Comprehensive Plan
2021 Implementation Update
City Council Work Session July 1, 2021
The “IMAGINE IRVING” Comprehensive Plan

• Provides city with long-term guidance for decision making and provision for
  o Land use
  o Housing/neighborhoods
  o Transportation
  o Infrastructure
  o Parks/open space
  o Economic development
  o General city operations

• Based on target year 2040

• Projected population of 301,540 persons
The “IMAGINE IRVING” Comprehensive Plan

• Serves as foundation for City’s 3-5 year Strategic Plan and 1-2 Year Business Plan

• Contains implementation program with goals and strategies with particular emphasis on
  - Centers, corridors and connections
  - International development
  - High quality places to live, work and play
  - Sustainability
  - Strong health and education foundation
  - Robust innovative business environment
  - Diverse cultures to celebrate and build upon
2020-21 Implementation Progress
Goal 1: Ensure land use decisions are consistent with the adopted Imagine Irving Comprehensive Plan

(Under Strategy 1.2)

• Updates to Future Land Use Map underway

(Under Strategy 1.3)

• Adopted Unified Development Code with ongoing updating to zoning and subdivision regulations

• Preparing to adopt 2020 NEC and 2021 ICC Building Codes
Housing and Neighborhoods

**Goal 2:** Provide variety of housing types to accommodate the diversity of Irving’s residents and neighborhoods

(Under Strategy 2.1)

- **2020 Housing Study** nearing completion

**Goal 3:** Invest in neighborhoods to protect and enhance neighborhood character

(Under Strategy 3.2)

- **Neighborhood Planning program** under development

2021 Implementation Report
Goal 4: Enable access to housing for vulnerable populations

(Under Strategy 4.2)

- **Federal COVID 19 funding** being allocated to address sheltering and housing needs of qualifying individuals
- **City general fund dollars** used to reimburse Irving Community Action Network (ICAN) for motel housing of homeless during freezing weather

(Under Strategy 4.3)

- **Canova Palms senior housing development** completed
Goal 2: Improve multimodal transportation connections

(Under Strategy 2.2)

• **Signature Bridge construction completed**

(Under Strategy 2.3)

• **Citywide bike plan study**

Goal 3: Increase overall system capacity

(Under Strategy 3.1)

• **Road to the Future - Year 4 implementation**
• **Traffic operations center capacity expanded**
• **Loop 12/SH 114/SH 183 interchange work underway**
Goal 2: Collect wastewater in an efficient, reliable, sustainable and environmentally sound matter

(Under Strategy 2.1)

• **Urban Center wastewater lift station completed**

(Under Strategy 2.2)

• **Wastewater Master Plan implementation schedule adopted**
Goal 3: Reduce the risk of flooding to existing and future structures

(Under Strategy 3.1)

• **Drainage assessment for long-term funding plan completed**

• **Brockbank Channel flood control improvements**

• **Delaware Creek drainage improvements**
Goal 1: Conduct a comprehensive parks, open space and trail master plan

(Under Strategy 1.1)
- Master Plan adopted in October 2019 and implementation underway

Goal 3: Creatively work towards a goal of 10 acres of parks and open space per 1,000 residents

(Under Strategy 3.1)
- Williams Square Plaza renovations are underway
- Heritage Park reconstruction
- Levy Plaza completed
Goal 10: Complete the remaining land acquisition and construction for Campion Trails within the next five years

(Under Strategy 10.1)

- **2-mile section of trail from Sam Houston Trail Park to Coppell** opened in 2019

Goal 11: Reprogram inefficient facilities to meet changing demands

(Under Strategy 11.1)

- **Georgia Farrow recreation center renovations completed**
- **Senter Park renovations in final phase**
Goal 6: Economic development tools and resources – Funding for economic development

(Under Strategy 6.2)

• Hidden Ridge Development – Pioneer Natural Resources Co.
Goal 6: Economic development tools and resources – Incentives for revitalization

(Under Strategy 6.4 – Heritage Crossing District)

- Irving Boulevard Reconstruction bidding completed
- Downtown Starbucks under construction
- Plans underway for Phase 1 multi-family development on former lumberyard tract in downtown
- Phase 2 of Delaware Creek housing completed
Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives

Goal 1: Use city procurement to provide leadership in sustainability

(Under Strategy 1.4)

- **Solid Waste Services** installing GPS system on landfill compactors to efficiently use and expand landfill lifespan

Goal 4: Expand the use of renewable energy sources

(Under Strategy 4.1)

- Negotiated renewable energy contract with TXU to provide city facilities with 100% renewable energy credits
- Expanded to organization-wide participation in the EPA’s Green Power Partnership
Goal 1: Use data and technology to connect and integrate initiatives to continually improve city operations

(Under Strategy 1.1)

• Libraries exploring
  o Building models for data driven decision-making for library collection building/maintenance
  o Implementing technology to improve self-service options/materials handling efficiency

• Parks, Water Utilities and other departments utilizing Smart City technology to enhance services/community outreach

• Innovation and Performance Office creating data analytics program to bolster operational efficiency/effectiveness
Goal 1: Ensure library facilities are properly located and upgraded to provide quality citywide library services and plan for new facilities to meet future growth

(Under Strategy 1.1)

- **Library Facility Location Master Plan created to ensure services available to all residents**

- **Offsite library storage system at the Huffman Community Building is fully operational**
Goal 6: Plan for maintenance and ongoing programming of the Irving Arts Center as a key cultural asset

(Under Strategy 6.2)

• Arts Center maintenance plan adopted with FY 21 implementation
• Upgrades to Arts Center underway
• Arts Center exploring expansion of programming to promote diversity in venue’s audience
Goal 1: The City of Irving sets the standard for sound governance, fiscal management and sustainability

(Under Strategy 1.1)

- **Citywide Talent Development Plan**
- **Leadership academy for employees**
- **Identifying department specific training needs**

(Under Strategy 1.2)

- **New electronic records retention policy**
- **15-year financial plan created with checklists and modeled forecasts**
- **Financial policies and procedures updated with Munis accounting system**
**Public Safety**

Goal 1: Become a regional leader in innovative technology

- **Implemented text to 9-1-1 program**

Goal 2: Plan for future public safety capital improvement needs

- **Fire Station 4 fully operational**
Poverty, Health and Education

Goal 1: Continue to collaborate with the county, community and other strategic partners to improve the health of residents

• **Mosquito nuisance abatement efforts enhanced with expanded testing, coverage and proactive intervention**
Next Steps

- **Continue pursuing goals and strategies of “Imagine Irving” Comprehensive Plan**

- **Performance Team continues tracking progress**

- **Provide annual updates to City Council**

- **Comprehensive review of all goals and objectives in 2022**
Discussion