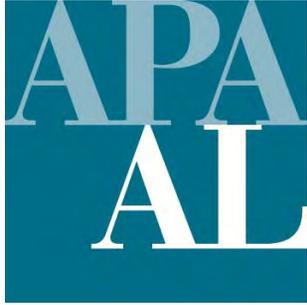


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### *Outstanding Planning Award for a Plan*

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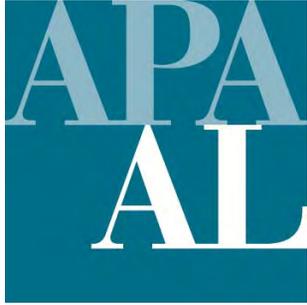
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*City of Dothan*

*“Long Range Development Plan”  
“A Sense of New Beginnings”*

*Nominated by Timothy W. Brown*

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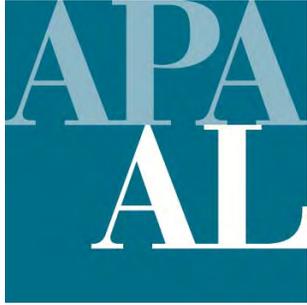
## *Dothan Long Range Development Plan*

### **Community Profile**

- History of Dothan
- Most recent demographics
- Key findings from previous Plans
- Plan Organization and Plan Advisory Committee
- Highlights of the Existing Conditions Report
- Education Theme



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## Dothan Long Range Development Plan

### Public Participation

- Provides the basis for the goals of the plan.
- Documents the results of a citizen survey.
- Documents five public forums held in the Spring of 2008 which included a
- Visual Preference Survey and SWOT Analysis
- This process yielded additional thoughts on the issues raised in the survey and their prioritization.

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### Sprawl

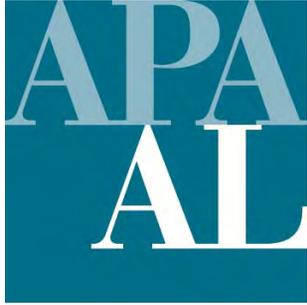
- Does Dothan need more like this  
(Large Lots & Minimal Open Space)

**A**

- Or more like this  
(Clustered Smaller Lots with more Open Space)

**B**

Two maps are shown side-by-side, illustrating different development patterns. Map A, labeled 'A', shows a suburban-style development with large, rectangular lots and minimal open space. It features a 'Primary conservation area' and is bounded by 'Windsor James Pkwy' and 'Bryant Hill Road'. Map B, labeled 'B', shows a more clustered development with smaller lots, trails, a stone wall, a field, and woodlands. It also features 'Tall oaks on small knoll', a 'Future street extension', and is bounded by 'Windsor James Pkwy' and 'Bryant Hill Road'. Two blue circular arrows point from the text 'Or more like this' towards Map B.



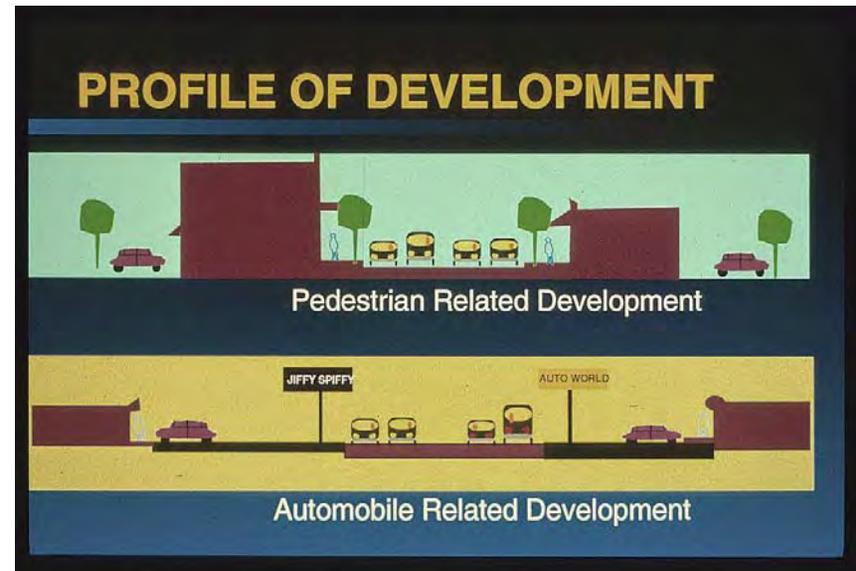
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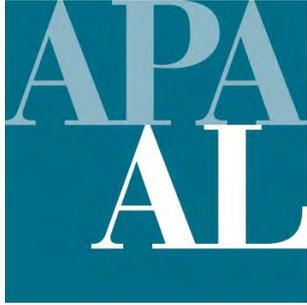
## Dothan Long Range Development Plan

### Education

#### Understanding the Context of Our Future Decisions

- Review some of the urban forms common in urban areas and opportunities for application in Dothan.
- Discuss the boundaries of the decision making process.
- Identify the trends, issues and challenges unique in our community.





