

A. Themes and Draft Goals

Citizen Topic Group: Transportation

As part of Imagine Columbia's Future, Citizen Topic Groups reviewed the ideas for the future generated by the public, identified subtopics for organizing these ideas, formed subtopic groups, identified themes emerging from the ideas, and generated draft subtopic goals that reflect that aspirations of the community. These draft goals will be presented to the public at the April 4th Exploring the Vision Workshop for feedback.

This document includes all of the output that has been received from your Citizen Topic Group (CTG) to this point. The first one to two pages list your agreed-upon subtopics, draft goals for each subtopic, and notes from the consultant that offer an overall assessment of the work of your CTG. The following pages provide a record of the work of each subtopic group, including identified themes, draft goal statements, and any preliminary strategies or notes that the subtopic group has submitted. (Minutes have not been included.) Any gaps in this information indicate that the consultant has not received all of your group's output.

The draft goals have been revised by ACP-Visioning and Planning, Ltd. for clarity and consistency, as necessary. The original goal and ACP's suggested revisions are clearly designated in the material provided for each subtopic. In cases where no draft goals were submitted, ACP prepared draft goals using the themes provided by the subtopic group as a guide. At the third CTG meeting, subtopic groups will review these draft goals, and will have the opportunity to accept, revise, or rewrite them.

List of Agreed Upon Subtopics

1. Non-motorized transportation
2. Advance planning and development
3. Road network and traffic management
4. Public transportation

Draft Goals by Subtopic

The following draft goals were developed by the Citizen Topic Group, and have been edited by the consultant for consistency and clarity when necessary.

Non-motorized transportation

In the future, Columbia will enjoy a safe, interconnected, non-motorized transportation network. It will be culturally supported by the citizens as it will encourage social interaction and healthy lifestyles. The roadway and public transit infrastructure will be shaped equitably with the non-motorized transportation network.

Advance planning and development

In the future, there will be diverse travel options that allow for safe and efficient travel to and through destination points, which are compatible with adjacent land uses, and are coordinated with the transportation timing needs of the community.

Road network and traffic management

A network of safe roadways in and around the city will provide sustainable, efficient mobility to vehicular travel and other modes in a complementary manor.

Public transportation

A strong, integrated, accessible, public transportation system in Columbia will extend to surrounding communities. It will be possible to live easily in Columbia without owning a car.

Notes/Assessment by ACP – Visioning and Planning, Ltd.

- Generally, the transportation group is doing very well.
- Two subtopic groups – Advance planning and development and Road network and traffic management – may want to meet to avoid potential duplication of efforts.

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Sub-Topic: Non-Motorized Transportation

Original List of Themes from Kick-off / Adopted at Meeting #2

1. Safe
2. Convenient to use
3. Interconnected network
4. Accessibility
5. Culturally supported
6. Promote healthy lifestyles
7. Allows social interaction

Draft Goal

In the future, Columbia will enjoy a safe, interconnected, non-motorized transportation network. It will be culturally supported by the citizens as it will encourage social interaction and healthy lifestyles. The roadway and public transit infrastructure will be shaped equitably with the non-motorized transportation network.

Suggested Revision from ACP – Visioning and Planning, Ltd.

No changes. Great goal.

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Sub-Topic: Advance Planning and Development

Original List of Themes from Kick-off / Adopted at Meeting #2

1. Timing of roads and development
2. Identify development corridors
3. Efficient travel
4. To and thru concepts
5. Coordinated land use / roads
6. Serving all modes of transportation
7. Safety

Draft Goal

Original: In the future there will be diverse travel options that allow for safe and efficient travel to and through points of destination compatible with adjacent land uses coordinated with the transportation timing needs of the community.

Revised during Meeting #2: In the future, there will be diverse travel options that allow for safe and efficient travel to and through destination points, which are compatible with adjacent land uses and are coordinated with the transportation timing needs of the community.

Suggested Revision from ACP – Visioning and Planning, Ltd.

In the future, there will be diverse travel options that allow for safe and efficient travel to and through destination points, which are compatible with adjacent land uses and are coordinated with the transportation timing needs of the community.

Preliminary Strategies

1. Increase communication of large traffic generators with Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization (CATSO). Provide a seat in the discussion group for school district, hospital, university, and residential developers.
2. Create more attractive East and West, North to South traffic route choices to relieve traffic from current overloaded streets / highways.
3. Develop dedicated funding sources to
 - a. Identify routes
 - b. Preserve right-of-way
 - c. Perform advance construction of roads
4. Develop delivery zones or develop restricted delivery times for central business district.
5. Better identify points of origin and points of destination of local traffic.
6. Receive report from city traffic modeling program and Mo DOT's to determine its capacity and limitations.
7. [This is cut off]

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Sub-Topic: Road Network and Traffic Management

Original List of Themes from Kick-off

1. Efficient traffic arteries
2. Improve major road network
3. Highway around the city
4. Provide financing for new roadways
5. Reduce downtown congestion
6. More efficient intersections
7. Traffic law enforcement

Revised List of Themes from Citizen Topic Meeting #2

1. Efficient traffic arteries
2. Improve major road network
3. Highway around the city
4. Provide financing for new roadways
5. Reduce downtown congestion
6. More efficient intersections
7. Traffic law enforcement
8. Safety
9. Sustainability

Draft Goal

Original: Develop funding sources for new roadways in and around the city to reduce traffic congestion and make automobile travel more efficient.

Revised during Meeting #2: A network of safe roadways in and around the city providing sustainable efficient mobility to vehicular travel and other modes in a complementary manor.

Suggested Revision from ACP – Visioning and Planning, Ltd.

A network of safe roadways in and around the city will provide sustainable, efficient mobility to vehicular travel and other modes in a complementary manor.

Preliminary Strategies

1. Increase dedicated public funding sources and semi-private sources allowed by State law
2. Improve regional coordinated planning operations, maintenance (MoDOT, City, County)
3. Use technology to improve traffic management
4. Improve road network at same time as development
5. Educate public (funding, safety, technology, sustainability)
6. Protect infrastructure investments with smart access management
7. Embrace complementary modes of travel

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Sub-Topic: Public Transportation

Original List of Themes from Kick-off / Adopted at Meeting #2

1. In city transportation
2. Regional transportation
3. Universal accessibility
4. Increased / enhanced service
5. Networking of different transportation systems
6. Clean technology

Draft Goal

We envision a strong, integrated, accessible, public transportation system in Columbia that could extend to surrounding communities. It should be possible to live easily in Columbia without owning a car.

Suggested Revision from ACP – Visioning and Planning, Ltd.

A strong, integrated, accessible, public transportation system in Columbia will extend to surrounding communities. It will be possible to live easily in Columbia without owning a car.