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Hancock County Comprehensive Plan
Steering Committee #2
December 3, 2021

AGENDA

1. Call to Order (Jack Parker)
2. Approve Meeting #1 Summary (Jack Parker)
3. Welcome Discussion (Mary Gibble)
4. Overview of Key Findings (Vandewalle)
5. Committee Discussion
6. What's Next?
7. Adjournment

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Future Hancock Steering Committee Members & Role

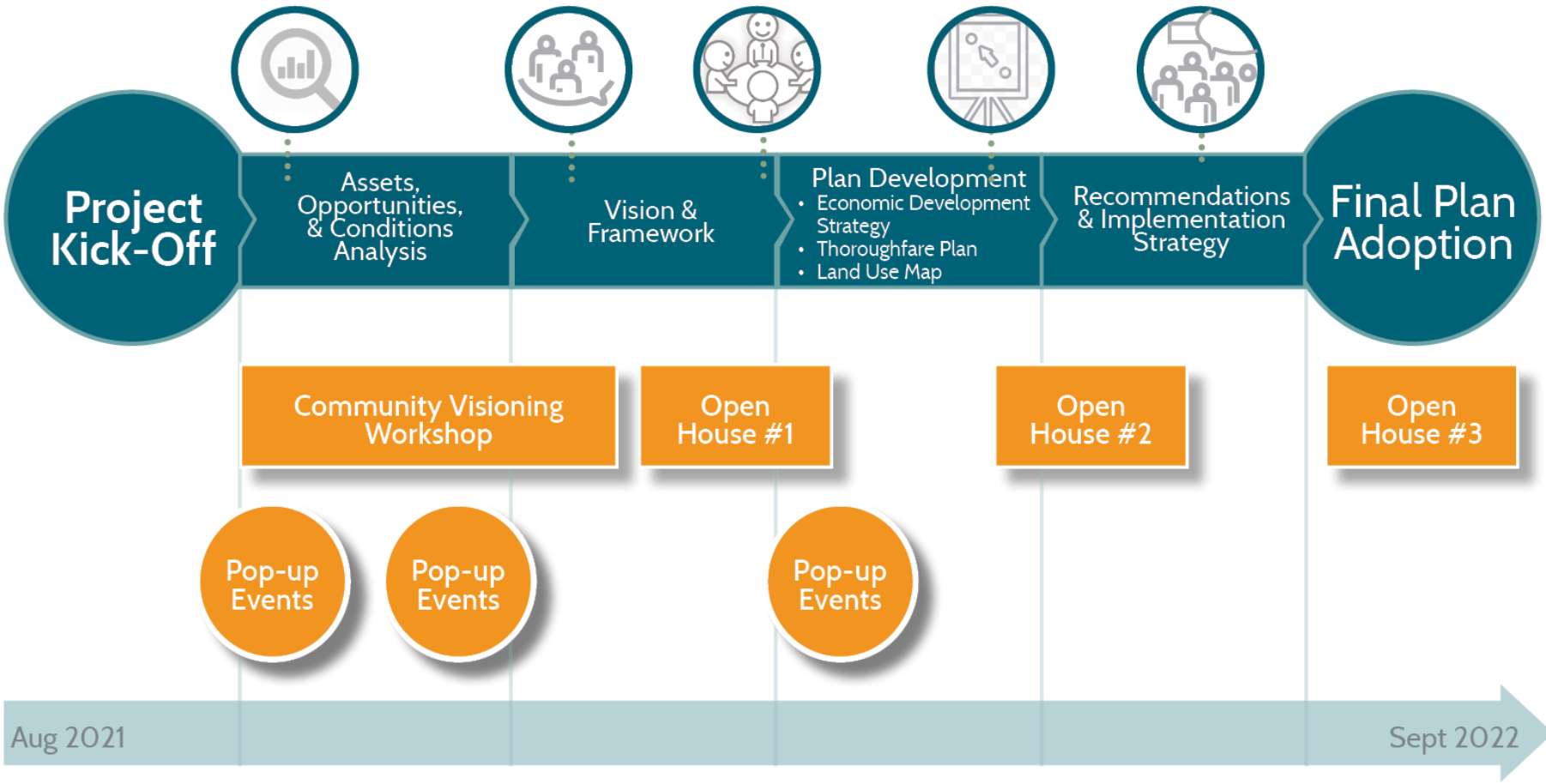
ROLE:

- Serve as a **liaison** to constituent groups to increase awareness of the planning efforts & **promote the plan process** with the community
- **Review** content and material & provide **feedback and direction** at key milestones
- Act in an steering capacity to the **Plan Commission and County Council**

- **MARY GIBBLE**, Co-Chair, Community Foundation Rep.
- **DR. JACK PARKER**, Co-Chair, Schools Rep.
- **BILL SPALDING**, County Commissioner Rep.
- **APRIL FISHER**, Economic Development Rep.
- **PAT HALEY**, Spring Lake Rep.
- **JONATHAN SPARKS**, Agriculture/Rural Community Rep.
- **MIKE BURROW**, NineStar Connect Rep.
- **JEANNINE GRAY**, County Council Member
- **STEVE LONG**, Hancock Regional Health Rep.
- **JASON FAUCETT**, Shirley Rep.
- **RYAN MAXFIELD**, Airport Rep.

