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News Release

Trenton Seeks Resident Input on Comprehensive Plan

Trenton, Ill. – The City of Trenton Planning Commission and city staff have been working with HeartLands Conservancy to create the Trenton 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The comprehensive plan, also known as a general plan, master plan or land use plan, is a document designed to guide the future actions of a community.

- It presents a vision for the future; with long-range goals and objectives.
- Planning helps to ensure that future land use and growth is consistent with the vision citizens of the city have on important issues.
- It is not a Zoning Ordinance or Subdivision Regulations.

An early part of the planning process was a community survey released at the end of last year. There were 142 surveys submitted from November 3 to December 31, 2020. The in-depth survey covered a wide range of topics from business to recreation to safety. Feedback from the survey was used to create the Vision, Goals and Future Land Use Plan for the Trenton 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

Again the City is requesting resident feedback. A website and interactive map have been created so that residents can review the Plan and submit their feedback using an online comment form. For more information about the comprehensive plan and how to access the interactive map and leave your comment visit the City of Trenton's website, www.trentonil.org, or scan the QR code.

The online interactive map explores the details of "9 Big Moves" to accomplish Trenton's 2040 Vision to be a community characterized by inclusiveness, connectivity, ingenuity and growth. Residents are invited to explore the interactive map and leave their comments. Comments will be accepted through April 8, 2021 and will be used to make any final adjustments to the 2040 Comprehensive Plan before it is reviewed and adopted by the City Council.

HeartLands Conservancy estimates that if Trenton continues to attract families the population of Trenton could grow to between 3,000 and 4,000 people by 2040. The Comprehensive Plan will provide an organized way to anticipate and shape changes for the benefit of the community and its future. A well-developed plan will guide future improvements so Trenton remains a great place to live, work and thrive.



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