

An Ordinance of the City of Plano, Texas, adopting the Comprehensive Plan 2021, to promote sound development of the city and promote public health, safety and welfare; repealing the Interim Comprehensive Plan adopted by Ordinance No. 2020-8-2; providing a severability clause, and establishing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the City of Plano strives to preserve and enhance the high quality of life, unique community character, and fiscal well-being offered to those who live or work in Plano; and

WHEREAS, the City of Plano strives to promote good governance through innovation, efficiency, transparency, and public involvement in all aspects of its community planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Plano seeks to promote sound development of the city and promote public health, safety and welfare through its comprehensive plan, pursuant to Section 213.001, Local Government Code, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive plan is a guideline that establishes a general plan for the long-range development of the city, which Plan does not limit the ability of the City of Plano to prepare other plans, policies, or strategies as required; and

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2015, by Ordinance No. 2015-10-9, the City Council adopted the Plano Tomorrow Plan as the city's comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 2019, by Resolution No. 2019-11-2(R), the City Council appointed sixteen Plano residents to serve as the ad-hoc Comprehensive Plan Review Committee to review the Plano Tomorrow Plan and, working with the Planning & Zoning Commission, recommend updates to address community concerns related to the topics of land use, transportation, density, and growth management; and

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2020, by Ordinance 2020-8-1, the City Council repealed the Plano Tomorrow Plan and by Ordinance 2020-8-2 adopted the comprehensive plan in place on October 11, 2015, immediately before adoption of the Plano Tomorrow Plan and thereafter known as the Interim Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee held 34 meetings between January 11, 2020, and September 28, 2021, to discuss and approve various updates to the comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed, discussed, and approved various updates to the comprehensive plan at 13 meetings between August 3, 2020, and September 7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan 2021 website has been available for public review in a draft form since June 4, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2021, by Ordinance 2021-9-30 codified in Section 16-4 of the City of Plano Code of Ordinances, the City Council adopted a Findings Policy that requires the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council make specific findings when approving certain zoning cases that do not conform to the mix of uses, density, or building heights in the Future Land Use Dashboards of the comprehensive plan. The Findings Policy allows the public to review and understand the reasoning behind the approval and provides greater transparency to the deliberative process on those land use decisions, such policy to take effect on the date this ordinance becomes effective; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee and the Planning & Zoning Commission both approved the comprehensive plan updates by a unanimous vote of those present; and

WHEREAS, an online survey was made available for the public to comment on the draft Comprehensive Plan 2021 between October 1, 2021, and October 18, 2021, and received over 1,000 responses; and

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2021, a Telephone Town Hall and CPRC Meet & Greet event were held to allow the public to ask questions and provide comment on the proposed Comprehensive Plan 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on November 8, 2021, open to persons wishing to give testimony, present written evidence, and comment on the proposed Comprehensive Plan 2021; and

WHEREAS, the primary format of the Comprehensive Plan 2021 is a publicly accessible website (www.PlanoCompPlan.org); and

WHEREAS, for legal purposes, including but not limited to compliance with the Local Government Code Section 211.004 and Chapter 213, the Comprehensive Plan 2021 shall consist of the documents attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, having been presented the proposed Comprehensive Plan 2021, upon full review and consideration thereof, and all matters attendant and related thereto, is of the opinion that the Comprehensive Plan 2021 should be approved, adopted, and utilized by the City of Plano.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS, THAT:

Section I. The findings set forth above are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

Section II. The primary format of the Comprehensive Plan 2021 shall be a publicly accessible website (www.PlanoCompPlan.org) that will allow for future amendments to be efficiently incorporated.

Section III. For legal purposes, including but not limited to compliance with the Local Government Code Section 211.004 and Chapter 213, the comprehensive plan is hereby approved and adopted consisting of the documents attached as Exhibit A, and incorporated into the body of this Ordinance.

Section IV. The Interim Comprehensive Plan, adopted by Ordinance No. 2020-8-2, including all elements, maps, policy statements, and all additions and amendments thereto, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section V. The City of Plano has the ability to prepare other plans, policies, or strategies as required in accordance with Section 213.004, Local Government Code.

Section VI. The City Manager shall be authorized to implement continual maintenance and periodic technical updates of the Comprehensive Plan 2021 to adjust such items as facts, figures, inventories, and descriptions or graphic depictions of existing conditions, and to correct scrivener's errors.

Section VII. The Comprehensive Plan Review Committee, an ad-hoc committee having completed its stated tasks and responsibilities, is now dissolved.

Section VIII. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any other remaining phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance.

Section IX. From the opening of business the day after the effective date of this Ordinance, all newly filed petitions for a change in zoning or an amendment or change to the existing provisions of the Zoning Ordinance will be reviewed under the comprehensive plan adopted by this Ordinance as attached in Exhibit A.

Section X. This ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021.

John B. Muns, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lisa C. Henderson, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Paige Mims, CITY ATTORNEY