

Building our future, together



In 2007, the Tyler City Council voted unanimously to adopt the Tyler 21 Comprehensive Plan. It was named as the roadmap by which Tyler would move into the 21st century. Tyler 21 was designed to be a 20-year plan to create a strategic framework for future actions as the City continues to grow.

the performance of its peers but has raised the bar and is now first in its class. It is important to celebrate our successes and continue to build our future together through Tyler 1st.

In the five years since the adoption of Tyler 21, several other plans have been created to carry out the vision. One of these plans was the Industry Growth Initiative. Tyler was named the 2012 Community of the Year by the Texas chapter of the American Planning Association in recognition of this plan.

By holding to the values of the Tyler Blueprint and Called to S-E-R-V-E motto, Tyler managed to receive a AAA bond rating and has no tax supported debt which allows it to maintain one of the lowest property tax rates in Texas. Tyler has not just met

GET INVOLVED!

Want to participate in Tyler 1st? Keep up to date with everything by checking the project website:

www.tyler1st.com

Public meetings are scheduled throughout the year.

Why update the plan?

Tyler 1st will serve to review the community's vision and goals in relation to the changes Tyler has experienced in business, industry, transportation and citizens. To make the vision of Tyler 21 a success, the plan laid out a list of 375 implementation items to help bring that vision to fruition. In the five years since the adoption of the plan, Tyler has been able to effectively address 243 of the items which equals a 65 percent complete implementation schedule. The update provides an opportunity to refocus Tyler's efforts and establish new implementation items to continue to improve the quality of life for East Texas.

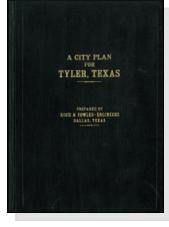
"It is hard to believe that it has been almost five years since the Council adopted the Tyler 21 Plan. Much has been accomplished toward implementation of the original goals; however, the plan calls for an update every five years to ensure it remains current and reflects the desires of the community."



WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

The city planning program, properly conceived, is

a device to stop
wasteful and haphazard
improvements in city
development. Its
primary aim is to
prevent mistakes- to do
the right thing at the
right time, especially
where new growth is
concerned. It is not the
planning that is costly;
it is the lack of it that
will make extraordinary
expenditures necessary



to correct intolerable conditions later.

-Tyler 1931 City Plan

WHAT IS IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

Tyler 1st is designed to reflect the current and future needs of Tyler. The update will begin with a review of the shared citywide vision and goals. Further review will be performed through Steering Committee chapter reviews, open houses and public opinion forums and surveys.

The vision and goals guide the creation of more detailed elements of the plan:

- Future land use and growth management;
- Parks, open space and recreation;
- Historic preservation;
- Small area plans for Downtown, North Tyler and the lake areas;
- Housing and community identity;
- Congestion mitigation for South Tyler;
- Transportation;
- Public facilities, services and infrastructure; and
- An implementation plan for each element.



STEERING COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE LEADERSHIP

The Steering Committee is a group of appointed residents along with the Mayor, City Council, and State Senator Kevin Eltife. This committee will guide the Tyler 1st process, serve as a sounding board, and review plan products and documents. It will meet approximately once a month during the planning process. All Steering Committee meetings are open to the public.

On Jan. 30, 2013, the Steering Committee held its first meeting to kick off the five year review. The Committee received an update on the implementation of the plan

and the progress the City has made by using it as a guide in departmental work plans and capital improvement plans. A citizen survey was conducted again and provided



positive insight regarding the progress of the plan.

TYLER 1ST PROVIDES:

- Policy and strategic guidance on the physical development and redevelopment of the city;
- Ways for Tyler to actively seek positive change and deflect negative change, rather than simply react after change has occurred;
- Predictability for developers, businesses, and residents;
- Financial savings resulting from plans for orderly investments in services, facilities and infrastructure; and
- Strategies for preserving the sense of place and identity that help make Tyler unique.



2013 OPEN HOUSES:

Tyler 1st cannot succeed without broad public input. If it is to be a plan for the entire community, it must contain information and ideas that represent all residents of Tyler. Many opportunities will be offered for public participation.

TYLER 1ST NEEDS YOU!

Topic	Date	Time (Evening)	Venue
Transportation and Circulation	4/4	5:30 to 7 p.m.	Tyler Senior Center
Parks, Open Space, Recreation & Lakes	4/16	5:30 to 6:30	Harvey Hall - Hall 3
Historic Preservation	5/9	5:30 to 6:30	Gallery Main Street
North Revitalization	5/30	5:30 to 6:30	Neighborhood Services
Business and Economy	6/27	5 to 7 p.m.	Park Place Center
Downtown	8/27	5:30 to 6:30	Gallery Main Street
Education	9/17	4 to 6 p.m.	TJC - White Admin
Future Land Use & Annexation Guide	10/17	5:30 to 6:30	TDC Large Conf Room
Draft Update	12/5	5:30 to 7 p.m.	Camellia Room

TYLER 1ST WEBSITE

Be sure to visit the plan website. www.tyler1st.org.

Plan documents and events will be posted there regularly.

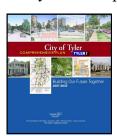
TYLER SPEAKS

Share your thoughts on the discussion forum.

www.cityoftyler.org/IWantTo/ TylerSpeaks.aspx

One plan related question will be posted per month.

Instantly Download Documents to your Smartphone or Tablet.





Tyler Plan





Citizen Survey

Tyler 1st Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

Mayor and City Council

Mayor Barbara Bass Ralph Caraway, District 3 (former)
Sam Mezayek, District 1 Martin Heines, District 4
Darryl Bowdre, District 2 Mark Whatley, District 5
Ed Moore, District 3 (current) John Nix, District 6

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