

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| AG1 | Establish a citizen-based process to review, implement and update the Comprehensive Plan. |
| AG1-O1 | Develop and implement a public education program to provide information about the comprehensive land use and transportation plan to maintain support and monitor enforcement of the plan. |
| AG1-O2 | Establish a broad-based citizen committee to review and recommend amendments to the plan at regularly scheduled intervals. |
| AG2 | Require all related Parish resolutions, ordinances, and regulations to be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. |
| AG2-O1 | Eliminate inconsistencies between the Future Land Use Maps and the zoning maps and zoning ordinance, by way of a parish-wide rezoning. |
| AG2-O2 | Establish, promote, and maintain consistency and uniformity between the provisions of this Plan and any Parish land development regulations. |
| AG2-O3 | Adopt incentives and penalties to achieve implementation of the comprehensive plan. |
| AG3 | Provide the necessary resources to implement, maintain, fund, enforce, and update the Comprehensive Plan. |
| AG3-O1 | Establish process for annual plan status reports and 5-year evaluation and appraisal of the comprehensive plan. |
| AG3-O2 | Provide the necessary resources to effectively manage, enforce, and implement the comprehensive land use and transportation plan. |
| AG3-O3 | Use plan objectives to establish budget and capital improvements program priorities. |
| AG3-O4 | Develop sub-area plans for specific areas of Jefferson Parish to address specific land use issues of certain areas of the Parish. |

Transportation Goals and Objectives

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| TG1 | Resolve transportation network challenges through partnerships between government, business and citizens. |
| TG1-O1 | Identify transportation system improvements needed to support planned land uses. |
| TG1-O2 | Continue to strengthen the working relationship between the Parish's Department of Transit Administration (JeT) and the Regional Transit Authority with the goal of making the transition of passengers as seamless as possible. |
| TG1-O3 | Actively participate in discussions relative to the regional governance of major transportation facilities located within the Parish, like the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport. |
| TG1-O4 | Seek opportunities for new funding from federal and state programs for the development of the transportation infrastructure through active involvement in the Regional Planning Commission. |
| TG2 | Provide an interconnected network of streets, walkways, bicycle paths, public transportation and light rail that provides a variety of options for movement through the Parish and Metropolitan Area. |
| TG2-O1 | Complete all recommended projects included within the funded portions of the local transportation capital improvements program, as identified in the Road Bond Issue of 1998, RPC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and State of Louisiana Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development (TIMED). |
| TG2-O2 | Identify existing streets where future widening and major reconstruction opportunities are limited or no longer possible due to conflicts created by adjacent development, but where a need exists for making improvements to one or more critical areas in order to improve the corridor's overall function. |
| TG2-O3 | Acknowledge that Parish roadways serve a variety of functions beyond moving automobiles by incorporating the needs for all modes of transportation (pedestrians, transit, bikes) when developing new corridors or enhancing existing roads. |
| TG2-O4 | Establish a major street plan for the Parish that identifies and classifies all existing and future roadways according to their locations and functions (interstate, freeway, arterial, and collector). |
| TG2-O5 | Adopt standards that encourage a more attractive walking environment between transit stop areas, commercial centers and adjacent residential areas, particularly along those corridors where mixed-land use exists or will be encouraged, and a high-demand for transit services exists or will be encouraged in the future. |
| TG2-O6 | Establish standards, which offer increased access between neighborhoods and the Parish's existing and future recreational areas by pedestrians and cyclists. |
| TG2-O7 | Develop a stable source of funding linked to individual projects that will address construction and maintenance of new transportation programs and projects developed because of this planning effort. |

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TG3 Maintain a safe, efficient, cost-effective, environmentally sound, and visually pleasing transportation system.

TG3-O1 Establish policies, standards and programs that offer feasible solutions to addressing traffic concerns within all residential and commercial neighborhood areas, while addressing questions of liability and maintenance of the high level of access required for community safety and security.

TG3-O2 Identify and adopt physical site design standards, which encourage convenient and direct connections between developed areas and the adjacent transportation systems, as well as the incentives, required to encourage compliance.

TG3-O3 Maintain a high level of coordination with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, Federal Highway Administration, and other agencies responsible for transportation system construction to minimize related impacts on adjacent areas to the extent possible.

TG3-O4 Encourage the use of public transportation in those areas where user populations exist or could be cultivated through a combination of new or enhances services and facilities.

TG3-O5 Identify physical and policy improvements/initiatives that would make local bicycle and pedestrian facilities a safer, more reliable method for movement between areas.

TG3-O6 Coordinate major transportation improvements with ongoing programs to document the region's air quality conformity and compliance program as managed by the Regional Planning Commission.

TG3-O7 Create an emergency response plan for the transportation network, with specific elements provided for hurricane evacuation, response to terrorist acts and hazardous materials spills and accidents.

TG3-O8 Proactively identify, dedicate, reserve, and procure rights-of-way for construction of future transportation improvements.

TG4 Enhance the competitive position of the Parish and provide for the movement of goods and employees by taking full advantage of opportunities that support, expand and improve transportation system components (highway, rail, transit, air and water).

TG4-O1 Support and provide assistance as required (public input, testimony, official comments and position statements) on future major transportation projects that will enhance the flow of commerce (goods and services) within and between the Parishes.

TG4-O2 Maintain and support a pattern of development that creates distinct, high quality, dense nodes of housing, shopping, jobs, community facilities and services at defined transportation and transit nodes, thus helping to encourage new opportunities for economic development and growth of the Parish's employment base.

TG4-O3 Recognize that the development of a Millennium Port on the Lower Mississippi River will affect the Parish's transportation network.

TG4-O4 Establish transition areas to encourage buffering and screening around industrial oriented transportation facilities.

TG4-O5 Define corridors and areas within the Parish to accommodate truck movements between ports, intermodal, industrial and commercial facilities.

TG4-O6 Create an inventory of existing transportation system physical conditions and develop a strategy aimed at addressing maintenance needs in a timely fashion.
