Envision LITTLETON Our Community. Our Future.

An innovative community engagement effort to define a vision for our future

Aligning the Stars

- Election 2017 Results
- Term-limited Mayor
- Work Plan culture emerges
- Leadership focused
- Retreat 2018

Be Values-Based & Data-Driven

- Emotional connection
- Communicate clear vision
- Be intentional
- Be on the same page
- Measure progress

Strategically Principled and Tactically Flexible

Clear Unifying Vision



Evolving Culture Of Collaboration (Systems Thinking)

Start with Emotional Connection

- Start with a long list of shared values; capture the hearts and minds of the community
- Together, these are a philosophy
- They encompass beliefs and values that span a lifetime
- They are constant, irrespective of change
- They guide you and inform your culture
- They communicate what's important

Great Input from Our Community with Each Step

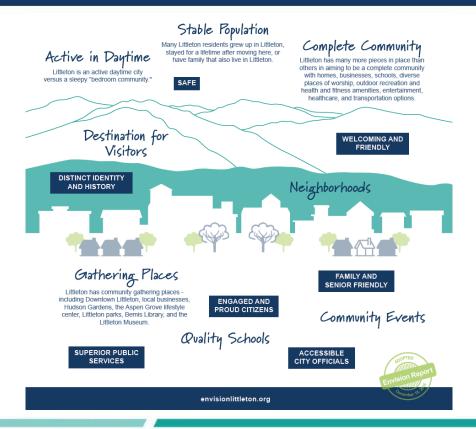








Unifying Vision & Shared Values



In 2040, Littleton will be:

- Quality Community
- Sustainable Community
- Resilient Community
- Safe Community
- Engaged Community
- Financially Sustainable

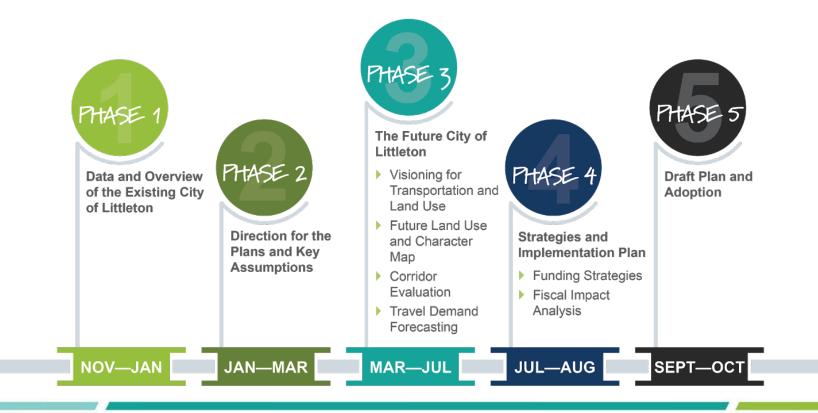
Data-Driven & Outcomes/Deliverables

- Unifying Vision
- Set Strategic Direction
- Guide Internal Decision-Making
- Shared Goals
- Measure Progress
- Revive Policy Making
- Identify Action Steps
- Organizational Culture and Implementation

ENVISION LITTLETON *Comprehensive & Transportation Master Plans*



2019 – Five Phases



Core Elements for Each Plan

- Legacy of Past Planning
- Key Issues
 and Considerations
- Framework for Action
 - Goals
 - Policies
 - Actions
- Potential Partners

RECREATION, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM

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LEGACY OF PAST PLANNING

- . City of Littleton Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan, 2016
- South Platte Park Management Plan, 2017
- South Platte River Corridor Vision, Arapahoe County, 2013
- South Suburban Parks and Recreation Master Plan, 2017
- High Line Canal Vision Plan, 2017
 High Line Canal Framework Plan, 2019

KEY ISSUES AND CONSIDERATIONS

 Threats to Littleton's historic legacy and architectural heritage, whether due to economic de extent to which Littleton uses preservation methods and tools.