PLANNING PROCESS

HANCOCK COUNTY, IN
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PLANNING PROCESS



What has been completed

1. BUILD AWARENESS

- Project Website
- Post cards
- Booth at Riley Festival & Pumpkins & Peddlers
- Community Tours

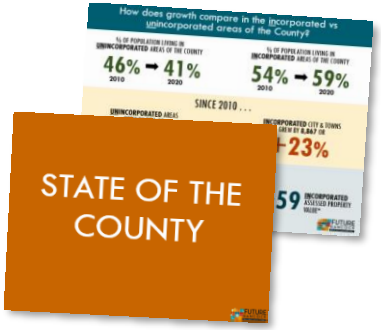
2. HELD TARGETED, ELEMENT SPECIFIC STAKEHOLDER GROUPS DISCUSSIONS

- Civic & Non-profit
- Tourism & Chambers of Commerce & Main Street
- Public Safety Providers
- Schools & Education
- Elected Officials & City, Towns Planners & Managers
- Commercial/Industrial/Housing Developers
- HEDC, IEDC

3. HELD THE FUTURE HANCOCK VISIONING WORKSHOP

- 80+ attendees

4. COLLECTED INITIAL BASELINE DATA TO UNDERSTAND CONDITIONS & TRENDS



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STATE OF THE COUNTY

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Who lives in Hancock County?

79,840

2020 Hancock County Population

+44% since 2000

89%

WHITE

Not Hispanic

11%

NON-WHITE

Hispanic

40.5 2019 Median Age

2010 Median Age – **39 years**

$74,072 2019 Median HH Income

2010 Median HH Income – **$61K**

Source: 2020 Decennial Census; 2019 ACS 1-Year Estimates

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How does growth compare in the incorporated vs unincorporated areas of the County?

% OF POPULATION LIVING IN **UNINCORPORATED** AREAS OF THE COUNTY

46% → **41%**

2010 2020

% OF POPULATION LIVING IN **INCORPORATED** AREAS OF THE COUNTY

54% → **59%**

2010 2020

SINCE 2010 . . .

UNINCORPORATED AREAS GREW BY **971** OR

+3%

INCORPORATED CITY & TOWNS GREW BY **8,867** OR

+23%

SINCE 2012 . . .

+38% **COUNTYWIDE** ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUE*

+59 **INCORPORATED** ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUE*

Source: 2020 Decennial Census; Indiana Gateway

*Certified Net Assessed Value = assessed value of property minus any deductions, exemptions, and TIF impact

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Local Employment Dynamics, 2019

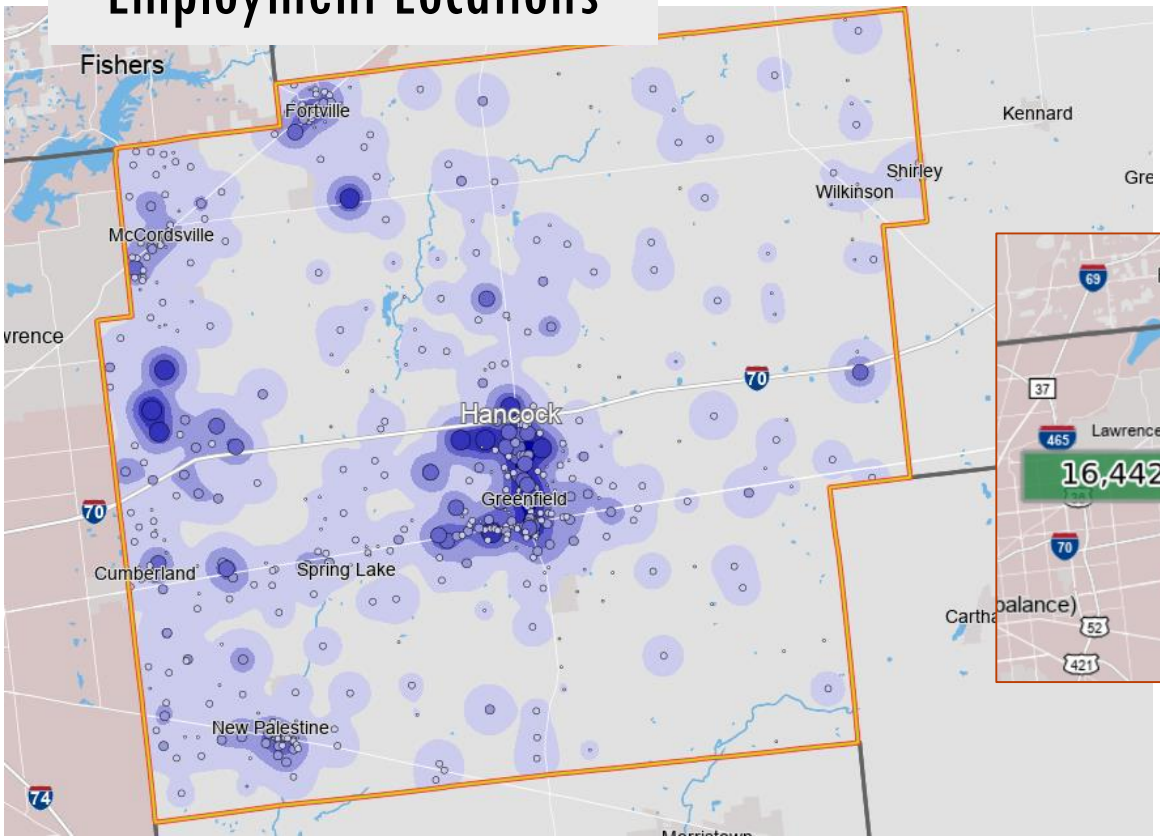
24,925
JOBS in Hancock County

66%
NON-COUNTY RESIDENTS
(16,442)

