Appendices



CONSIDERATIONS FOR RECOMMENDED CODE UPDATE

Appendix A

One of the largest recommendations is GEN.4F, "Assemble a Unified Development Code that contains regulations and regulatory incentives to incremental redevelopment and high-yield revenue per acre development."

While this project scope did not include a review of the current development regulations, there are several areas suggested below for further examination at the time a Unified Development Code is pursued. Some of these suggestions come from engagement activities and interviews with the public during this planning process. Others are topics of outdated regulatory approaches that are known to work at cross-purposes with a vision of simplified rules and fiscally sustainable development patterns. They together serve as a list the City can use in a code effort.

CONSIDERATIONS

- Require green space within close proximity to new residences.
- Mandate extensions and connections of/to bike and pedestrian pathways in neighborhoods as they evolve, or as new ones are built.
- 3. Make possible the development or redevelopment of land within neighborhoods to neighborhood scale businesses and office space.
- 4. Use design standards to maintain compatibility within neighborhoods among all types of structures.
- Introduce expedited approval processes for projects that introduce missing middle housing options in the core of Kyle, such as duplexes, triplexes, and live/work units.
- 6. Revise standards to allow accessory structures and dwelling units by right so long as certain minimum criteria are met.
- Encourage compact and walkable neighborhoods with street and subdivision standards.
- Preserve existing homesteads and rural estate-style, larger lot neighborhoods beyond the city limits by focusing strategic areas of low-to-moderate density within the city limits.
- Continue connectivity by requiring street cuts and/or cross access to adjacent undeveloped land as new development occurs.
- Revisit the minimum required block length to create shorter blocks in a grid pattern.
- 11. Reduce minimum lot size requirements to encourage additional redevelopment and reuse of lot remnants and vacant land within the city limits.





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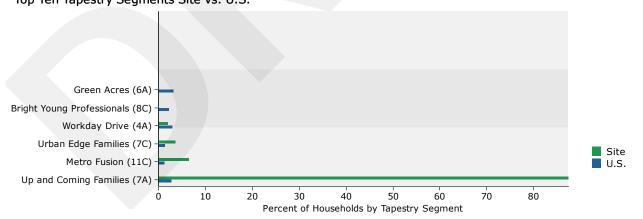
Top Twenty Tapestry Segments

		2022 H	2022 U.S. Households				
		Cumulative			Cumulative		
Rank	Tapestry Segment	Percent	Percent		Percent	Percent	Index
1	Up and Coming Families (7A)	87.5%	87.5%		2.8%	2.8%	3141
2	Metro Fusion (11C)	6.6%	94.1%		1.5%	4.2%	452
3	Urban Edge Families (7C)	3.8%	97.9%		1.5%	5.8%	249
4	Workday Drive (4A)	2.1%	100.0%		3.1%	8.8%	69
5	Bright Young Professionals (8C)	0.0%	100.0%		2.3%	11.1%	1
	Subtotal	100.0%			11.2%		
6	Green Acres (6A)	0.0%	100.0%		3.3%	14.4%	0

3.3%

Total 100.0% 14.4% 696

Top Ten Tapestry Segments Site vs. U.S.



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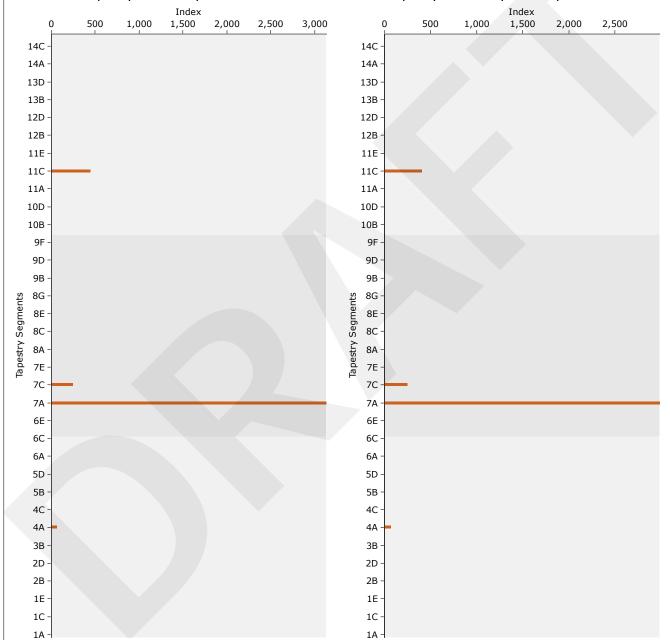
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2022 Tapestry Indexes by Households

