

## Group Results of Community Analysis and Visioning- June 30, 2008 2030 Comprehensive Plan- City of Brooklyn Center

**I.** What do you consider to be the best features, characteristics, aspects of Brooklyn Center that should be preserved and enhanced?

Group 1

Parks, trails, Mississippi River

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City Management's effectiveness

Sense of neighborhood (needs to be maintained)

Proximity to downtown Minneapolis

Freeway access

Neighborhood schools, basic to neighborhood strength

Diversity can be positive

Owner-occupied housing builds strength in diversity

Mass transit

**library Center** 

#### Group 2

Preserve balance of quality housing and commercial property with emphasis on better utilization/maximizing commercially zoned property (perhaps expanding somewhat). Clean accessible water spaces for all to enjoy; ensure public access preserved/improved Improve traffic flow and access to City Center and neighborhoods; improve public pathways; increase "green belting" at all traffic points/paths

#### Group 3

Earle Brown Conference Center- preserve and enhance

Parks and trails, trail access to the Mississippi River Regional Trails and community playfields

Housing and improvements to all types; creation of upscale housing opportunities

Affordable housing- maintain

Brookdale shopping/commercial opportunities- maintain and enhance

Location-proximity to downtown

#### Group 4

Parks, green space, trails Location, access, mass transit Neighborhoods, single family homes Employment opportunities

2. Of the issues identified in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan (refer to handout), which have been adequately addressed and which remain to be addressed? What issues not identified in the 2020 Comp Plan should be addressed in this Plan?

#### Group 1

Streetscapes improved Brooklyn Blvd.; 57" use as amenity Owner-occupied senior housing Revisit Opportunity Site vision Redevelop stressed rental property Revisit Brookdale vision

Group 2

Consolidate school districts in Brooklyn Center Brookdale economic viability and traffic patterns 57lt> and Logan

Civic Center improvement/expansion

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Brooklyn Blvd. south of 65th- development Multi-family- needs continuous work on maintenance Foreclosed housing issues Promoting the Opportunity Site Preserving elementary school sites

Group 4

Brooklyn Blvd.- overlay

Redevelopment of underutilized sites

**Humboldt Square** 

3. What is your vision of the ideal for Brooklyn Center in the year 2030?

- Group 1

Affordable, safe, comfortable

Slow speed limits on Brooklyn Blvd.

Great parks and trails

Daylight Shingle Creek through Brookdale

Consolidate school district

Increase owner-occupied housing

Family friendly

High-tech service and manufacturingjobs

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Brookdale- viable or redeveloped

Shingle Creek "daylighted"

Senior housing- accessible

**Town Center** 

Opportunity site 100%

Crime level reduced below metro area

Maximize on our great location
Maximize on a diverse tax base
Great schools
Clean, attractive Highway 100
Parks and trails
Bustling Brookdale!

Increase population to 30,000 to 35,000

# Group Results of Community Analysis and Visioning- October 8 &15 2030 Comprehensive Plan- City of Brooklyn Center

1. What do you consider to be the best features, characteristics, aspects of Brooklyn Center that should be preserved and enhanced?

Group 1

Small town atmosphere

Location (close to everything)

Schools

Parks/Trails

Well-built housing

Mississippi River National Park

Huge opportunity sites (close in)

Pride of people

Group 2

**Parks** 

Schools in parks

Proximity to downtown

Solid neighborhoods

Group 3

Linkage of parks and schools

Location of the City- vis-a-vis metro

6 minutes from the new major league baseball field

Preserved/enhanced multi-modal transportation

Mississippi River in a national park and recreation area

Twin Lakes- unique feature

Shingle Creek- ideal feature

Hennepin County Service Center

Trail system- North Mississippi Regional Trail

Less than one mile from North Star Commuter Train (linking city both north and south)

Belvue Park housing development enhanced to Humboldt

Belvue trail redevelopment corridor

Small town feel in large metro area

As a residential community preserve and reinvest in single-family and multi-family housing

Excellent parks enhanced through improved walking and bike trails

Excellent schools, 6 elementary to choose from

Earle Brown Heritage Center

2. Of the issues identified in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan (refer to handout), which have been adequately addressed and which remain to be addressed? What issues not identified in the 2020 Comp Plan should be addressed in this Plan?

Addressed

Group 1:

53rd Ave redo

Sewer/water/curb/gutler/streets

AA bond rating

Metro Transit terminal

#### Brooklyn Blvd. north of 1694

#### Group 2:

Southwest corner of city- Howe Fertilizer and Joslyn sites

Twin Lakes area adjacent

Northbrook has been acquired

252/Regal Theatre

Police station north of BrCen High School

#### **Need Addressing**

Group 1

School funding issues

Opportunity Site/57lh and Logan incomplete

Brookdale very partially redeveloped

#### Group 2

Apartments north of BrCen High School not appealing

Humboldt and 69th not thoroughly addressed

Garden City Elementary/63rd Brooklyn Blvd. for the most part

#### Group 3

Brooklyn Blvd. streetscape

Brooklyn Blvd. exit from 1694-poor appearance and need for better landscaping

Need to work more effectively with the County on co. roads, especially Brooklyn Blvd.

Daylight stormwater

Street beautification

**Brookdale** 

Identification for City- banners or flowers as you enter on Brooklyn Blvd from north or south Senior housing transition from independent living

Seniors in their homes-future support

Future transportation/post conventional automobile transportation

Light rail

Number of low income/poor households

Key sites for development

3. What is your vision of the ideal for Brooklyn Center in the year 2030?

#### Group 1

Redesignate City land between 252 & Camden as part of Evergreen Park & create pedestrian bridge connecting Evergreen to Riverdale

Entertain a City-side school district or ensure we stay a critical element of Anoka #11

Build community! Telling why people live here or want to live here

Creating aesthetic improvements sponsored by citizens/city collaboration

- grants
- funding
- diligence of maintenance

People need to know they can be heard, have a voice & to have a stake in our City

#### Group 2

Higher income housing/step up commercial improvement Improve reputation

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Establish unique identity/distinct from Brooklyn Park Easier transportation to downtown Constructively build community & engage diversity Take advantage of Mississippi River

### Group 3

Increase storm water treatment
Increase number of rain gardens/the right planting low maintenance and right for Minnesota
Multi-modal transport plus more pedestrian friendly
Maintaining trails- bus shelters
Assisting to create community
Strategies to implement goals
Leam from other cities
Major attraction for Brooklyn Center
Image decoupled from Brooklyn Park
Change our name?