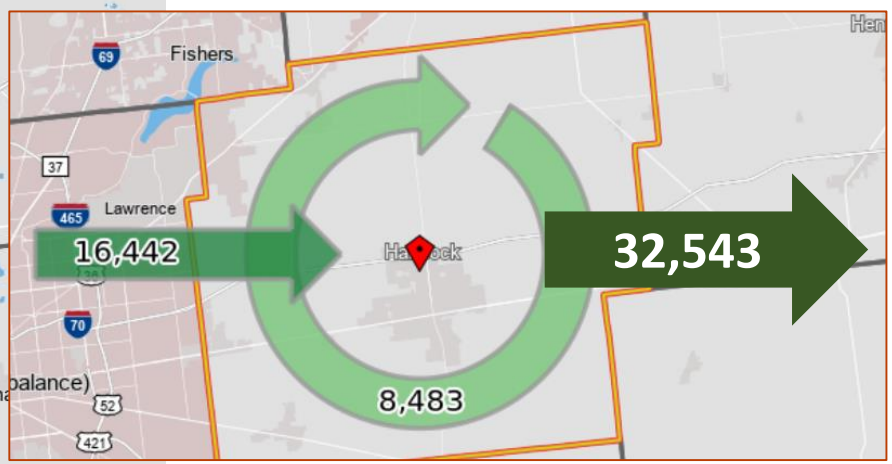
34%
COUNTY RESIDENTS
(8,483)

+7,609
JOBS ADDED 2002-2019

Employment Locations



79%
County's workforce works in **other Counties**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (Beginning of Quarter Employment, 2nd Quarter of 2002-2019).

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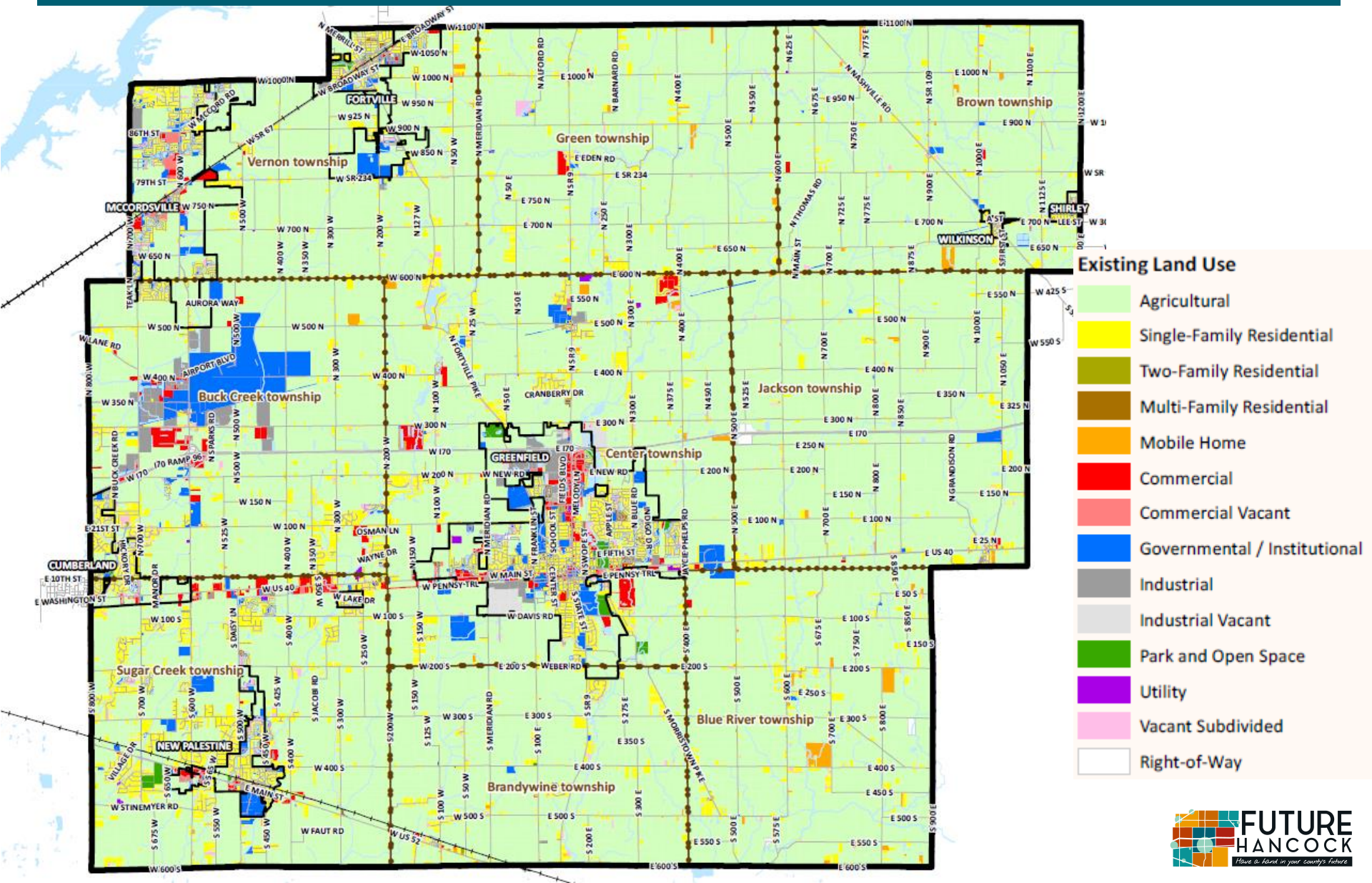
Land Use Snapshot