2022 Tapestry Indexes by Total Population 18+



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Tapestry LifeMode Groups	202	2 Households		2022 Ad	lult Population		
	Number	Percent	Index	Number	Percent	Inde	
Total:	17,177	100.0%		34,731	100.0%		
1. Affluent Estates	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Top Tier (1A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Professional Pride (1B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Boomburbs (1C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Savvy Suburbanites (1D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Exurbanites (1E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
2. Upscale Avenues	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Urban Chic (2A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Pleasantville (2B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Pacific Heights (2C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Enterprising Professionals (2D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
3. Uptown Individuals	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
•	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Laptops and Lattes (3A) Metro Renters (3B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
, ,	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Trendsetters (3C)	0	0.0%	U	U	0.0%		
4. Family Landscapes	364	2.1%	27	835	2.4%	30	
Workday Drive (4A)	364	2.1%	69	835	2.4%	7	
Home Improvement (4B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Middleburg (4C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
5. GenXurban	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Comfortable Empty Nesters (5A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
In Style (5B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Parks and Rec (5C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Rustbelt Traditions (5D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Midlife Constants (5E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
6. Cozy Country Living	1	0.0%	0	2	0.0%	(
Green Acres (6A)	1	0.0%	0	2	0.0%		
Salt of the Earth (6B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
The Great Outdoors (6C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Prairie Living (6D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Rural Resort Dwellers (6E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Heartland Communities (6F)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
7. Sprouting Explorers	15,678	91.3%	601	32,003	92.1%	109	
Up and Coming Families (7A)	15,031	87.5%	3,141	30,529	87.9%	2,99	
Urban Villages (7B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	,	
Urban Edge Families (7C)	647	3.8%	249	1,474	4.2%	24	
Forging Opportunity (7D)	0	0.0%	0	, 0	0.0%		
Farm to Table (7E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		

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	Number	Percent	Index	Number	Percent	Index	
Total:	17,177	100.0%		34,731	100.0%		
8. Middle Ground	2	0.0%	0	5	0.0%	0	
City Lights (8A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Emerald City (8B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Bright Young Professionals (8C)	2	0.0%	1	5	0.0%	1	
	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Downtown Melting Pot (8D)	0		0	0		0	
Front Porches (8E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%		
Old and Newcomers (8F)	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	0	
Hometown Heritage (8G)	U	0.0%	0	U	0.0%	0	
9. Senior Styles	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Silver & Gold (9A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Golden Years (9B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
The Elders (9C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Senior Escapes (9D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Retirement Communities (9E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Social Security Set (9F)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
10. Rustic Outposts	0	0.0%	0	5	0.0%	0	
Southern Satellites (10A)	0	0.0%	0	5	0.0%	0	
Rooted Rural (10B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Economic BedRock (10C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Down the Road (10D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Rural Bypasses (10E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
11. Midtown Singles	1,132	6.6%	105	1,877	5.4%	99	
City Strivers (11A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Young and Restless (11B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Metro Fusion (11C)	1,132	6.6%	452	1,877	5.4%	410	
Set to Impress (11D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
City Commons (11E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
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12. Hometown	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Family Foundations (12A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Traditional Living (12B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Small Town Sincerity (12C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Modest Income Homes (12D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
13. Next Wave	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Diverse Convergence (13A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
	0		0	0		0	
Family Extensions (13B)	0	0.0% 0.0%	0	0	0.0% 0.0%	0	
NeWest Residents (13C)							
Fresh Ambitions (13D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
High Rise Renters (13E)	U	0.0%	U	U	0.0%	0	
14. Scholars and Patriots	0	0.0%	0	4	0.0%	1	
Military Proximity (14A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
College Towns (14B)	0	0.0%	0	4	0.0%	1	
Dorms to Diplomas (14C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	
Unclassified (15)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	

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1. Principal Urban Center	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
- F:	0		0			(
Laptops and Lattes (3A)		0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
Metro Renters (3B)	0	0.0%			0.0%	
Trendsetters (3C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Downtown Melting Pot (8D)		0.0%		-	0.0%	(
City Strivers (11A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
NeWest Residents (13C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Fresh Ambitions (13D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
High Rise Renters (13E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
2. Urban Periphery	1,781	10.4%	42	3,356	9.7%	55
Pacific Heights (2C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Rustbelt Traditions (5D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Urban Villages (7B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Urban Edge Families (7C)	647	3.8%	249	1,474	4.2%	24
Forging Opportunity (7D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
Southwestern Families (7F)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
City Lights (8A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
Bright Young Professionals (8C)	2	0.0%	1	5	0.0%	
Metro Fusion (11C)	1,132	6.6%	452	1,877	5.4%	410
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Diverse Convergence (13A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Family Extensions (13B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
3. Metro Cities	0	0.0%	0	4	0.0%	(
In Style (5B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Emerald City (8B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Front Porches (8E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Old and Newcomers (8F)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Hometown Heritage (8G)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
Retirement Communities (9E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Social Security Set (9F)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
Young and Restless (11B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
Set to Impress (11D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
City Commons (11E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	
Traditional Living (12B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	(
College Towns (14B)	0	0.0%	0	4	0.0%	:
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4. Suburban Periphery	15,395	89.6%	280	31,364	90.3%	271
Top Tier (1A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Professional Pride (1B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Boomburbs (1C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Savvy Suburbanites (1D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Exurbanites (1E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Urban Chic (2A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Pleasantville (2B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Enterprising Professionals (2D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Workday Drive (4A)	364	2.1%	69	835	2.4%	74
Home Improvement (4B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Comfortable Empty Nesters (5A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Parks and Rec (5C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Midlife Constants (5E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Up and Coming Families (7A)	15,031	87.5%	3,141	30,529	87.9%	2,992
Silver & Gold (9A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Golden Years (9B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
The Elders (9C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Military Proximity (14A)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
5. Semirural	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Middleburg (4C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Heartland Communities (6F)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Farm to Table (7E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Senior Escapes (9D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Down the Road (10D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Small Town Sincerity (12C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
6. Rural	1	0.0%	0	7	0.0%	O
Green Acres (6A)	1	0.0%	0	2	0.0%	0
Salt of the Earth (6B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
The Great Outdoors (6C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Prairie Living (6D)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Rural Resort Dwellers (6E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0
Southern Satellites (10A)	0	0.0%	0	5	0.0%	C
Rooted Rural (10B)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Economic BedRock (10C)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Rural Bypasses (10E)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
Unclassified (15)	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	C
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Appendix C

ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

Through engagement with residents, we saw that residents felt unheard by decision-makers and have heard that there is a perception that they are not prioritized. Kyle residents tended to think that development is growing too quickly and that there is a need to focus on things such as infrastructure, the transportation system, and the quality of development, including the potential businesses coming to Kyle.

We heard there is an urgent need to address water and wastewater capacity issues and that future development should not be approved without increasing capacity through additional regional plants. Notably, when asked if they were committed to making their community the best, the average response was significantly higher than any other questions. When asked what principles are most important for leaders to consider, the highest-rated principle was fiscal responsibility.

The numbers showed that most residents typically bought essentials inside Kyle but went outside of Kyle for leisure and entertainment. Social media brought in opinions from many, sharing that they would like to see more locally owned businesses, less fast food, fewer gas stations and convenience stores, and more nightlife, entertainment, and family-friendly destinations.

Residents identified a multitude of assets in their community. Some included Austin Community College and the Kyle Public Library, which play significant roles in fostering education and lifelong learning. Healthcare is well-catered with facilities like Ascension Seton Hays. The city has several active community organizations, such as Boy/Girl Scout Troops, Meals on Wheels, Hays County Food Bank, Kyle Area Senior Zone (KASZ), and Hays-Caldwell Women's Center. Various religious congregations contribute to the city's spiritual richness, including Rock Church and Fellowship Church at Plum Creek, among many others.

Further enriching the community were initiatives provided by the Job Corps, the Performing Arts Center, and the 4-H club. Parent associations, volunteer societies, and the Youth Advisory Council are also active in Kyle. Entities like the Kyle Chamber of Commerce and Greater San Marcos Partnership represented business and commerce well. Social services are strengthened by organizations such as Goodwill Industries of Central Texas and Austin Habitat for Humanity. Lastly, various clubs and academies were identified as assets due to their fostering of camaraderie and community spirit, including the Lions Club, Citizen Police Academy, Knights of Columbus, and San Marcos Rotary.

A recurring response that residents shared is that they moved to and remain in Kyle because of the affordable and available housing. However, they also expressed that they may soon be driven out due to rising costs and lack of availability.

A consistent community feedback item related to Kyle's "gold standard"; however, no one could define it. Residents acknowledged that having a "gold standard" is idealistic but not helpful if left undefined. Some felt that inconsistent development standards made it difficult for new developers to come to Kyle because many new developments seemed to be negotiated through planned development ordinances – requiring additional time and cost burdens.

Additionally, while the Vybe trail is seen as good intent, the community felt that guidelines must be more attractive and attainable for developers to contribute to building it. Also related to development, a perceived rivalry between Kyle's west and east side of Interstate 35 took away from good development in the city as a whole. Observers noted that there seems to be a constant self-imposed need to make development appear even; that is, an equal number of approvals or projects happening on each side – even if that means that "bad" or unwanted development is approved.

Finally, we heard that the engagement with residents is usually insufficient because it is difficult to access or understand or that residents cannot attend because they commute elsewhere for work, school, activities, etc. Residents also expressed that a lack of trust and increased frustration have built up over the years, and some even expressed a cynicism that current efforts will be any different.

KICK-OFF TRIP #1

10/26/2022-10/27/2022

Day #1 - October 26, 2022

Tour of City

 Verdunity staff drove around several locations throughout the city and ETJ to familiarize themselves with the area. This time was used to understand the geography of the city and the types of developments and take photos for the plan.

Meet with Staff

 The Planning staff and the Economic Development Director met to discuss critical concerns with the current plan and ongoing projects that may impact the new plan.

Kick-Off Event

- Station A Staff and Verdunity greeted guests, explained the project's timeline, displayed the QR code to access the website and survey, and asked them to sign in and provide their email to sign up for the mailing list.
- Station B Attendants were invited to share where they live/work inside/outside
 city limits by dropping pebbles in jars that corresponded with their response,
 where they go for fun/needs inside and outside of Kyle, how they get local
 information by noting down their answers on note cards.
- Station C Attendants were asked what the two most crucial decision-making priorities are by selecting two out of 10 cards and noting their reasoning on the back.
- Station D Attendants were invited to list assets by adding sticky notes on the board with what they consider an asset in each category.

