

City Council Visioning Session Thursday, May 17, 2018

Summary of Council's Discussion and Results of the Visioning Exercise

The Council identified some key issues they would like captured in the Comprehensive Planning process:

- Building pride within the community, including beautification projects
- Engagement with school districts so that city and school plans are cohesive
- Being involved, responsive, and caring for all members of the community including those in manufactured home communities
- Thinking about seniors as the population ages, with an emphasis on transportation
- Engaging utility companies in future planning
- Identifying how city government plays a role in providing services
- Having an inclusive process and ensuring that key community stakeholders are involved in the planning process

During the visioning exercise City Council identified the following themes and ideas:

- Equity and inclusion: Equal opportunity for all, ability to access services throughout one's life span, taking care of children and elderly, integration across socioeconomic and cultural spectrum
- Sense of place: Beautification
- Connected community: Trails, transit, shuttle services
- Destination spots: Low-cost or free opportunities that are accessible; possible opportunity to connect Thornton shopping center area and train station
- Mix of housing: Affordable housing, Bradburn model, integrated housing
- Arts and culture: Accessible and low-cost opportunities, theater
- Integrate North and South Thornton
- Smart City: City services, transportation, safety
- Recreation: Connected trails, wayfinding, completing the trail system
- Green Thornton: Energy efficiency in buildings, vehicles, geothermal
- Good Governance: Regionally recognized, fiscal stability, active in regional discussions, leaders on issues such as housing, safe neighborhoods
- Economy: good paying jobs, start-ups, small retailers, smaller work places, space for women, coworking

Visioning exercise drawings:



