



Steven J. Schaer, AICP
Manager
Planning and Zoning
sschaer@westalliswi.gov
414.302.8466

MEMORANDUM

TO: Safety and Development Committee
FROM: Steven J. Schaer, AICP, Manager Planning and Zoning
DATE: January 7, 2021
SUBJECT: 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update

City of West Allis 2040 Comprehensive Plan

Wisconsin State Comprehensive Planning Law (Statute 66.1001) requires cities, counties, and other local units of government to enact a Comprehensive Plan every 10 years. The Comprehensive Plan, which covers a 20-year planning period, is intended to act as a guide for development and decision making related to land use, housing, transportation, utilities, economic development, agriculture, and intergovernmental relationships. The City of West Allis adopted the West Allis Comprehensive Plan 2030 in February of 2011. This update, the West Allis 2040 Comprehensive Plan, will replace the 2030 Plan.

The update to the Comprehensive Plan is intended to be conducted in two phases. The first phase will take place immediately and include minimal updates to the previously adopted 2030 Comprehensive Plan, in order to meet statutory requirements. The second phase will take place over the next several years and will include a full overhaul of each plan element, including extensive public involvement in the planning and visioning process. This two-phased approach will allow the City to fully engage the public in the planning process and will provide for the use of more current Census data as we reevaluate each plan section.

Schedule for phase one: A draft version of the Comprehensive Plan will go before Plan Commission for consideration on January 27, 2021. A public hearing on the 2040 Comprehensive Plan will be held at the February 17, 2021 Common Council Meeting. The Plan may be approved on the same night if Council chooses.

CC: Rebecca Grill, CPM, CMC, MBA City Administrator/Clerk