Day #2 - October 27, 2022

Engagement at Summer Moon

 Customers of Summer Moon were invited to share where they live/work inside/outside city limits, where they go for fun/needs inside and outside of Kyle, and how they get local information by noting down their responses on note cards. They were also asked to list what they consider assets in each respective category.

Engagement at Texas Pie Company

 Customers of Texas Pie Company were invited to share where they live/work inside/outside city limits, where they go for fun/needs inside and outside of Kyle, and how they get local information by noting their responses on note cards. They were also asked to list what they consider assets in each respective category.

- P&Z Workshop
 - The Commission was asked to add to the list on the board what they consider an asset in each respective category.

HIGHLIGHTS:

STATION B: Inside/Outside (including Day 2 engagement)

All respondents during the Kick-Off live in Kyle, but only 46% work within Kyle, 29% work outside, and 25% are retired or disabled.

Top 5 Learn About What's Happening:

- 1. Social Media
- 2. Community Impact Newspaper
- 3. Word of Mouth
- 4. Website
- 5. KASZ Newsletter

The number one source where most residents receive their information is Facebook. This includes several groups, pages, and profiles, including the City page, City Council members, specified City pages, neighborhood groups, HOAs, and the local community group for Kyle.

Top 4 Buy/Do for Fun Outside Kyle:

- 1. Clothing
- 2. Restaurants
- 3. Sporting Goods (Academy, Cabelas)
- 4. Costco.

The most common thing people did outside of Kyle was shopping at places or for items not accessible in Kyle, such as clothing, sporting goods, specialized grocers, and bulk buying. Several responses also stated they go outside Kyle for more restaurant options.

Top 5 Buy/Do for Fun Inside Kyle:

- 1. Groceries
- 2. Food
- 3. Parks & City Events
- 4. Bowling/EVO
- 5. Clothing

Most residents buy groceries and clothes within Kyle and grab fast food, but fewer go to restaurants. For entertainment, the most common things to do are go to the City parks and EVO for bowling and movies.

STATION C: Decision-Making Principles

The top 5 responses are:

- 1. Fiscally Responsible
- 2. Innovation & New Ideas
- 3. Economic Prosperity
- 4. Neighborhoods for Everyone
- 5. Culture & History

Fiscal responsibility and innovative, new ideas are residents' top two priorities, giving the impression that they want change to come to Kyle responsibly. This aligns with the essential items Verdunity would incorporate into the Comprehensive Plan and will make it easier to convince people about concepts.

STATION D: Assets (including Day 2 engagement)

Top 3 Physical Assets

- 1. Parks and trails
- 2. Developing Downtown
- 3. Senior Center

Top 2 Economic Assets

- 1. Proposed Costco
- 2. HEB

Top 5 Community Assets

- 1. Parks and Recreation
- 2. Kyle Area Senior Zone
- 3. Churches
- 4. Library
- 5. Veterans of Foreign Wars

Top 4 Identification Assets

- 1. Train Depot
- 2. Mary Kyle Hartson Park
- 3. Downtown
- 4. Pie Capital

Top 6 Public Assets

- 1. Austin Community College
- 2. Library
- 3. Hospital
- 4. Healthcare Option
- 5. Senior Resources
- 6. Hays CISD

CPAC/P&Z WORKSHOP: ASSETS

Physical Assets

The Commission identified assets that include:

- City parks, trails, open space, the lake, and the creek
- Roadways, railways, and utilities
- Variety of available land, developments, and industries
- Proximity to surrounding metroplexes, Hill Country
- Affordability relative to Austin

Economic Assets

The Commission identified assets that include:

- A list of industries and businesses
- Proximity to surrounding airports
- Available land, space
- Events, festivals, markets
- Diverse housing, educated and remote workforce, higher median income
- Groups, organizations, districts
- Film Friendly community
- Opportunity to create a unique identity

Community Assets

The Commission identified assets that include:

- Many specific groups, such as seniors, faith, youth, political, sports, veterans
- Many service groups, including fraternities, humanitarian, scouts, Meals on Wheels, Hays County Food Bank
- Several places of worship
- Groups on social media such as Facebook, Next Door
- Businesses and establishments such as the library, Clebourne Log Cabin, Katherine Ann Porter House, Thrift Store, PAWS Shelter, cemetery
- Boards, committees, commissions, and other partners

Identification Assets

The Commission identified assets that include:

- Major roads, rails bridges
- Events, festivals
- Opportunity to Define Identity
- Texas Pie Co.
- Parks, centers, trails, and conservation districts
- Involved community and family-oriented (elder and youth)
- Affordability and access to surrounding metroplexes

Public Assets

The Commission identified assets that include:

- Emergency first responders and training
- Hospitals, Kyle Emergency Room, secondary practices, dental, eye care
- Public School Districts, secondary education, charter schools
- Utilities and service providers
- Uber 3.14, no sales tax elections
- Soil conservation districts, parks, pools, centers, library
- Major interstate
- Web presence

EDT WORKSHOP: ASSETS

11/09/2022

Physical Assets

The Board members identified assets that include:

- Schools, higher education
- Parks, open space, trails
- Emergency Services
- Infrastructure, roads, utilities
- Proximity to surrounding metroplexes, airports
- Downtown, specific developments, and industries

Economic Assets

The Board members identified assets that include:

- · Local and regional groups
- A list of industries and businesses, distribution centers
- Diverse housing, educated and remote workforce, higher median income
- · Proximity to surrounding airports and metroplexes
- Film Friendly community
- Incentive offerings, tax incentives
- Major roadways
- Large plants in the surrounding metroplexes.

