



City of Olean Comprehensive Development Plan Task Force Committee Meeting #4

April 15th, 2024 – 4:00 PM



Agenda

- Comprehensive Development Plan Schedule
- Updates on outreach
 - School outreach
- Review of Final Vision & Goals
- Project Discussion
- Strategies, Projects, and Policies Activity
- Next Steps
- Additional Discussion & Questions



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◆ Project Team

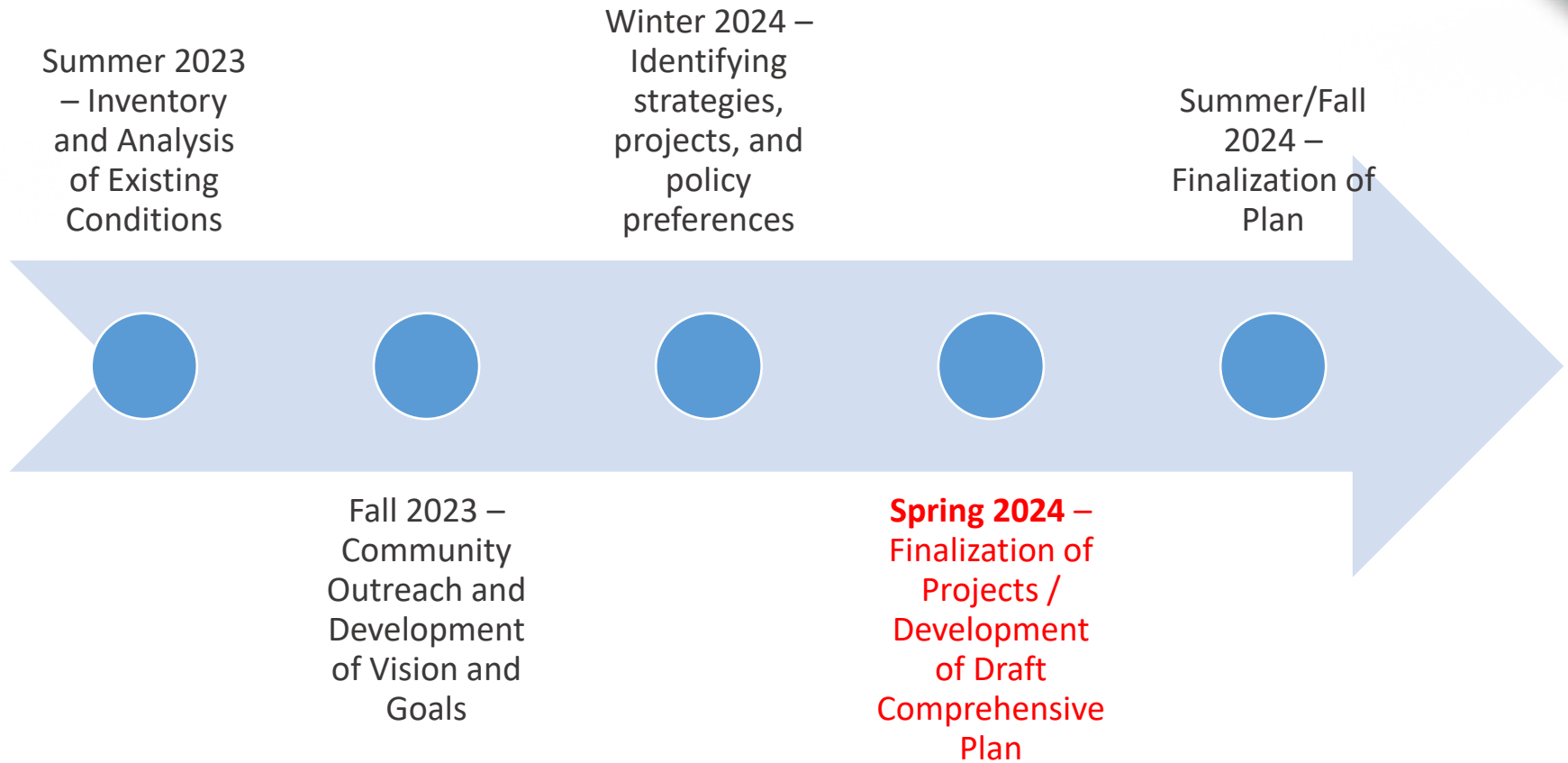
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◆ Feedback

- ◆ Please provide feedback (no more than 1 week after receiving a document for review)
- ◆ Engagement feedback (anytime) – Tanya
- ◆ Project and Process Feedback (anytime) – Dan & Emma



How Long Will This Take?