- Concern over development encroachment, both physical and visual, on Litieton's preserved and desire for greater emphasis on the continuity and potential enlargement of linear green community.
- The need for more effective collaboration with partner entities that have responsibility for may elements of Littleton's park and open space inventory (e.g., South Suburban Parks and Rec Canal Conservancy, etc.), and with the volunteers and entities that make Littleton's event-fil
- Convenient and safe public access to parks, trails, and greenways within the city, especially separated from these resources by major roadways and other physical barriers.
- Ongoing appreciation and promotion of Littleton Museum and Bemis Library as special public
- . Littleton's tourism appeal and its approach to accommodating visitors for leisure and busine

FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION

GOALS

- GOAL RHT 1: Preserved and enhanced public green spaces that provide access to natural for recreation and play close to home, and continuous greenway connections within and through the city.
- GOAL RHT 2: Continued protection and promotion of Littleton's heritage, especially where it is tangibly visible in historic architecture, designated districts and landmarks, and distinctive neighborhoods and buildings.
- GOAL RHT 3: A healthy community with convenient access to recreational facilities and programming, outdoor fitness activities, and quality nutrition options.
- GOAL RHT 4: A vibrant city for both residents and visitors, enlivened by an active downtown, an array of cultural and entertainment options both indoor and outdoor, and popular community events and feetivals throughout the year.

POLICIES

In making decisions that involve public resource allocation, regulatory matters, and physical improvements, among others, Litteton will:

Policy RHT 1: Maintain close and mutually beneficial relationships with the South Suburban Parks and Recreation District, High Line Canal Conservancy, Husbon Gardens, and other key partners that enable Littleton residents and visitors to enjoy a large quantity of high quality recreational assets and public open space.

- Policy RHT 2: Continue to build consensus on measures the City should consider and implement to:
- · Preserve more areas and structures with bistodic character, and
- · Protect designated and potential new hist

Policy RHT 3: Prioritize public safety, includir security while enjoying parks, trails, and com

Policy RHT 4: Incorporate guidance and ince better design and integration of green and op and sensitive design approaches on sites with

Policy RHT 5: Continue to plan for, and budg as premier public facilities for the enjoyment of

Policy RHT 6: Regularly evaluate the approp and support to cultural arts and community ev

Policy RHT 7: Be sensitive to the perspective

 Develop awareness of the various ways v popular locations and events; what they b time and money they spend locally.

ACTIONS

Capital Investments

Action RHT 1: Utilize the project funding prio Force to maximize the leveraging of available objectives of the City and its multiple partners High Line Canal Conservancy, Hudson Garde

Programs and Initiatives

Action RHT 2: Develop an organizational stru inquiries and funding pursuits as detailed in th

Action RHT 3: Improve access to parks and media, etc.) to promote awareness of plans, p South Suburban Parks and Recreation, Huds Action RHT 4: Track visitor utilization of recre

changing local, state, and national tourism tre Action RHT 5: Continue to promote awarene through Historic Preservation Board activities

Regulations and Standards

Action RHT 6: Evaluate the potential for ded contributions or other fees, as detailed in the 2 Action RHT 7: Through the Historic Preservation Board and other forums, continue to bald consensus on measures the City should consider and implement – regulatory and/or otherwise – for preserving more areas and structures with districtive historic value and character, along with ongoing protection of previously designated places and identification of potential new historic districts and indimntifis.

POTENTIAL PARTNERS

artners for implementation of plan priorities

related to Recreation, Heritage, and Tourism

K Neighboring jurisdictions and Arapahoe,

Denver Regional Council of Governments

Scientific and Cultural Facilities District

Douglas, and Jefferson Counties

High Line Canal Conservancy

8 South Platte Working Group 8 South Suburban Parks and Recreation District 8 Tri-County Health Department

Littleton Public Schools

Aspen Grove Colorado Tourism Office

Partnerships and Coordination

Action RHT 8: Continue and enhance collaboration and partnerships with the many agencies, organizations and nonprofits that provide and/or advocate for recreation, open space and other amenities in Littleton.

