

2030 VISION ISSUES AND PROJECTS

The following represents the City Council's vision of important issues and projects that will influence and impact the future of Coon Rapids over the next two decades. This 2030 Vision has been developed over the past two years with extensive public input and discussion.

TRANSPORTATION

- Northdale and Foley Complete the reconstruction of the Northdale/Foley intersection.
- <u>Sidewalks and Trails</u> Maximize safe opportunities for bikers, runners, and walkers and enhance Coon Rapid's pedestrian friendliness by completing the comprehensive City sidewalk and trail system.
- <u>Coon Rapids Boulevard</u> Complete the reconstruction of Coon Rapids Boulevard from East River Road to City of Anoka.
- **Highway 10 Expansion** Support the expansion of State Highway 10 through Anoka County.
- Northstar Commuter Rail The Northstar Commuter Rail system will be successfully implemented connecting St. Cloud, and rail passenger service to Cambridge/Duluth will be operational.
- <u>Intra-Regional Commuter Busline</u> Establish a commuter bus system that support the needs of the commuter rail system community.
- <u>County Transportation Design Standards</u> Urge the County to consider utilizing urban design standards for County Roads extending through Coon Rapids.
- <u>Intelligent Transportation Systems</u> Evaluate ITS options for applicability to managing traffic congestion.
- <u>Mississippi River Bridge Crossing</u> Initiate discussion regarding additional bridge across Mississippi River.
- <u>Separated Grade Crossings</u> Streets will be separated from railroad crossings throughout the community.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/REDEVELOPMENT

- <u>Bio-Science Community Focus</u> Establish and promote Coon Rapids as a bio-science community.
- **<u>Redevelopment</u>** Support the long term economic revitalization of the community through the zoning protection and redevelopment of large and significant parcels and corridors including:
 - o Coon Rapids Boulevard Corridor
 - o Former Target Site
 - o Northdale Shopping Center quadrant
 - o Coon Rapids portion of the Federal Cartridge parcel
- <u>Mississippi River Opportunities</u> Establish a destination retail/dining/socializing location on the Mississippi River.
- **Northstar Transit Stop Land Development** Both Northstar Commuter Rail stops have been fully developed with adjacent land uses that are consistent with community goals.
- Redevelopment of Bunker Hills Clubhouse Enhance the recognition of Bunker Hills Golf Course as a major destination location through the redevelopment/revitalization of the clubhouse facility and including as many other supportive amenities as possible.

HOUSING

- **Promotion of Life Cycle Housing** Promote the community's housing goals of having a wide diversity of life-cycle housing that is well maintained and kept up through reinvestment.
- <u>Maximize Use of MAF</u> Maximize the use and benefit of the Mortgage Assistance Program in assisting the community in meeting long term housing goals.

OPEN SPACE/RECREATION

- <u>Trails and Sidewalks</u> Complete the Trail and Sidewalk plan throughout the City with full integration into the Regional Trail System.
- <u>Comprehensive Parks Renovation</u> Develop and implement a major parks renovation capital plan that renovates and revitalizes the City's comprehensive parks system.
- Establish and fund a Park Management Plan Ensure that resources are available to maintain and sustain our overall park system in a manner expected by the community.

AGING

- <u>Senior Transportation System</u> Ensure an adequate transportation system within the community for meeting personal needs and recreation programming needs of seniors.
- <u>Regional Senior Center</u> Create a formal Senior Center within the proposed Community Center to serve the needs of the regional senior population.

NEIGHBORHOODS

• <u>Neighborhood Quality of Life</u> Preserve, maintain, and strengthen the quality of life in neighborhoods through proactive property maintenance, focus on public safety, strong communication and engagement, and paying attention to specific neighborhood issues and concerns.

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT/PUBLIC DISCUSSION

- <u>Strong Relationship with Anoka County</u> Maintain a strong and positive relationship with Anoka County regarding economic development and redevelopment.
- **Strong Technology** Ensure that the community's infrastructure includes a technology system that will allow for the effective and economical opportunity for all residents and businesses, and the City's municipal operation to have high speed access to the internet throughout the community.
- <u>Electronic Commerce with City Hall</u> Create virtual 24-hour City Hall in all service areas
- <u>Engaged Citizens</u> Ensure City residents and businesses are engaged in matters of local importance and have opportunities to become involved in local democracy and building community.

COMMUNITY/FOCAL POINT

- <u>Community Center</u> Construct a Community Center that will become a major focal point and gathering place for the community.
- Strong Library/Media Center Presence Maintain a strong library presence in the community.
- Enhancement of Cultural, Performing, and Fine Arts Establish performing, cultural, and fine arts as high priority development focuses for the community.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

• <u>Celebrate Diversity</u> Recognize and celebrate cultural diversity throughout the community.