Outreach Elements

- ◆ Stakeholder Interviews
- ◆ Community Participation Plan
- ◆ Public Meetings (2)
- ◆ Survey
- ◆ Pop-up Event(s)



School Outreach Review

1. Transportation: fix potholes, add sidewalks, and jury is out on roundabouts
2. Economic Development: Revitalize the mall
3. Parks: More indoor athletics, legal cannabis creates conflicts at parks with children
4. Community services: Bonaventure Fitness Center, rec center, volunteering, drug treatment programs



Updated Vision Statement

“In 2045, Olean is the pride of the Southern Tier. Our renaissance continues and our population is growing. Our city blends welcoming historic charm with modern development, creating a safe, stable, and inclusive environment. Housing preserves our heritage while providing sustainable living solutions for generations to come. Our downtown is a thriving commercial hub, and our entrepreneurial culture nurtures and develops our workforce. Our transportation system enhances connectivity for all residents and increases access to opportunities. Olean's commitment to preserving natural resources strengthens our resiliency and sustainability, setting a model for responsible regional growth.”



Updated Goal Statements

- ◆ **Improve Housing and Neighborhoods:** Improve housing diversity through new development and enhance neighborhoods by fostering a sense of community, promoting livability, and ensuring sustained property value. Support the maintenance and improvement to existing housing stock.
- ◆ **Develop Parks and Recreation:** Develop inclusive recreational facilities and safeguard open spaces to enrich the well-being of our current residents while preserving the natural legacy for future generations in Olean.
- ◆ **Advance Economic Development:** Continue to advance Olean's renaissance as a vibrant entrepreneurial center. Reinforce downtown and commercial corridors as a thriving, pedestrian-friendly retail hub featuring a blend of housing, shopping, dining, services, and cultural amenities.
- ◆ **Cultivate Transportation:** Cultivate an efficient, secure, and well-connected transportation system in Olean that aligns with current requirements and anticipates future growth. Prioritize economic viability and responsiveness to adjacent land uses.



Updated Goal Statements

- ◆ **Promote Optimal and Efficient Land Use:** Promote optimal land utilization in Olean, enhancing both the physical and economic landscape by encouraging efficient land use practices that benefit the community.
- ◆ **Improve Public Services and Infrastructure:** Improve and maintain robust local infrastructure to meet the needs of current and future developments in Olean. Ensure safety and adaptability to growth while providing responsive and adequate public services and facilities for residents and businesses.
- ◆ **Enhance Quality of Life:** Uphold and enhance the overall quality of life in Olean by addressing key areas such as public safety, housing, recreation, economic development, and community engagement to create a well-rounded and fulfilling living experience. Cultivate a positive and engaging relationship with stakeholders in Olean, actively encouraging citizen participation and involvement in shaping the community's future.
- ◆ **Prioritize Fiscal Responsibility:** Prioritize sound financial management in Olean, ensuring responsible and transparent allocation of resources to support sustainable development and growth while maintaining fiscal prudence and accountability.



Preliminary Projects Identified

◆ **Transportation Projects**

- ◆ Implement multimodal and streetscape improvements on W. State St.
- ◆ Implement multimodal and streetscape improvements on Front St.

◆ **Land Use Projects**

- ◆ Update the City's Zoning Code
- ◆ Conduct regular assessments of vacant or underutilized properties
- ◆ Invest in Olean Mall Campus improvements

◆ **Parks Projects**

- ◆ Redesign Marcus Park with inclusive playground
- ◆ Design and construct a Levee Trail along Olean Creek
- ◆ Design and construct a Mt. Herman overlook and connector trails
- ◆ Provide boat launches at Gargoyle Park, Mt. Herman, and River Street



Committee Activity

- ◆ Visit the Goal boards around the room
- ◆ Each Goal board has Strategies, Projects, and Policies with a column for Priority and Partners – **you have 30 minutes so choose wisely**
- ◆ Please note with a star your highest priority projects
- ◆ Please infill Partners that come to mind that can assist with its success



Next Steps

- ◆ Updates to and finalization of Strategies, Policies, and Projects
- ◆ Development of Land Use Plan
- ◆ Project Narrative and Concept Development
- ◆ Task Force Committee Meeting 5 in late June
- ◆ Public Meeting potentially in late summer



Questions

Questions or Comments?

