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# City of Ramsey 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update

## Our Vision

### Background on this Document

This document is a draft of the narrative to be used in the 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update. This is not a final version or actual layout. This document will be reviewed and revised multiple times. The City will try to add additional maps and figures to better tell the story of this vision.

### Our Mission

It is our mission to work together to responsibly grow our community, and to provide quality, cost-effective, and efficient government services.

### Our Vision

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### Strategic Imperatives

1. A Balance of Rural Character and Urban Growth Balance
2. An Active Community (Parks, Recreation, and Open Space)
3. A Connected Community (Transportation)
4. A Positive Learning Environment

### Core Values

These core values carry equal importance. They are not shown in a prioritized list.

- Encourage new pedestrian friendly neighborhoods and balanced transportation.
- Maintain landowner rights.
- Employ careful foresight that involves all citizens in decisions that affect their lives, property, and neighborhoods through collaborative public engagement.
- Nurture neighborhood and community interactions with flexibility to meet future needs without compromising the needs and interests of current residents.
- Develop and maintain a well-connected park and public space system for all ages.
- Attract and retain businesses that support the whole community.

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## Purpose of the Plan

### Components of the Comprehensive Plan

The Land Use Plan serves as the foundation in a series of plans that guides the future of Ramsey. Policy decisions on how the community will change over the next twenty (20) years will have impacts on a variety of systems. This chapter sets the stage and tone for subsequent chapters. The Comprehensive Plan is a compilation of several chapters that are well integrated to form a vision for the community for the next twenty (20) years.

- Land Use
- Transportation
- Wastewater
- Surface Water
- Water Supply
- Parks and Trails
- Housing
- Resilience (Natural Resources)
- Economic Competitiveness
- Implementation (tying it all together in a plan of action)

### Key Achievements of the Previous Plan

- Improved Public Engagement in Key Policy Decisions
- Secured the Ramsey Station on the Northstar Commuter Rail.
- Completed the Armstrong Interchange.
- Progressed on Completing The COR according to its Vision.

NOT FOR DRAFT/Topic List:

- Building in flexibility to respond to the market.
- Provide more regular updates.
- Explain the intent/purpose of this document. Ensure that it not intended to micro-manage the process.
- List out the process for amending the Comprehensive Plan.