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Land Use Mix

LAND USE TYPE	TOTAL COUNTY ACREAGE	SHARE	UNINCORPORATED ACREAGE	SHARE
Agricultural	**155,204**	**79%**	**148,612**	**84%**
Single-Family Residential	**18,912**	**10%**	**14,335**	**8%**
Right-of-Way	6,468	3%	4,591	3%
Governmental / Institutional	5,553	3%	3,589	2%
Commercial	2,400	1%	1,408	1%
Industrial	1,732	1%	1,002	1%
Other	6,092	3%	3,992	2%

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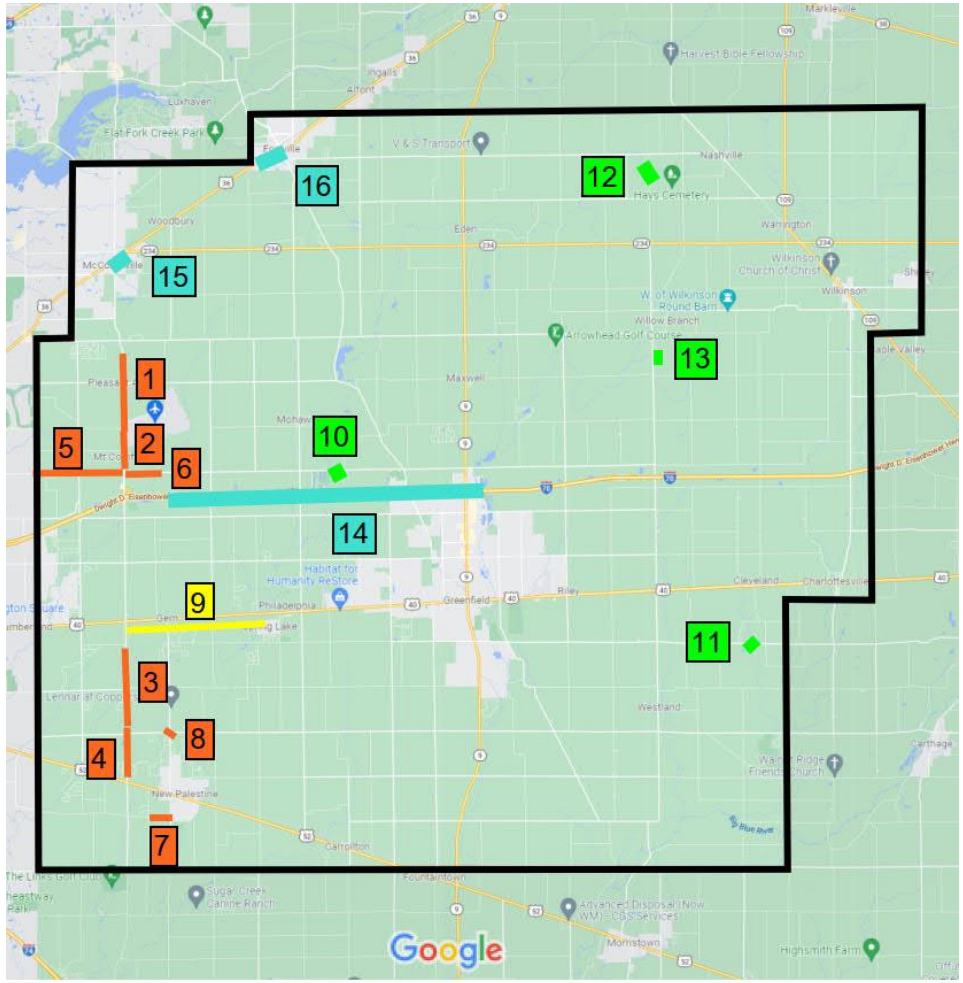
Planned Road Improvements



Number	Projects Through 2026
1	600W from 400N to 550N Widening
2	600W from 300N to 400N Widening
3	600W From Broken Arrow to 300S Widening
4	600W from BR 145 to CSX Widening
5	300N from 600W to 700W Widening
6	300N From 600W to 500W Widening
7	Steinmeyer Road Extension
8	Roundabout at Gem and 300S
9	Pennsy Trail Extension
10	Bridge 62 Replacement
11	Bridge 95 Replacement
12	Bridge 18 Replacement
13	Bridge 36 Replacement
14	I-70 Added Travel Lanes
15	US 36 Intersection Improvement
16	US 36 Road Reconstruction

= County Sponsored Road Projects

= County Sponsored Trail Project

= County Sponsored Bridge Replacements

= INDOT Sponsored Prospects

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State of the County: A Few Takeaways…

- Hancock County has been **steadily growing** above the regional growth
- **Towns are growing faster** than the unincorporated areas of the County
- Growing **disconnect between jobs available and workforce available**
- Lag in **infrastructure improvements**
- Still maintain **higher home values and income**
- Tax base **not very diverse**
- **80% of the land** is still in **agricultural** production

Full State of the County Presentation can be found:
https://futurehancock.com/get-involved

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PUBLIC INPUT
BRIEF OVERVIEW

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Focus Groups – Initial Themes

- Strong sense of community with invested residents
- Regional location is an asset
  - Provides rural and town settings
  - Proximity to Indianapolis
  - Access to workforce
  - I-70E
- Lacking quality of life amenities
- Housing is a major need for the county
- Transportation infrastructure to keep up with growth
- Ag based industry sectors to leverage

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Community Questionnaire

Collected input through Online Survey, Pop-up events, and Project website comment box, and small-town tours/conversations.