Community Assets

The Board members identified assets that include:

- Local and regional groups, boards, committees, and commissions
- Many specific groups, such as seniors, faith, youth, sports, veterans
- Many service groups, including fraternities, humanitarian, Hays County Food Bank, 4H, PTAs,
- Several places of worship
- Centers such as Hays Caldwell Women's Center, mentoring at Rock Church, Job Corp.,
 Performing Arts Center
- Press and Communication

Identification Assets

The Board members identified assets that include:

- Events, festivals, event venues
- An open mindset, can-do spirit, diversity, and small-town feel with ample amenities
- Texas Pie Capital
- Plum Creek Golf Course
- Establishments such as the library, Clebourne Log Cabin, Katherine Ann Porter House

Public Assets

The Board members identified assets that include:

- Medical industriesBusiness, commun
- Business, community, and education partners
- First responders, training facility
- City staff, surrounding City, County, and State partners, regional community
- Simpler permitting process

SOCIAL MEDIA

FACEBOOK, as of 07/12/2023

There have been 26 posts using #Kyle2030. While some posts have been informational, sharing the ongoing surveys or events, the posts that have generated comments from the public asked, "What do you see in our city's future?" and "What would you 'fix' in Kyle?"

Many expressed the need for more pedestrian facilities, management of growth, and a focus on locally owned businesses. Some desired development includes more nightlife, grocery options, and family-oriented destinations. Many said they would like fewer apartment complexes, fast food, gas stations, and convenience stores. A shared concern was the lack of maintenance on the roadway system, needing to widen roads, and congestion throughout. Several mentioned that the decision-makers need to hear residents, developers are catered to, and fees are not fair (too high for the current residents and not enough for developers).

INSTAGRAM, as of 07/12/2023

On Instagram, comments on posts that utilized #Kyle2030 echoed similar sentiments as Facebook. A desire to stop, or slow down, building and conserve open spaces and protect wildlife was a suggestion, as was the introduction of fitness facilities like Gold's Gym or LA Fitness.

TWITTER, as of 07/12/2023,

No comments from the public.

NEXT DOOR, as of 07/12/2023

No posts using #Kyle2030

KYLE2030.COM, as of 07/19/2023

Implementation - For this station, the community was prompted to provide various specific, measurable, short-term actions that could be taken by the city of Kyle to improve the lives of its residents. Recommendations include addressing traffic congestion through alternatives to building more roads, promoting walkability, and discouraging things that contribute to sprawl. Other suggestions include enhancing recreational amenities, establishing a family recreation center, preserving history, promoting education, improving public transportation, diversifying businesses, upgrading infrastructure, engaging the community through brainstorming sessions and citizen groups, managing water resources, creating family-friendly neighborhoods, and developing a master plan for a community park.

Resources - The community was prompted to provide a list of resources and groups they believe are essential to include in an inventory for successful community implementation. Some suggested resources include city planner and author Jeff Speck's book *Walkable Cities* and the local school district and senior citizens group. Organizations like Kiwanis, community libraries, preservation associations, and alum groups are desired. The community wanted adult sports leagues, community groups similar to the Austin Volunteer Society, and amenities like gyms and saunas. Additionally, they mentioned engaging with regional partners like the Austin Chamber of Commerce, TxDOT, and Capital Metro for support and collaboration.

Prioritization - When asked about the one thing they would prioritize fixing in Kyle if it could be done immediately, the community members provided a wide range of responses. Improving public transit and walkability were common suggestions, focusing on creating a vibrant downtown area with family-friendly amenities, clean parks, and pedestrian-friendly infrastructure. Some expressed the need for better grocery store options, significantly an Asian/Indian grocery store, to reduce travel time. Addressing traffic congestion and improving roadways were prominent concerns, with calls for bike lanes, sidewalks, and better traffic flow management. Additionally, there were requests for more parks, local restaurants, and free family-friendly establishments.

SURVEY #1

The Vibrant Community Assessment is an assessment for respondents that asks them to give specific rankings of how their community is performing in each of ten categories, each of which is a key indicator of vibrancy. Participants can see the qualities of a community functioning at a 1 (low performance) and that of a community functioning at a 10 (high performance). Then, they are asked to rank the place they call home. The assessment is a tool based on the book Building a Vibrant Community: How Citizen-Powered Change is Reshaping America by Quint Studer.

