

Comments Summary
April 28, 2010 Open House
General Plan 2010-2020 draft review

Participants at the open house provided constructive feedback, which covered many of the topic areas in this Plan update. Below is a sample:

Transportation:

Bridge on Chisholm Trail by the round rock is too dangerous for children; it requires a sidewalk and/or the bridge should be widened.

Pedestrian walkways are needed to better connect east and west Round Rock.

New bridge and road connection to the IH-35 frontage road, through downtown mixed-use, is not appropriate. Funding should be used to enhance Round Rock Avenue.

Do not build the bridge extending from Main Street to the frontage road. Access to downtown is critical and this does not enhance that.

Improve traffic signals and lane configurations on Mays Street.

Develop a fixed-route bus service in Round Rock.

Construct sidewalks along Round Rock Avenue (RM 620) by Round Rock High School.

Build more parking for downtown businesses.

Increase safety crossings for students.

Diversify intra-city transportation methods.

Historic Preservation:

At each historic site, the history of that site should be featured.

Build more historic signage.

Expedite the provision of funds for restoring and/or maintaining historic buildings and homes.

Establish special taxing/property appraisal programs to encourage historic site preservation.

New incentives should be developed to place limits on adopting new land uses.

Community Facilities:

Additional police substations are needed.

Land Use:

Consider having mixed-use around the potential convention center site.

The convention center should be located downtown around the new parking garage and City offices.

Senior housing should be located near downtown facilities, government offices, and medical facilities.

Parks & Open Space:

Expedite the building of park trails and be sure that they can adequately include bicycle traffic.

Community Design:

Overhead cables should be buried.

Trade the Yaupon trees in the middle of Main Street for shade trees.

The entrance to downtown Round Rock should be marked by columns with an arch, stating "Downtown Historic Round Rock."

Build signage directing tourists and locals from Austin and Georgetown to downtown Round Rock.

Expand downtown sidewalks for café seating.

Downtown should have larger trees and more colorful plantings.

Improve alleys behind buildings through better landscaping.

Build lighting to lead pedestrians from parking off of Main Street to downtown businesses.