Action RNT 5: Promote the wellness of residents by collaborating with the Th-County Health Department, other health advocary and resource organizations and non-portist, Littleton Public Schools, and other partners, and market Littleton's many parks and recreation offerings as essential elements of an active littlety.

Action RHT 10: Continue to identify and collaboratively pursue methods to address missing links in the existing local and regional trial systems to improve access and connectivity to jobs, education, fresh food, and health care, among others.

 Improving High Line Canal Trail connections at Broadway is identified as one of seven transformation projects in the High Line Canal Conservancy Framework Plan.

Action RHT 11: Work with partners to promote multi-use trail eliquette, safety and education,

Action RHT 12: Engage volunteers and leverage their involvement to increase awareness, education, and use of park and recreation amenities.

Action RHT 13: Improve coordination of signage and wayfinding at parks, recreation sites, trails, and open space areas, and also within residential neighborhoods and commercial areas.

Action RHT 14: Continue to emphasize regional collaboration as the best means for enhancing the South Platte River corridor as both an environmental and community amenity.

More Targeted Planning / Study

Action RHT 15: Build on planning efforts for the South Platte River Comidor to clarify and integrate goals for this key community asset involving economics, aesthetics, recreation, and the environment.

Action RNT 16: Complete regular updates to the Parks, Recreation and Trails Master Plan, highlight implementation progress and successes – especially through partnership efforts, and continue to communicate Littleton's park, recreation and point space priorities to funding partners.

Action RHT 172 Lay the groundwork for preparing a holistic historic preservation plan and strategy for concerning preservation efforts in Littleton, involving broad community engagement to gauge resident, property owner and stakeholder settiment on the methods and extent to which the City should utace available preservation bolds.

 Use the City's initiatives to update its zoning and development regulations and pursue further downtown-focused planning as precursors to a historic preservation plan.

BIG EARS...From Input and Vision ...



... to Plan and ACTION

Recreation, Heritage, and Tourism

Goal HART 1

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Policy HART 1

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Action HART 14

Pursue ways to close gaps in the existing local and regional trail systems to improve access and connectivity to jobs, education, fresh food, and health care, among others.

GOAL

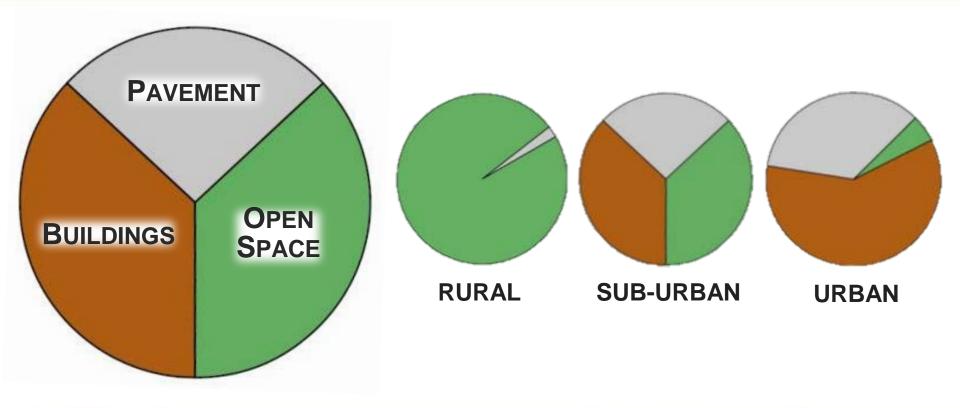
POLICY

ACTION

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



Community Character – Unique Approach



Future City in 2040

	Current	2040
Parks & Open Space	30%	30%
Suburban Character	25%	45%
Urban Character	1%	2%
Mixed Character	2%	14%