The assessment ran from 10/24/2022 through 12/31/2022. 515 responses were collected.

Q1. CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT - how engaged are your community's citizens?

Mean Score: 4.57

Q2. ABILITY TO KEEP TALENT AT HOME - how likely is it that young people will live and work in the community after graduating from high school or college?

Mean Score: 3.70

Q3. ABILITY TO ATTRACT NEW BUSINESSES/TALENT - how attractive is your town to new businesses and/or talent?

Mean Score: 5.43

Q4. QUALITY OF EDUCATION - how strong is your education system?

Mean Score: 5.38

Q5. VIBRANCY OF DOWNTOWN - how vibrant is your downtown?

Mean Score: 3.67

Q6. ABILITY TO GET WEALTH OFF THE SIDELINES - how successful are you at getting wealth off the sidelines and encouraging people to invest in the community?

Mean Score: 3.89

Q7. EASE OF DOING BUSINESS - how easy is it to create and run a small business in your community?

Mean Score: 4.52

Q8. TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESS - how likely are small business owners to receive the training and development they need to thrive long-term?

Mean Score: 3.91

Q9. OBJECTIVE MEASUREMENT & TRACKING OF OUTCOMES - how proficient is your community at measuring, tracking, and reporting outcomes and results and making objective decisions based on them?

Mean Score: 4.36

Q10. ALIGNMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES - to what extent are local government entities aligned and successful at working together to create a better quality of life for your community?

Mean Score: 4.56

Q11. CITY'S BIGGEST OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE - please describe what you feel the city's biggest opportunity to improve is.

Most common: Roads, infrastructure, restaurants, businesses, downtown

Q12. CITY'S BIGGEST CHALLENGE - please describe what you feel the city's biggest challenge is.

Most common: Traffic, infrastructure, roads, growth

Q13. COMMITMENT - how committed are you to making your community the best it can be? **Mean:** 7.58 This number is significant because it indicates a higher-than-average expression of commitment by community residents. This signals a healthy spirit of volunteerism in Kyle, which can be capitalized on for implementing the plan.

Q14. LIVED IN THE COMMUNITY - How long have you lived in the community?

21.17% - 2 years or less

18.64% - 3-5 years

21.36% - 6-10 years

29.51% - 11-25 years

5.63% - More than 25 years

2.33% - I'm not a resident of the city but do live in Hays County

1.36% - I'm not a resident of the city, nor am I a resident of Hays County

Overall, the mean score of the assessment was low, with a range of 3.67 to 5.38. The only response that received a higher response was when asking respondents if they were committed to making their community the best it can be. The answers, including roads and infrastructure, are very similar when asked about the most significant improvement opportunities and the biggest challenge. Almost 30% of residents have lived in Kyle for 11-25 years, and nearly 60% have moved within the last ten years.

SURVEY #2

Q1. When decisions are made in Kyle, what two principles do you think are the most important for leaders to consider? □ Fiscally Responsible 40.99% □ Public Health & Safety 26.71% □ Open & Transparent 24.43%	
Q2. What two things do you think of most when you think of Kyle? (Pick 2) Downtown, Historic Buildings 50.00% Natural and Open Space (ex: Plum Creek)	
40.13% Q3. What two things do you value the most about Kyle? □ Parks, trails, and open space 43.66% □ Location, proximity to metros	
41.51% 193 Q4. What do you think are the two biggest challenges Kyle faces today? ☐ Traffic congestion on local roads (excludes I-35) 75.59%	
☐ Limited retail and dining options 51.40%	
Q5. What two things would you like to see more of in Kyle? Locally owned businesses 32.17% Family restaurants 33.04% Parks, trails, open spaces, and sports facilities 31.30% Variety of grocers 30.22%	
Q6. What are two changes you would like to see in Kyle? ☐ More parks, trails, open spaces, and sports facilities/leagues	

61.56% Other (please specify) 31.78% Most common: maintenance and improvements on transportation network and infrastructure.
Q7. In what ways would you be willing to invest more of your time, energy, or money into to make Kyle better? Please select all that apply. Use Volunteering at events and festivals 27.48% Volunteering for cleanups, painting, and maintenance projects that benefit the community 36.49%
Q8. How would you describe what makes Kyle special? Most common: small town feel, affordable, location between two metros
Q9. If you had to name a single item which was the biggest factor in your reason for moving to and staying in Kyle, what would it be? Housing Cost 39.64% Closeness to Austin 21.85%
Q10. Name something that Kyle has that no other nearby community has.

Survey #2 confirmed that the respondents are interested in being fiscally responsible as a city with almost 41% voting it as a principle that they think is the most important for leaders to consider. Many hold the downtown and open space, parks, and trails in high value through their responses. Other notable reactions were that many value the proximity to Austin and San Antonio. Many commented on the traffic being an issue and noted that there needs to be maintenance and improvements on the transportation system, and infrastructure needs to be maintained and improved. Respondents' most common responses also included Kyle's affordability compared to Austin's. However, responses also suggested that increasing taxes and home values or the intense growth plan might drive them out.