160+ participants

- **Topic: Hancock County in the Future** – *Key Words*
  - Small
  - Community
  - Rural
  - Quiet
  - Growth
  - Family
  - Inclusive
  - Diverse
  - Development
  - Vibrant

Community Questionnaire

Topic: Changes + Opportunities Topic

Question prompted **326 comments** regarding changes respondents would like to see in Hancock County.

- Economic Development + Prosperity (31% of total comments)
- Land Use + Development (27% of total comments)
- Transportation (21% of total comments)
- Public Facilities + Services (7% of total comments)
- Natural Resources + Agriculture (3% of total comments)
- Other (11% of total comments)

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Future Hancock Vision Workshop – Nov. 9th

Purpose: Focus on the Future, Hopes & Aspirations → will inform Vision & Framework

- **90+** Participants
- Held a series of Individual & Group Exercises
  - Polling Questions
  - Opportunities + Challenges Questionnaire
  - Identifying Priorities Questionnaire
  - Mapping Exercise
- Generated over **900 comments**

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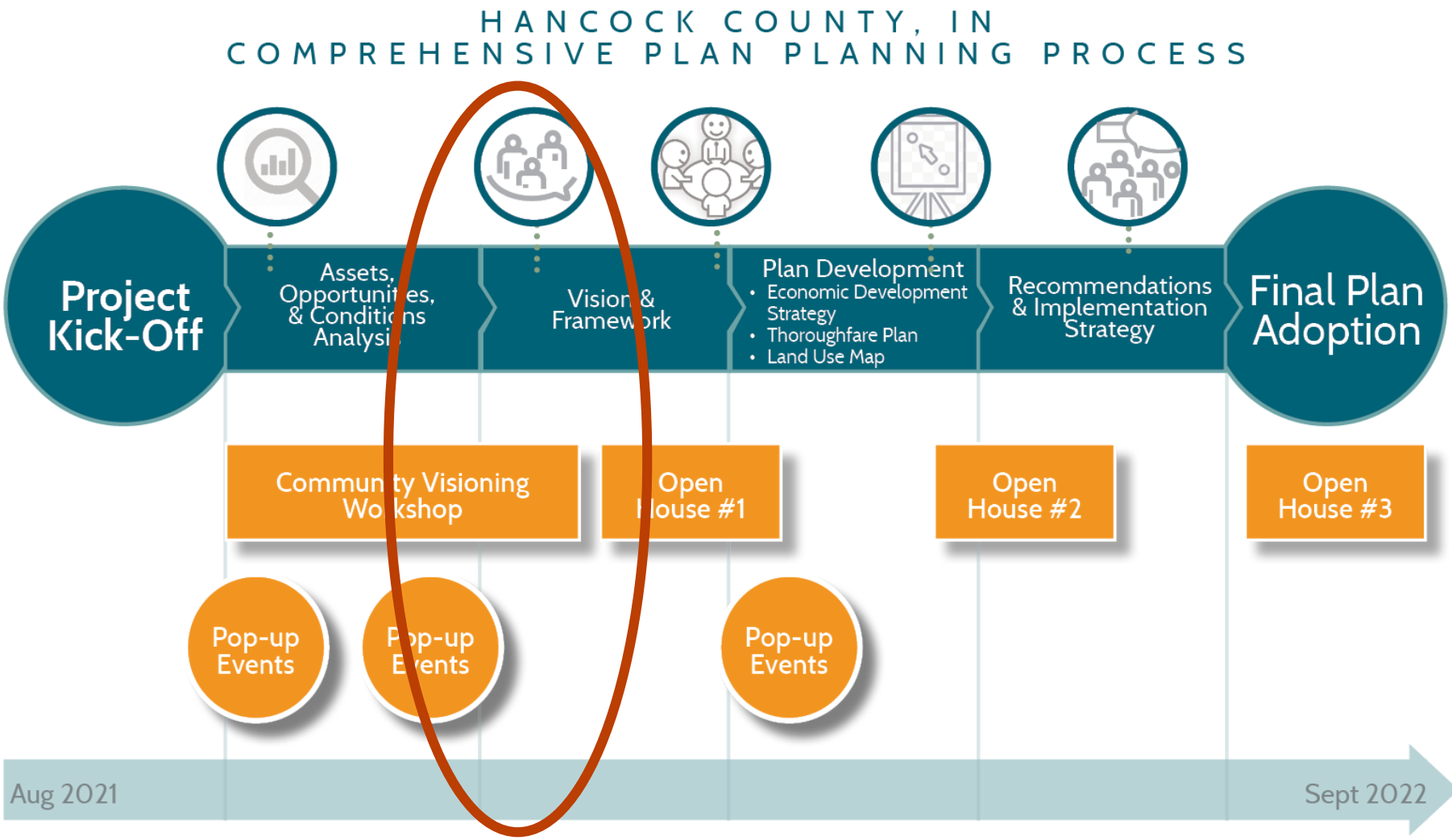

