

PlanLafayette 5-Year Major Plan Amendment

An ongoing process, the comprehensive plan should not be a one-time event and a static document and map. The plan will guide ongoing, more detailed planning and will need to respond to changing needs and conditions. To ensure the plan is current and useful, the Planning Commission and the Community Development & Planning Department, on behalf of City and Parish Councils will monitor plan implementation progress annually, and will conduct a thorough review, revision, and update of the Comprehensive Plan at least every five years.

Total PlanLafayette Action Items

PlanLafayette's 474 Action Items are derived from the 35 Goals and 122 Policies that collectively address the priority topics identified in the plan's 10 Elements.

Action Items completed and proposed to be removed

In certain cases action items can be removed from the PlanLafayette document if they are discreet activities and have been completed in full. We recommend the 10 Action Items listed below to be deleted.

Action Items proposed for revisions

In certain cases action items need to be amended or updated in the PlanLafayette document, we recommend amendments to the 12 Action Items as shown below.

Action Items where work is ongoing

Work is ongoing for 322 PlanLafayette Action Items, relating to all 35 Goals and reflects progress on all 10 Elements.

Proposed Amendments:

Proposed Deletion of Existing Action Items

- 1.2.3: Produce a Neighborhood Planning Citizen Handbook designed to nurture better grassroots understanding of the neighborhood planning program.
- 1.6.4: Developing street connectivity standards and requirements in the subdivision regulations that improve safety and accessibility and decrease traffic congestion.
- 1.9.2: Lead a public planning process to address necessary infrastructure improvements including roads, bike paths, sidewalks, public plazas, parks, and related improvements – as well as other strategies to mitigate the impact of the I-49 Connector on the surrounding areas.
- 2.12.1: Create land use regulations that provide for appropriate transitions in building mass and scale and provide for adequate buffers to existing neighborhoods.
- 3.3.2: Implement stricter code enforcement.
- 4.1.4: Continue efforts to fund the Preservation Alliance Lafayette (PAL) historic preservation fund to provide a monetary source for local preservation incentives, such as an architectural assistance program for property owners. The fund may be supported through grants, private or public donations, or other sources.

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- 4.1.5: Align funding through the PAL historic preservation fund with the comprehensive plan goals.
- 5.5.5: Secure funding for the expansion of terminal facilities in order to meet growing demand, which is currently forecasted to increase by 40% in the next ten years.
- 7.7.5: Coordinate with FEMA as it adopts the final Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and ensure that the new maps are effectively and accurately communicated to the public, so as to decrease uncertainty.
- 8.5.4: Reach the goal of a "no kill" status for our Animal Control Services.

Proposed Amendment to Existing Goals, Policies and Action Items

- 1.3.4: Revitalize the "Four Corners" and at Cameron and University Streets intersection as an employment and job center.
- 1.5.5: Continue to protect and improve water quality and filtering in the conservation of natural filters such as wetlands and marshes.
- 1.11.1: Support efforts to complete and continually update the parish's parcel-based land use inventory in
 GIS related to Continue to supplement the Lafayette Parish Assessor's database to develop information
 about detailed land uses, and develop a feedback system for regular updates and management of the
 data.
- 4.1.2: <u>Identify significant resources and e</u>Encourage alternatives to the demolition of <u>and/or inappropriate</u> <u>modifications to</u> significant resources, such as architecturally compatible rehabilitation, adaptive reuse, and relocation.
- 4.1.6: Apply for Pursue Certified Local Government (CLG) status with the Louisiana Historic Preservation
 Office to be eligible for grant funds for historical and cultural preservation through the National Parks
 Service, and apply for in addition to location within grant funding from the Atchafalaya National Heritage
 Area.
- 4.2.1: Establish a process to identify, evaluate and designate Continue to encourage the evaluation and designation of culturally and historically significant neighborhoods as neighborhood character areas.
- 4.2.3: <u>Develop a process that can become a vehicle for the Preservation Commission to help e</u>Encourage the retention of those qualities that contribute to neighborhood character areas through the application of design guidelines consistent with the local context of each area.
- 4.2.5: Support the purchase of protections for significant properties with wide appeal to the community.
- 4.3.3: Develop a property owners' guide to historic preservation rehabilitation that includes an overview of
 the roles of each of the local organizations, available incentives, technical standards for rehabilitation
 projects specific to Lafayette architecture, and funding opportunities.
- 4.7.1: Partner with the <u>Public Library Preservation Alliance</u>, UL, <u>AOC</u>, and other <u>neighborhood</u>, historical
 and cultural groups to create the opportunity for volunteers to interview and record oral histories of local
 residents.
- 7.6.5: Expand the currentSeek alternative recycling programs to include multifamily residential and commercial buildings in the city of Lafayette.

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7.6.6: Expand awareness of the "household chemical day" and continue to accept e-Waste materials to divert electronic materials from landfills and generate revenue for the recycling program.

Clerical Amendments

- Replace all references to "Unified Development Code/UDC" with Lafayette Development Code/LDC to reflect the revised development codes.
- Change all references to departments of "Community Development" or "Development and Planning" to "Community Development and Planning". Please note the Annual Report spreadsheet still refers to Community Development, or to Development and Planning, for Department Lead and Assessment of Action Items.
- Renumbering of Action Items will occur with deletion of completed action items.