Most common: most responded by saying N/A, no, or none.

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

Vision in Kyle

- Kyle needs a unified vision. Many felt growth is happening haphazardly and reactively.
 There is a universal feeling that an attempt in the past to have a cohesive vision has taken place through the building materials downtown. It wasn't fully realized.
- Some report tensions between East and West Kyle and Old and New Kyle that are difficult to resolve.
- Some commented that it doesn't appear the council or community holds a comprehensive plan in high regard.
- When asked about the "Gold Standard," responses were that neither they nor the community know or understand what that means.

Perception of Kyle

- The broad consensus was that Kyle is still perceived as a bedroom community.
- There is general concern about how quickly the boundaries have grown and the adequacy of infrastructure to support and serve it.
- Some mentioned that there is a perception that it is challenging to develop Kyle because of inconsistent or uncertain answers and unclear regulations.
- The City tries to put out information, but generally, it only reaches some, or the community is apathetic about it. This is compounded by the number of new people coming in and the fact that so many people live in Kyle but commute to work elsewhere, limiting their time and ability to get involved.

Lessons Learned to Keep in Mind

- Despite insufficient staffing, the City has done an admirable job of keeping up with all the growth.
- Engagement essentially requires people to find things (i.e., go to the website, scroll through looking for events, walk into City Hall) as opposed to the information finding them (i.e., outdoor banners and signage, TV and radio ads, pushing information out through local groups).
- There is a common fear that Kyle will be overwhelmed by growth, and some shared that the City must learn from how quickly it has happened elsewhere south of Austin.
- Several recommended that clear guidelines for new construction and businesses would help make it easier to navigate the development process.
- A unified and unique sense of design is a lesson some offer, based on the lack thereof at present.
- The pressure of the exploding growth strains communications between the city and other entities that need to share information regularly, which should be carefully avoided moving forward. An example given of where communication was assertive was with the public safety center.
- Kyle must understand the imbalance between housing costs and income and how financing realities work in the development community.

- A frequent sentiment was that Kyle needs to grow "in the right way" and use incentives where it makes the most long-term sense.
- One opinion raised repeatedly was that the City shares much information with the public.
 Still, it often isn't "translated" in a way that the average citizen can follow and understand.

Ideas Shared

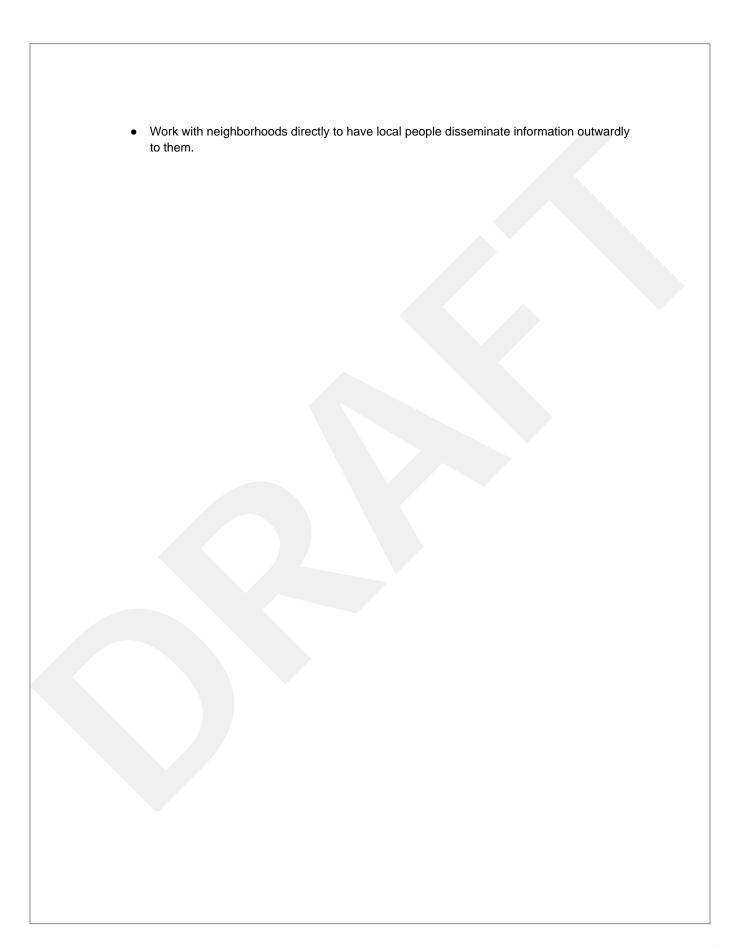
- Engagement that is above and beyond the typical meeting framework was highly suggested.
- Set up a utility council to inform utility companies of developments and coordinate proactively.
- Create a resource to explain how property taxes work efficiently this is a common source of contention and misunderstanding.
- Demystify board agendas and meetings so the public can follow what's happening.
- Being able to sell Kyle better also helps attract the employees that employers are ideally looking for.