GROUP DISCUSSION

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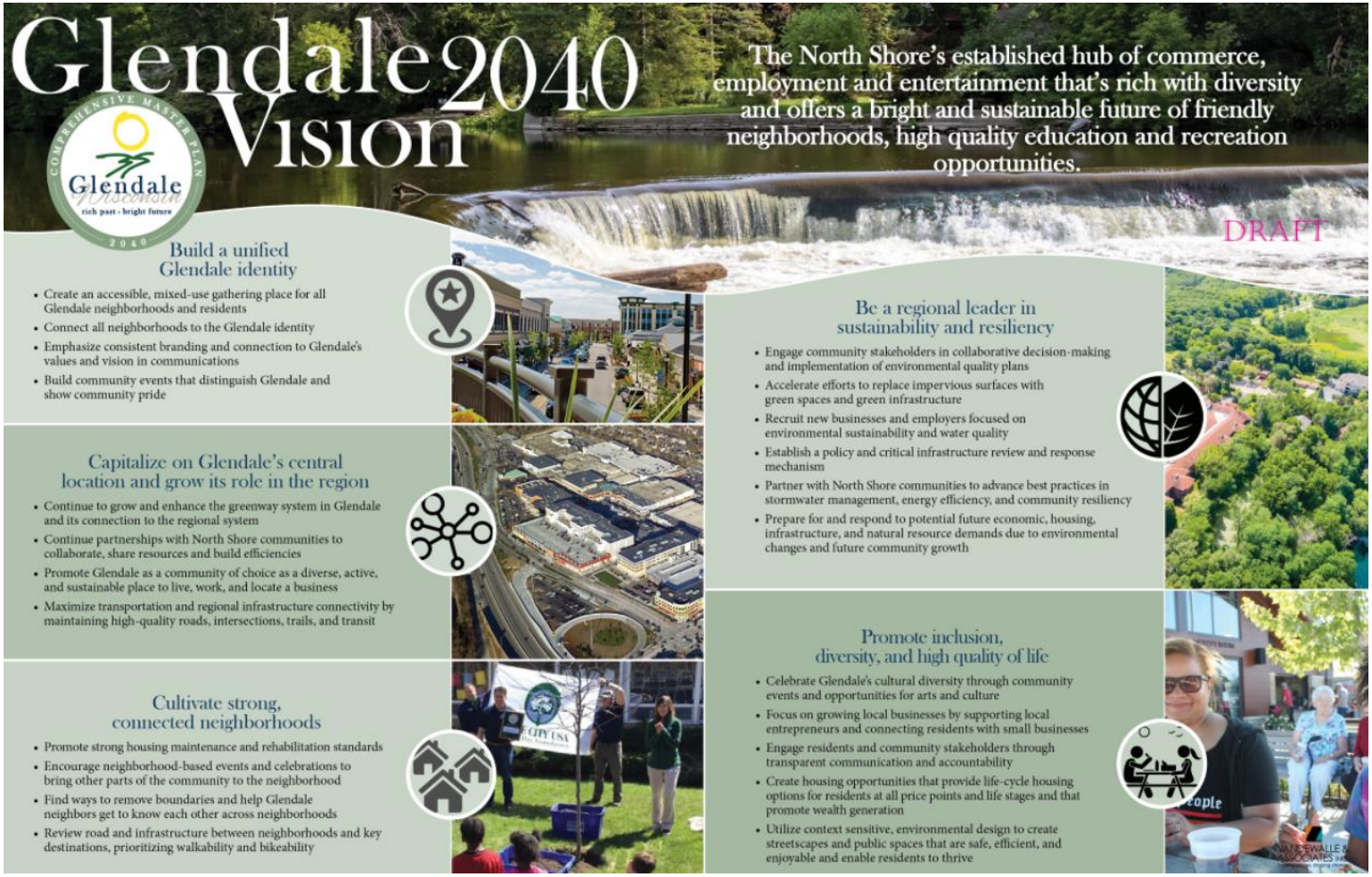
Construction of a Vision & Framework



