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PURPOSE

To present the 2018 Annual Review of the Be Brighton Comprehensive Plan.

BACKGROUND

The Be Brighton Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the Planning Commission on March 22, 2016 and ratified by the City Council on April 4, 2016. Chapter 5 addresses plan implementation and maintenance procedures of the plan, which include the requirement for an annual review. Each annual review shall evaluate the City's progress towards the four community vision themes established during the public engagement process completed in 2016. In order to strive towards a transparent and data-based report, there are twelve measurements known as "plan indicators" which are linked to each theme. The four themes and their related indicators are as follows:

The Regional Leader for the Northeast Metro Area

- Brighton's Share of the Northeast Metro Jobs
- Brighton's Share of the Northeast Metro Housing
- Brighton's Share of the Northeast Metro Sales Tax

- Balanced Employment

Inclusive Community Where we Collaborate and Share

- Life Cycle Housing Options
- Walkable Blocks
- Core Area Connectivity

A Sustainable and Complete Community

- Access to Parks
- Residential Water Use & Sustainable Projects

A Future Rooted and Growing in a Shared Heritage and Home Town Feel

- Historic Resources Stewardship
- Downtown Vibrancy and Availability
- Open Space and Agricultural Land Conservation

Although staff will perform a review of each of the indicators on an annual basis, it is not expected that all of the goals will be met each year. The Comprehensive Plan notes that it may take five to ten years to see a clearly defined pattern trending towards the desired goal.

STAFF FINDINGS

This is the second annual review performed by staff using the adopted plan indicators. Analysis of each indicator will be reported for the 2017 year, with minor data modifications as directed by the Planning Commission and City Council upon last year's presentation and initial data collection. Changes made this year will be as follows:

Indicator #3 - Brighton's Share of Northeast Metro Sales Tax.

In absence of an appropriate data source for sales tax collected within the metro area boundary, staff has gathered tax information for surrounding communities in whole and performed an analysis of comparison and growth trends.

Indicator #7 - Core Area Connectivity

Staff has generated a database for sidewalks and trails within the city core. New sidewalks, trails and bike lanes outside of the city core have also been listed for reference.

Also new this year, staff is creating a trend analysis, which demonstrates the overall change that has occurred since plan adoption. This will be particularly beneficial as we look for trends in the data over time. As previously mentioned, it may take 5 to 10 years to see some of the indicators trend in the desired direction.

STATUS UPDATE

Staff is currently wrapping up the data collection and analysis stage of the annual review. The final pieces of data are expected to be released in late March. Once the analysis is complete, staff will draft a final report of the indicators for internal and external use in strategic and annual budget planning. The plan will also be published on our website for public consumption, as well as presented to the Planning Commission, City Council and any others Boards or Commissions upon request.

ATTACHMENTS

- Study Session Presentation