

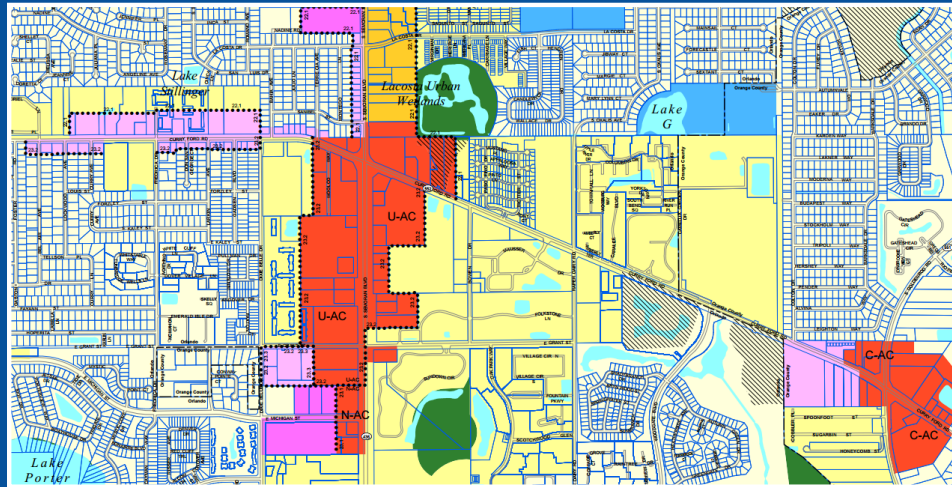


Overview of 2025 Growth Management Plan (GMP) Refresh

Community Engagement
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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)
- Official Future Land Use Map

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

- 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.
- Our planning horizon will be extended out to the year 2050 (25 years).
- The GMP document (currently 1,660+ pages) should be significantly shortened and re-structured into short, user-friendly chapters tied to our overall vision.
- 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.).
- **Is this considered a major change?** No. While the GMP will be restructured to be easier to use and understand, the City's overall planning vision and policy framework will remain consistent with the currently adopted comprehensive plan document. The GMP Refresh will integrate some new concepts including age-friendly, future-ready, resiliency, and healthy community design. We believe that it is critical to maintain a consistent community planning vision over time while also understanding that new planning topics will arise and should be considered.

Proposed New GMP Structure

Chapter 1 – Vision Statement & Introduction

(including a new “How To Use This Plan” section and a summary of 2024 to 2050 Growth Projections)

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, Repurposing Our 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 & Figures:** includes maps and figures 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/Figures, and to make the document more readable and understandable.

Chapter 1 – Vision Statement & Introduction

A VISION FOR THE CITY BEAUTIFUL ORLANDO'S 2050 GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN

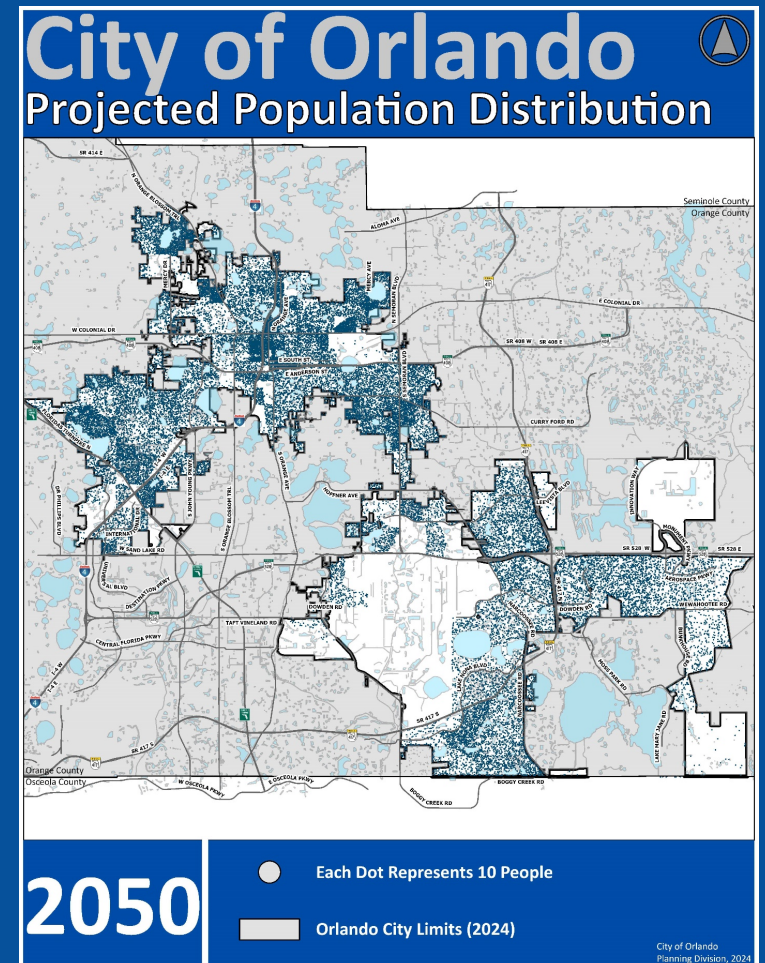
Our Vision:

Orlando is a 'community for a lifetime' focused on preserving its natural and man-made amenities while planning for an equitable and resilient future. Orlando is a city rich in history and culture, that is vibrant, livable, and inclusive, with safe and convenient mobility options, efficient and well-maintained infrastructure, a beautiful and sustainable environment, and responsible and accessible government.



