

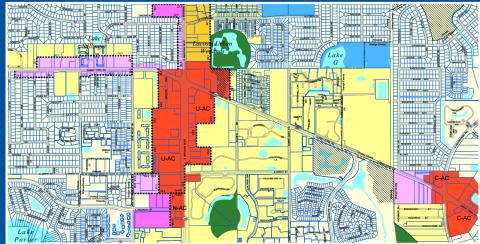
# Overview of 2025 Growth Management Plan (GMP) Refresh

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# The GMP – Our Guiding Document





 www.Orlando.gov/Our-Government/Records-and-Documents/Plans-Studies/Comprehensive-Plan

#### **Components**

- Vision Statement
- Goals, Objectives, Policies (Policy Document)
- Data & Analysis (Support Document)

#### **Elements**

- Future Land Use
- Urban Design
- Transportation
- Housing
- Historic Preservation
- Conservation
- Recreation & Open Space
- Cultural Arts
- Stormwater & Aquifer Recharge
- Potable Water
- Solid Waste
- Intergovernmental Coordination
- Capital Improvements
- Public Schools Facilities
- Property Rights

### **GMP Refresh**

- Every 7 years, we are required to conduct a GMP Evaluation & Appraisal Review (EAR), which the MPB and City Council reviewed in 2023. Minor EAR-based GMP amendments were adopted in Spring 2024.
- There is no state requirement for the proposed 2025 GMP Refresh, but it is most definitely time.
- Our GMP, originally adopted in 1991 and last updated in full in 2012, should be restructured to reflect our community's shared vision for the future.
- The GMP document (currently 1,660+ pages) should be significantly shortened.
- The elements of the GMP should be re-structured into short, easy-to-read and understand chapters tied to the overall vision (we're hoping for less than 600 pages total).
- We should create a more user-friendly, web-based GMP.
- Our Community Engagement Strategy should be targeted to advisory boards, constituent groups, subject area groups/experts, and organized around topics (livability, mobility, conservation & sustainability, infrastructure & governance, etc.).

## **Proposed New GMP Structure**

#### Chapter 1 – Vision Statement & Introduction

(including a new "How To Use This Plan" section)

#### Chapter 2 – A Vibrant, Livable, and Inclusive Community

(Future Land Use, Housing, Preservation & Design, Parks, Recreation & Open Space, Cultural Arts, and Property Rights)

#### **Chapter 3 – Safe and Convenient Mobility Options**

(Transportation/Mobility, Complete Streets, Vision Zero)

#### Chapter 4 – Efficient and Well-Maintained Infrastructure

(Stormwater & Aquifer Recharge, Potable Water, Wastewater (Water Reclamation), and Solid Waste)

# Chapter 5 – A Beautiful and Environmentally-Friendly Community

(Conservation and Sustainability)

#### Chapter 6 – Responsible and Accessible Government

(Capital Improvements, Intergovernmental Coordination, Public School Facilities, and GMP Monitoring & Evaluation)

#### **Technical Support Documents**

#### **Chapter Components**

- Vision: a short section that provides our vision for the Chapter, weaving all the elements together into a cohesive whole.
- Guidance: a bullet list of the documents, plans, regulations, and policies that influence each element.
- **Trends:** the current and anticipated conditions that influence each element; i.e., data & analysis.
- Goals, Objectives, and Policies: the regulatory guidance for each element.
- Maps: includes maps required by Florida statute and that support each element.

The idea is to combine the support and policy documents so that people can see the direct relationship between the vision > guidance > trends > GOPs > Maps, and to make the document more readable and understandable.