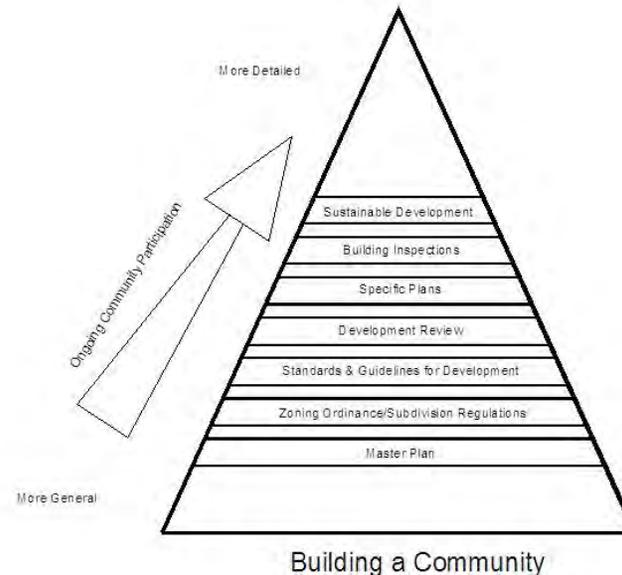
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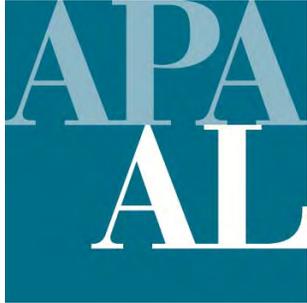
### Education

#### Purpose of the Long Range Development Plan

- Roadmap for decision making
- Involves physical, social and economic environments
- Legal and logical foundations of planning
- Sustainable Development
- Role in the Development Process
- Standards and Guidelines
- Capital Improvements Planning
- Specific (topic) plans



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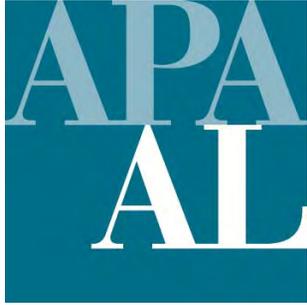
### **Plan**

#### **Vision and Guiding Principles**

- Sets out the overall vision and guiding principles for this planning effort.
- Obtained through community input and staff observations
- Smart Growth Framework

#### **We Envision Dothan**

- *Where the natural environment is protected.*
- *Where the level of City services consistently achieves high standards of quality and availability.*
- *Where a variety of recreational opportunities are available.*
- *Where citizens are true partners in their City government.*
- *Where a high quality of life is shared by all.*
- *Where opportunities for employment and business exist.*
- *Where the appearance of our City is attractive.*
- *Where the ground transportation system has balanced mobility options, with minimal congestion, good accessibility, and connections City-wide that is integrated into the regional road network.*
- *We envision, we aspire, and we hope that our community becomes a great place in which to live, work, own a business, play, educate and rear our children now and in the future.*