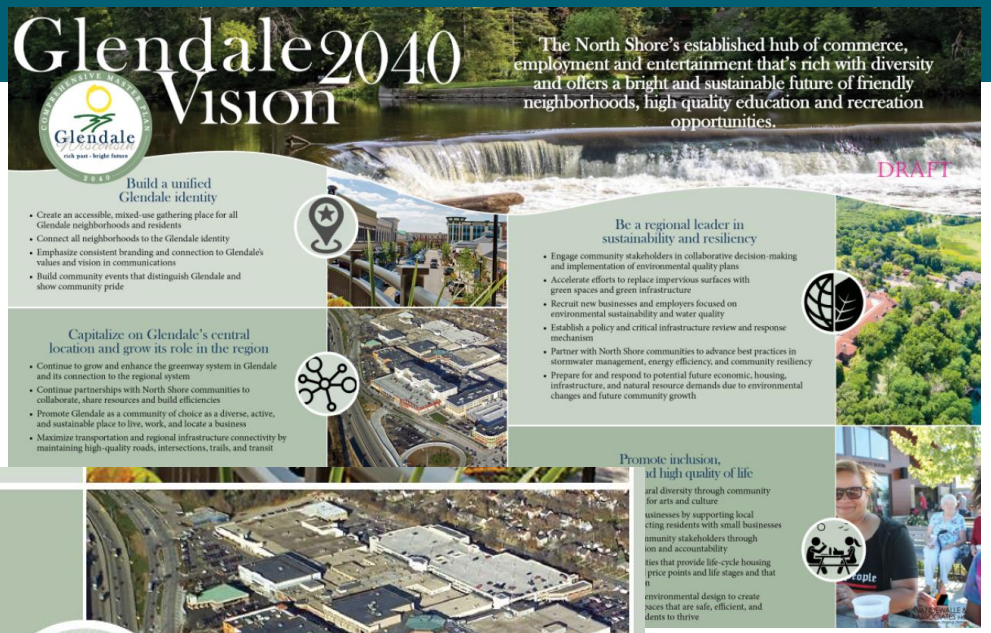
VISION

FRAMEWORK

Vision

The North Shore's established hub of commerce, employment and entertainment that's rich with diversity and offers a bright and sustainable future of friendly neighborhoods, high quality education and recreation opportunities.

Framework



Capitalize on Glendale's central location and grow its role in the region

- Continue to grow and enhance the greenway system in Glendale and its connection to the regional system
- Continue partnerships with North Shore communities to collaborate, share resources and build efficiencies
- Promote Glendale as a community of choice as a diverse, active, and sustainable place to live, work, and locate a business
- Maximize transportation and regional infrastructure connectivity by maintaining high-quality roads, intersections, trails, and transit

From what you've heard to date and your own experience . . .

1. WHAT THEMES/ISSUES ARE RESONATING WITH YOU?

2. WHAT OTHER THEMES OR ISSUES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR THE FRAMEWORK?

FRAMEWORK = *serves as a foundation for the Comprehensive Plan elements, identifying key themes and principles that then drive recommendations.*

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1. WHAT ASPIRATIONS AND ATTRIBUTES ARE RESONATING WITH YOU?

2. WHAT ARE OTHER EMERGING ASPIRATIONAL COMPONENTS THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR THE VISION?

Vision *= aspirational and identifiable community descriptors*

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REPORT OUT

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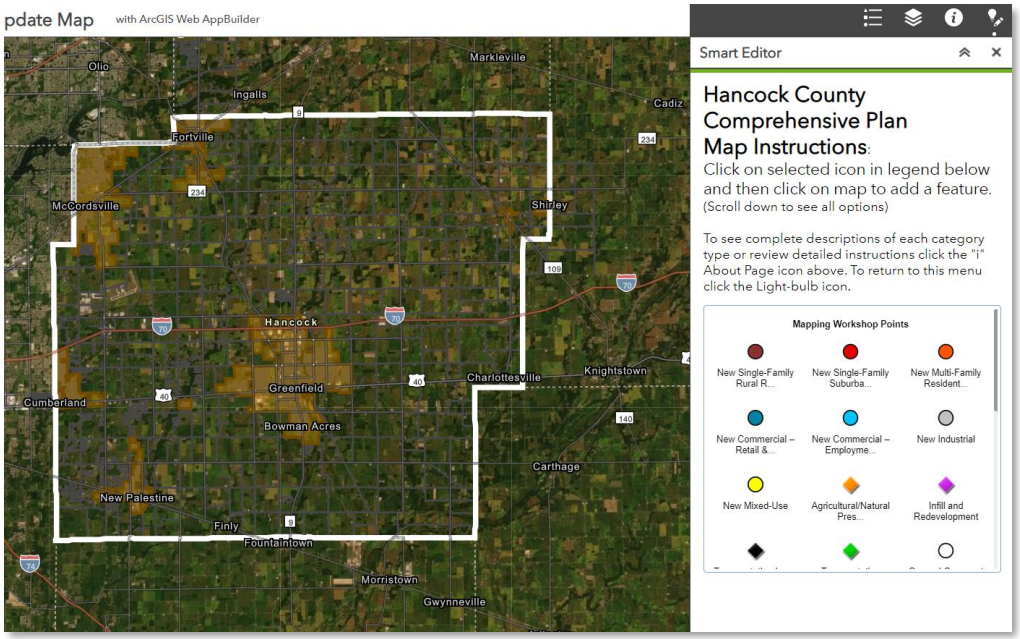
Next Steps for Steering Committee

1. **SHARE PACKAGED PRESENTATION!**
2. **ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO PARTICIPATE IN <u>FUTURE HANCOCK VIRTUAL WORKSHOP</u>!**

- Complete the online **Survey** and **Mapping Exercise at** FutureHancock.com
- **Encourage** coworker, friends, and family to participate!
- **Share** the Project Website



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Packaged Presentation

Purpose: provide Committee with a PowerPoint presentation to various groups and organizations to **continue building awareness** of the Comprehensive Plan process and **encourage people to participate in the Future Hancock Virtual Vision Workshop** as well as additional engagement opportunities.

