



Planning Department Workplan Prioritization

To: Davidson Board of Commissioners
From: Planning Director Jason Burdette
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Re: Prioritizing the Planning Department Workplan

1. OVERVIEW

The Board of Commissioners' Strategic Plan has a number of tactical priorities and action steps as it relates to land use strategy, historic preservation, community engagement, and mobility/transportation. The Planning Department requests guidance in prioritizing the departmental workplan for the coming year.

2. RELATED TOWN GOALS

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

- **Land Use Strategy:** The Town of Davidson will align land use policies... to preserve our architectural history, manage residential growth, reduce the scale of future development, and enhance downtown.
- **Community Engagement:** The Town of Davidson will have inclusive engagement with the community to encourage substantive, respectful, and open dialogue, increase participation, and foster a sense of belonging.
- **Historic Preservation:** The Town of Davidson will preserve our historically significant structures to retain our authenticity as a historic, small college town.
- **Mobility/Transportation:** The Town of Davidson will enable citizens to move freely about town via transit, car, bicycle, and on foot.

CORE VALUE ALIGNMENT

- Davidson's traditional character is that of a small, historic college town, so land planning will reflect its historic patterns of village-centered growth including connection of neighborhoods, preservation of our historic resources, conservation of rural area, and provision of public spaces.
- Citizens need to move easily throughout the town and region, so government will provide a variety of options, such as sidewalks, bike paths, greenways, connected streets, and transit.

3. OPTIONS/PROS & CONS

Pro: Achieve identified goals outlined in strategic plan. Prioritize goals and agree upon a departmental work plan.

Cons: Based upon the board's prioritization, some tactical priorities will be achieved ahead of others. Tactical items take significant time and manpower to achieve.

4. FYI or RECOMMENDED ACTION

Prioritize the workplan.

5. NEXT STEPS

Planning Department gets to work.