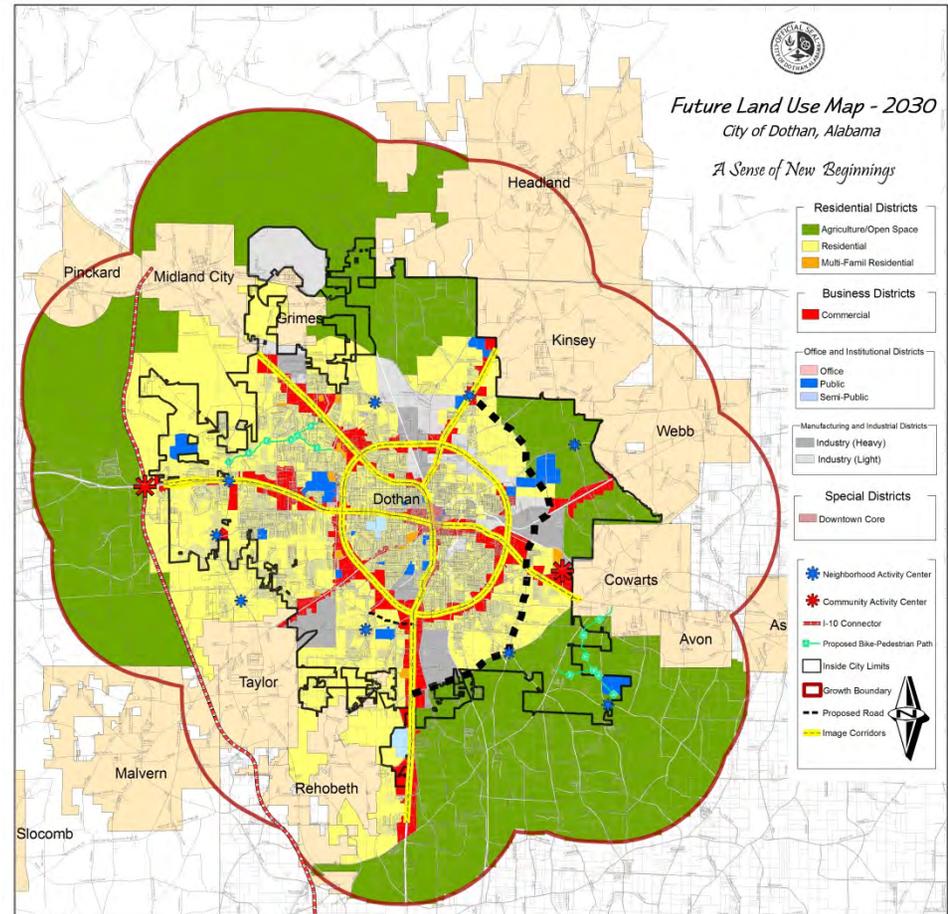
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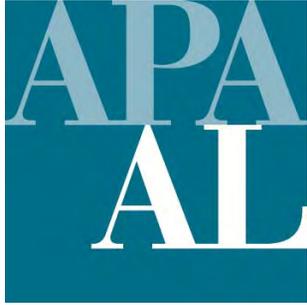
### Plan

#### Land Use and Community Appearance

- Detailed view of how existing and future land uses interact.
- Strong themes for community appearance and design translated into a Development Concept.
- Urban Growth Area
- Annexation Strategy
- Future Land Use Map



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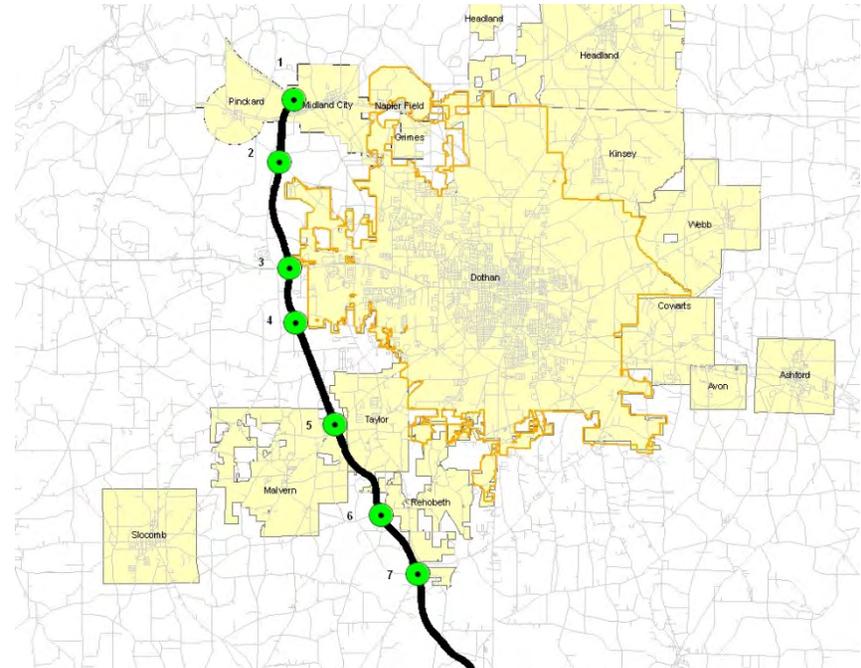
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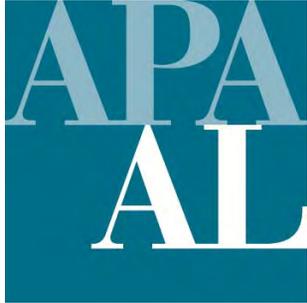
## *Dothan Long Range Development Plan*

### Plan

#### Transportation

- Discusses existing issues with the city transportation system.
- Issues that will likely impact the shape of the future transportation system including:
  - Complete Streets
  - Access and Mobility
  - Traffic Calming
  - The Urban Transportation Planning Process (MPO)
  - I-10 Connector





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## *Dothan Long Range Development Plan*

### **Plan**

Implementation - The plan recommendations are organized by the preferences expressed by the public during the planning process.

Transportation improvements within the City.

- Sidewalks, pedestrian ways and bike trails.
- Communication improvements between the City and the public.
- Improvements to downtown.
- More downtown entertainment venues.
- More open space and parks in which to recreate.
- Prevent commercial encroachment.
- Protect the environment.