Other Materials:

- Project Postcard
- 10-min Presentation
- 20-min Presentation

POTENTIAL AUDIENCES TO TARGET:

- Kiwanis Clubs
- Rotary Clubs
- Lions Club
- Agricultural Organization (Farm Bureau, 4-H Clubs, FFA, Hoosier Harvest Council)
- Fraternal Lodges (Elks, Moose)
- Corresponding Organization Boards

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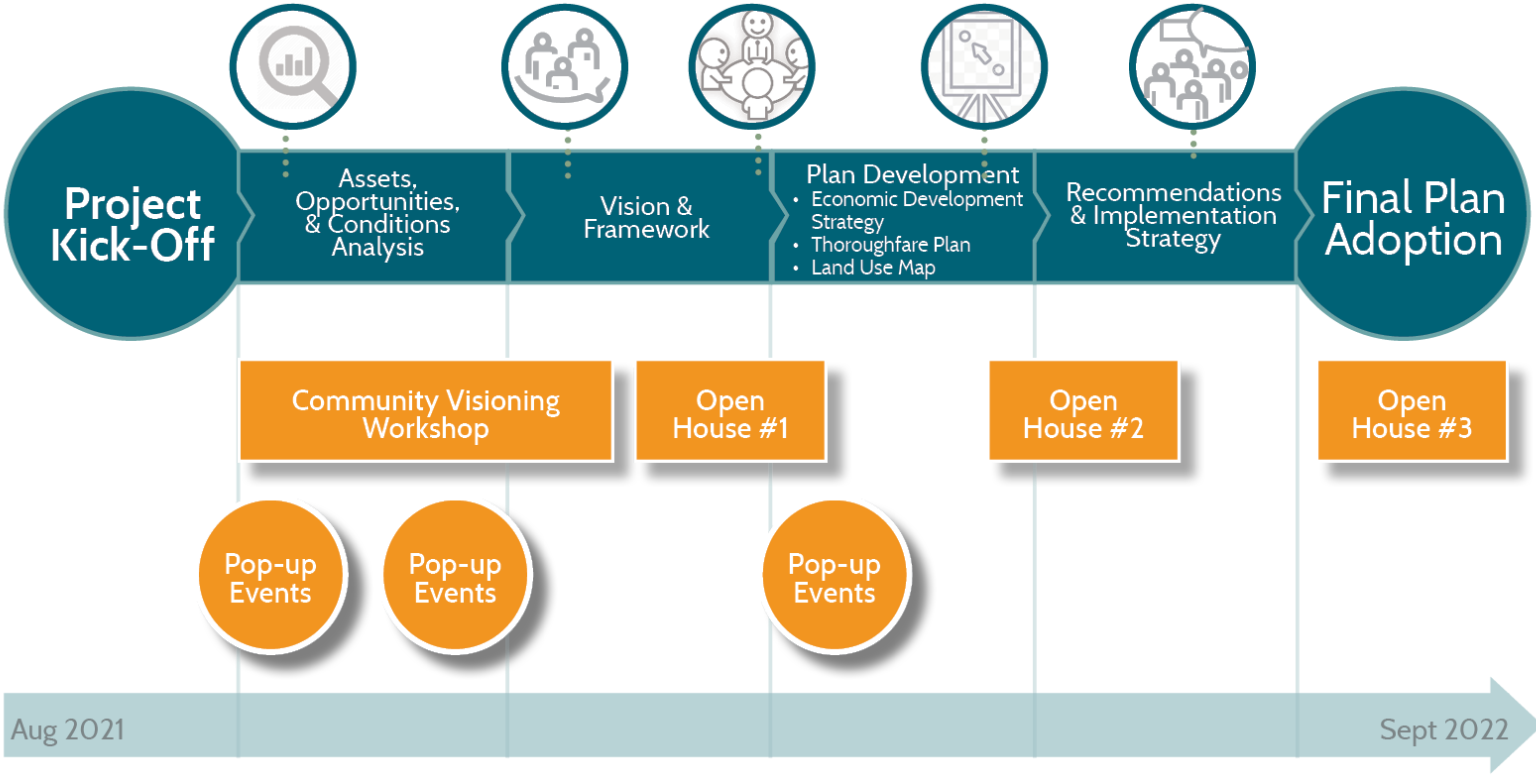
What's Next?

- Close Survey December 17th
- Summarize Input
- Virtual Steering Committee Check-In – January 7th
- Develop Draft Vision & Strategic Framework – January 2022
- Open House #1 to Review Vision & Framework – January 2022
- Drafts Late February



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Steering Committee Schedule

	MEETINGS	DATE
1	**Steering Committee Meeting #1**	Friday, Aug 13th, 2021
2	**Virtual Zoom Updates**	Tuesday, Oct 5th, 2021
3	Focus Group Meetings	October 2021
4	Pop-up Events & Community Visits/Tours	October 15th-17th, 2021
5	Community Visioning Workshop	Tuesday, November 9th
6	**Steering Committee Meeting #2**	Friday, Dec 3rd, 2021
7	**Virtual Zoom Updates**	Friday, Jan 7th, 2021
8	Plan Commission Meeting #1 / Open House #1 (Date TBD)	Tuesday, Jan 25th, 2022
9	**Steering Committee #3**	Friday, March 4th, 2022
10	Open House #2	Late April 2022
11	**Virtual Zoom Updates**	Friday, May 6th, 2022
12	**Steering Committee #4**	Friday, June 24th, 2022
13	Plan Commission Meeting #2 & Public Hearing	Tuesday, August 9th, 2022
14	Open House #3	Tuesday, August 9th, 2022
15	County Board of Commissioners Meeting	Tuesday, Sept 6th, 2021

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