## **A Plan of Plans**

#### Technical Support Documents (not printed; webpage links/documents; all in one easy-to-find place)

#### Livability

- 2024-2050 Growth Projections Report
- GMP Indicators Annual Reports (2017-2023)
- Project DTO 2.0 | Downtown Orlando Action Plan
- Livable Orlando: An Age-Friendly Initiative Action Plan 2022-2025
- Parks Master Plan Update 2024/2025
- Regional Affordable Housing Initiative Executive Summary Report (2018)
- Orange County Housing for All 10-Year Action Plan (2019)
- Land Development Code (link to Municode)
- Neighborhood/Vision Plans (13 Plans)

#### Mobility

- Vision Zero Orlando Action Plan
- Complete Streets Strategy
- Orlando Transportation Guidelines
- Orlando Bicycle Plan Update 2020
- Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2045 (MetroPlan Orlando)
- Health Strategic Plan 2022 (MetroPlan Orlando)
- Lynx Transit Development Plan
- ADA Transition Plan

#### Infrastructure

- 2022 Water Supply Facilities (WSF) Work Plan
- Wastewater Master Plan 2022/2023

#### **Environment/Sustainability/Resiliency**

- Green Works Orlando Community Action Plan 2018
- Municipal Operations Sustainability Plan 2017
- Orlando and the Sustainable Development Goals: A Voluntary Local Review of Progress (United Nations SDGs; 2021)
- EPA Wetlands Study
- Brownfields Program
- Orlando Future-Ready City Master Plan

#### Governance

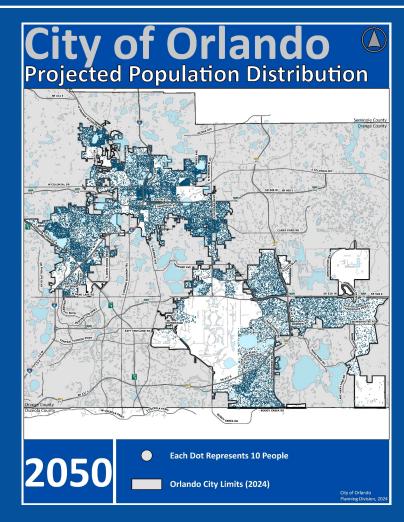
■ FY25 Operating & Capital Budgets





## **Growth Projections**

- The 2024-2050 Growth Projections Report provides consistent land use, population, and employment data to be used throughout each GMP Chapter and Element.
- Our Growth Projections provide information used for detailed level of service (LOS) analysis, and in particular mobility, parks, and infrastructure planning. Fire and Police Department staff also utilize the data.
- The Growth Projections are provided to various departments as well as City-contracted consultants, outside agencies such as OUC, real estate and development interests, academics, and the general public.
- 2020 Population: 307,573 (U.S. Census)
- 2024 Population: 334,490 (BEBR, University of Florida)
- 2050 Projected Population: 495,881
- Land Area: +/-137.64 square miles (including Sunbridge, ICP, Camino South & OUC Stanton annexations in 2024)



# **Overall Schedule for GMP Refresh**

Key Dates	GMP Refresh
January 27, 2025	City Council authorizes staff to initiate GMP amendments.
February 2025	1 <sup>st</sup> Round of Community Engagement
March 18, 2025	<ul> <li>MPB Workshop #1:</li> <li>Chapter 1 – Vision Statement &amp; Introduction</li> <li>Chapter 2 – A Vibrant, Livable, and Inclusive Community</li> <li>Chapter 3 – Safe &amp; Convenient Mobility Options</li> </ul>
March 2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round of Community Engagement
April 15, 2025	<ul> <li>MPB Workshop #2:</li> <li>Chapter 4 – Efficient &amp; Well-Maintained Infrastructure</li> <li>Chapter 5 – A Beautiful &amp; Environmentally-Friendly Community</li> <li>Chapter 6 – Responsible &amp; Accessible Government</li> </ul>
April 2025	3 <sup>rd</sup> Round of Community Engagement
May 20, 2025	MPB Review/Approval GMP Refresh (complete document)
June 23, 2025	City Council – 1st Reading of GMP Refresh-related amendments
July 2025	Florida Department of Commerce/Review Agency Commenting Period
August 2025	City Council – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading & Adoption of GMP Refresh-related amendments
September 2025	Effective Date of GMP Refresh-related amendments



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# **Our Inspiration**

"Establish a vision with sound, community-based guidelines. Stick to the vision and pay attention to detail. Be careful, but not too careful, because creativity often just happens."