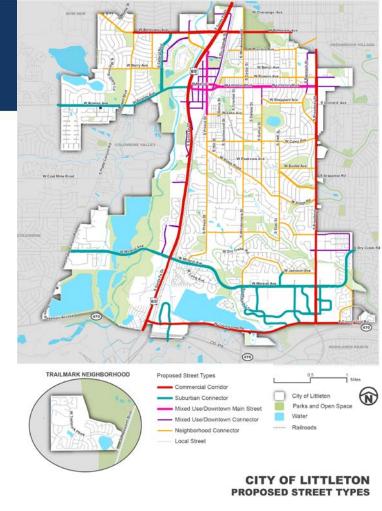
WORKING DRAFT Future Land Use and Character in Littleton, CO (August 7, 2019) 800 450 0 80 A egen Future Land Use and Charaoter City Limits **Extents Residential** Suburban Business Park Parcel Boundary Suburban Desident Auto-Oriented Commercial South Metro Fire Resoue Station Suburban Residential Attach Confider Mixed Use Suburban Residential Multi-Family Urban Downlown Transition Urban Downlown Mixed Use Auto-Oriented Residentia Auto-Oriented Residential Attaches "NEW" Urban Downtown Main Street Auto-Oriented Residential Multi-Part Open Space Residential Mix Park "RENAMED" Moved Character Core Net Private Recreation Suburban Commercial **** "NEW" Special Corridor Planning Areas

TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN



Complete Street Networks

- Recognize character context-sensitive street type classification system
- Level of Service policy for Auto/Freight, Transit, Bicycle, and Pedestrian networks
- It's a Network Incorporate Overlays to identify which streets should prioritize certain modes
- Menu of potential projects
- Transportation Mobility Board



Critical Corridors

Critical Corridor: Santa Fe Drive (US 85)

mover

region. Today, it is a mix of limited access expressway and commercial arterial. It cames a massive amount of traffic through the city and serves not just Littleton's north-south travel needs, but also as a primary route for traffic moving through the City. If will continue to serve this function in the future as a state highway. The follow of Santa Ea Drive is as the City's main worth and heads and freight mute. Santa I in that the comdor is flanked on either side by premium transit (LRT) or active transportation Greenway) facilities. These adjacent multimodal corridors allow Santa Fe Drive to be an auto Broadway currently serves a number of uses. It is the most traveled transit corridor (beside the LRT lines). it serves as a regional automotive and truck route, and it provides direct property access to a mix of general 100 1107 1207 607 commercial uses and even some single-family residential uses. Broadway is one of the most dangerous places to be as a pedestrian or bicyclist in the City, and its wide footprint and fast speeds mean that those who attempt SPEED to cross it are vulnerable to being struck by autos. 45 STATISTICS:

Santa Fe Drive is a state and federal highway that has long served as Littleton's connection to the rest of the

 Safety and operational improvements at Bowles Critical Corridor: S Broadway

STRATEGIES AND PROJECTS:

· Implement near-term operational improvement projects: Alternative intersection at Mineral Avenue

> SPEED SPEED

35 40

technology

STRATEGIES AND PROJECTS:

The future of Broadway is as the City's eastern transit Boulevard. Because the right-of-way is wide. Broadway is a prime candidate for exclusive transit lanes with Bus Rapid Transit service. Repurposing underutilized road space for transit will allow Broadway to evolve into an asset for Litieton, and will generate economic activity. Broadway has been identified as a Tier 1 BRT contidor by RTD and the City should dedicate resources to working with partner municipalities to take tran

currently carries as many as 48,000 vehicles (amount of congestion.

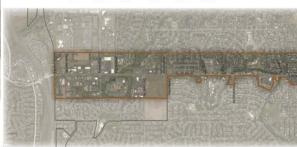
As the transit vision evolves, other modes, par Critical Corridor: Littleton Blvd / Main St / Alamo Dr / Bowles Ave

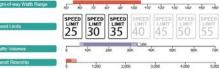
This corridor, which passes directly through downtown Littleton, currently serves as the main east-west route-Sacrificing space for transit vehicles will likely through the northern part of the City. At the heart of the City, Littleton Bivd and Main Street have a rich history which could include alternative intersection fire as a place to go, a place to do business, and a place to be with the community.