Chapter 1 – Vision Statement & Introduction

- 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.
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- 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)



Chapter 2 – A Vibrant, Livable, and Inclusive Community

Orlando's vision for a truly vibrant, livable, and inclusive community focuses on economic opportunity, the creation and preservation of our neighborhoods and their beautiful amenities, as well as thoughtful placemaking that fully recognizes the needs and desires of people of all ages – we truly wish to be an age-friendly “community for a lifetime”.

Key elements of our “livability” vision include:

- A **future land use philosophy** that strengthens neighborhoods
- An **economic development strategy** that supports small businesses including our Main Streets
- A **rich diversity of housing types**
- A **preservation & urban design philosophy** focused on conserving Orlando's historic resources
- A **beautiful and sustainable public realm**
- A network of strong **cultural arts** facilities
- A recognition of **property rights** for both residents and businesses
- An understanding that Orlando must be a **future-ready city**



Chapter 3 – Safe & Convenient Mobility Options

Orlando is investing in a comprehensive and inclusive mobility strategy to effectively plan for all transportation alternatives. The City's mobility strategy contains key components to provide a safe and convenient transportation system for people of all ages including our residents and visitors.

- Orlando is committed to taking a leadership role in implementing multi-modal transportation opportunities consistent with our **Vision Zero** and **Repurposing Our Streets** initiatives – safety is key!
- Orlando is committed to ensuring that our future land use framework consisting of activity centers linked by mixed use corridors will allow for a balanced mobility system that supports our neighborhoods, employment centers, and our Main Streets.
- The policies of the GMP are designed to reach the thresholds necessary for public transit to be accessible, effective, safe, and convenient.



Chapter 4 – Efficient & Well-Maintained Infrastructure

To accommodate Orlando's continued growth, the City will ensure that a wide range of infrastructure facilities, amenities, and services are provided.

- Environmentally conscious **potable water, wastewater** (water reclamation), **stormwater & aquifer protection, solid waste**, and **energy** services will be located to enhance and efficiently develop our activity centers, mixed-use corridors, industrial areas, and our neighborhoods.
- Financing for the provision of necessary infrastructure will require public and private participation. The GMP includes strategies to eliminate existing infrastructure deficiencies and provide the infrastructure needed for new development at the levels of service desired by the City.

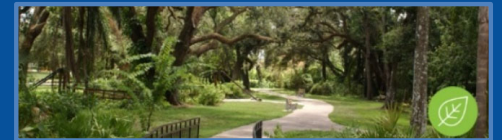


Chapter 5 – A Beautiful & Environmentally-Friendly Community

Orlando is transforming into one of the most environmentally-friendly, economically and socially vibrant communities in the nation. The City understands the inherent aesthetic and functional value of our natural resources including our lakes, water resources, and wetland systems and is dedicated to their preservation.

Our **Green Works Initiative** focuses on:

- Strengthening our **local food system**
- Improving **livability** and quality of life for people of all ages
- Improving **transportation and mobility** to reduce reliance on private automobiles
- Striving to become a “**zero waste**” community
- Ensuring **clean water**
- Encouraging **clean energy and green buildings**



Chapter 6 – Responsible & Accessible Government

Orlando is dedicated to providing effective, efficient, and financially feasible services. The City will coordinate its capital improvements planning and programming with our partners including Federal, State, other local jurisdictions, Orange County Public Schools, and the local development community.

- Orlando is committed to working with education partners to ensure that schools continue to form the cornerstone of neighborhoods.
- Enhanced educational opportunities for people of all ages and economic backgrounds are critical if Orlando is to reach its full potential.
- Orlando's vision will be implemented by partnering with neighborhood organizations, Main Street organizations, non-profits, and community-based organizations. The City will continue to look for ways to foster positive community development and involvement.



Closing Thoughts on Orlando's Vision



Orlando's vision for the future is noble, and the stakes are high. Through our GMP, the City will continue to work toward a strong, regionally focused growth-management program that recognizes Orlando's historic and future role as the Central Florida region's residential, employment, and cultural core.

The City of Orlando is and will remain a strong advocate for a rational, resilient, and sustainable urban form, and will work closely with our regional partners to ensure that we provide future generations with a high quality of life with both a strong built environment and social environment, and that we remain a 'community for a lifetime'.

Overall Schedule for the GMP Refresh

Key Dates	GMP Refresh
January 27, 2025	City Council authorizes staff to initiate GMP amendments.
February 2025	1 st Round of Community Engagement
March 18, 2025	MPB Workshop #1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chapter 1 – Vision Statement & Introduction ▪ Chapter 2 – A Vibrant, Livable, and Inclusive Community ▪ Chapter 3 – Safe & Convenient Mobility Options
March 2025	2 nd Round of Community Engagement
April 15, 2025	MPB Workshop #2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chapter 4 – Efficient & Well-Maintained Infrastructure ▪ Chapter 5 – A Beautiful & Environmentally-Friendly Community ▪ Chapter 6 – Responsible & Accessible Government
April 2025	3 rd Round of Community Engagement
May 20, 2025	MPB Review/Approval GMP Refresh (complete document)
June 23, 2025	City Council – 1 st Reading of GMP Refresh-related amendments
July 2025	Florida Department of Commerce/Review Agency Commenting Period
August 2025	City Council – 2 nd Reading & Adoption of GMP Refresh-related amendments
September 2025	Effective Date of GMP Refresh-related amendments

Website

For more information, to submit comments, and to review the draft 2025 Growth Management Plan (GMP) Refresh documents, please visit:



To learn more about the **Growth Management Plan (GMP) Refresh** process, visit orlando.gov/gmprefresh or scan the QR code.

Questions?