Special attention must be paid to the residenti downtown, while respecting its history. The Comprehensive Plan envisions Littleton Boulevard transitioning to a mixed use corridor and extension of

Specific actions include: 1. Partner with RTD, Centennial, and Arapatic

2 Implement quick action projects to enhance STATISTICS: 3. Implement quick action safety projects for p





STRATEGIES AND PROJECTS:

The future of this corridor is as Littleton's Main Street. This corridor is many things to many people, but at its core it is the identity of Littleton. Extending the positive aspects of Downtown Littleton and Main Street to the east along Littleton Boulevard and reconnecting civic uses east of the railing tracks will bring a better sense of connection with the downtown area and the rest of the community. With Littleton High School anchoring the east end of the corridor, the transformation of Littleton Blvd into a mixed use urban arterial will create a place that generates activity and contributes to the City's prosperity.

The corridor has the potential to serve as a true place, not just a place to move cars.

Specific Actions include:

1. Conduct a corridor study that builds upon the foundation in this TMP a. Create an access control plan to address redevelopment concerns.

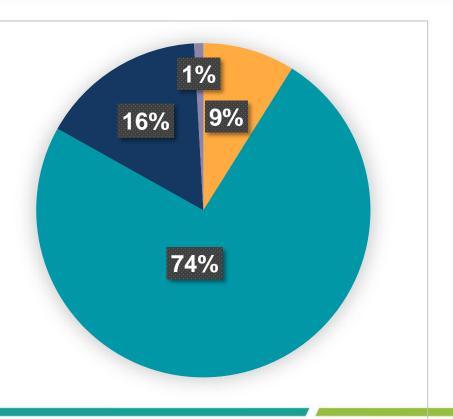
- 2. Implement quick action projects to enhance transit speeds and reliability.
- 3. Implement quick action safety projects for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists.
- 4. Advocate for increased transit frequency along the comdor with RTD.
- 5. Enhance bicycle connections to the Powers Avenue bicycle priority street to the north. 6. Enhance the pedestrian environment, particularly on the east end.
- 7. Conduct a Downtown Mobility Plan and Streetscape Plan



All Potential Projects

Active Transportation

- Auto Capacity
- Auto Operations and Safety
- Transit



Implementation Planning

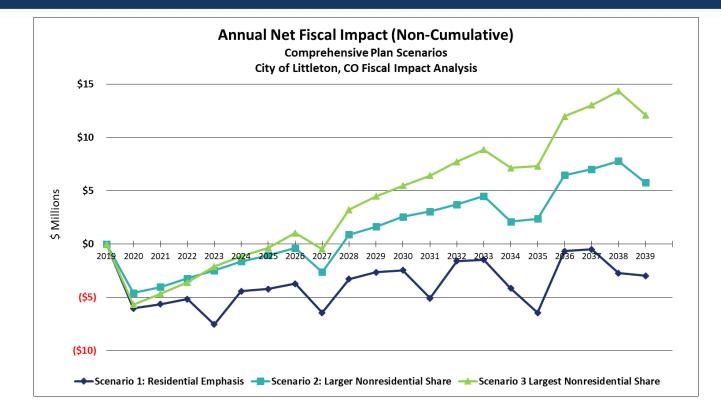
Total need: \$678 million

City contribution assuming Regional and Federal Partnerships:

- Max Federal Scenario: new City of Littleton Funding Needed *\$188 M*
- Moderate Federal Scenario: new City of Littleton Funding Needed \$252 M

How do we pay for it?

Annual Net Fiscal Impacts



What's Next?



Plan

Council Work Plan

Strategic Plan

Our Culture is Evolving – More Strategic

The Stars are Aligning Again:

- Governing Body Support
- Executive Support
- Timing
- Departmental Support
- Resources (Personnel, Financial, Time, Technology)
- Ready to Involve the Community

QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

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