Most Time-Sensitive Challenges to Tackle

- Have land ready for development (zoned, for example).
- Identifying where things need to go (geographically) and ensuring sufficient infrastructure for those areas to develop fully.
- Figure Identify who Kyle primarily wants to attract and embrace as a blue-collar employment center.
- Address transportation constraints not just traffic, but the ability for people to be mobile throughout the community.
- Getting clear about the execution of the Vybe trail so it is clear how it will be implemented during development.
- A common challenge is that the City of Kyle is perceived as not open to partnering with others or thinking regionally.
- Achieving the construction of the senior center.
- There are widespread concerns about water, sewer, and road infrastructure their condition, proximity, and capacity.
- A walkable community (and not just around the square).
- City Hall needs stability internally because the lack thereof dramatically impacts the community.

Getting the Community Involved

- Set up at community events and be clear about what is being asked of the community members - what is the time commitment, what is the task, what will they be doing?
- Bring in the HOAs; they are well-organized.
- Rely on Kyle's existing service and interest groups, who know the most influential people, to help with efforts.
- Realize that everyone doesn't get information the same way.
- Overcome the perception that speaking at public hearings doesn't do good.



COCOA AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

12/10/2022

STATION B:

What do you buy outside of Kyle? Do for fun outside of Kyle?

Fun:

Responses include visiting surrounding cities for entertainment, such as museums, events, restaurants, markets, outdoors, or nightlife.

Buy:

Responses include retail shopping, electronics, clothing, furniture, and some grocers, shopping at local businesses, and dining at restaurants.

What do you: buy inside of Kyle? Do for fun inside Kyle?

Fun:

Responses include going to EVO, coffee shops, restaurants, socializing, events, shopping, city parks, and recreation.

Buy:

Responses include groceries, household items, restaurants, fast food, dining, gas, and hardware stores.

Where do you live and work?

• Retired: 3

Live Inside City Limits: 7
Live Outside City Limits: 2
Work Outside City Limits: 3
Work Inside City Limits: 6

How do you learn about what's happening in Kyle?

Responses include the city website, news, newspapers, social media, next door, billboards, public meetings, email lists, and word of mouth.

STATION C:

Top 3 Guiding Principles:

- Culture and History
- Open and Transparent
- Fiscally Responsible

STATION D:

Community Assets

Responses include several city parks and facilities, churches, the VFW, culture, diversity, and community.

Public Assets:

Responses include several medical facilities, schools from Hays County ISD to ACC, local government, state representatives, infrastructure, and the growing trails.

Physical Assets

Responses include downtown, parks, trails, open spaces, and the ranch community.

Identity Assets

Responses included history, the people, events, downtown, engagement, the slight town feel, and the openness to change.

Economic Assets

Responses included the willingness to invest, being located between San Antonio and Austin, a growing economic corridor, and businesses.

GROWTH & LAND USE TRIP #2

02/13/2023 - 02/15/2023

Day #1 - February 13, 2023

- Meet with Staff
 - Verdunity presented to the department heads and the other community stakeholders the basis of the comprehensive plan followed by the land use fiscal analysis results.
- Community Workshop with the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council
 - Verdunity presented to the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council the basis of the comprehensive plan followed by the land use fiscal analysis results.
 Three key takeaways from the fiscal analysis were used to close the presentation.
 - Takeaway 1 A replacement for development revenue must be determined now.
 - Takeaway 2 Kyle is at an inflection point wherein policy decisions will determine whether or not you continue to have affordable housing.
 - Takeaway 3 A growth management policy that supports a fiscally sustainable development pattern is needed.
- Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council Workshop
 - Verdunity asked the Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z) and City Council
 questions about the three key takeaways from the fiscal land use analysis.
 - P&Z and City Council were evenly divided on increasing property tax revenues and sales tax revenues to replace development revenues in the future
 - Most of this group responded that 21-30% of the total home inventory in Kyle should be affordable.
 - Most of this group responded that 11-30% of the total rental inventory in Kyle should be affordable.
 - Most of this group responded favorably to introducing various intensity levels into residential neighborhoods. They were comfortable with most levels shown; at the upper end of the intensity scale, they felt there might be certain circumstances in which that level might or might not be consistent with the community's character.

Day #2 - February 14, 2023

- Meet with Staff
 - Verdunity met with the Finance Director, City administration, City Engineer, Parks Department, and Planning staff to discuss ongoing issues or priorities to consider in drafting the comprehensive plan.

Day #3 - February 15, 2023

- · Meet with Planning Staff
 - Verdunity met with Planning Staff to discuss future land use-related issues, proposals, and other items that should be considered.
- Community Event Fire Station #2
 - Residents were asked to share which building typologies they believe are most appropriate in each respective placetype. Then residents identified where the placetypes would be most suitable on the overall aerial map and city quadrants.
- Community Event 4 Quadrants
 - Residents were asked to share which building typologies they believe are most appropriate in each respective placetype. Then residents identified where the placetypes would be most relevant on the overall aerial map and specific quadrants of the city in which they were located.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council expressed through the poll questions that the majority supported varying building typologies and densities in neighborhoods throughout or in certain city areas.

During conversations with staff, it was made clear that there needs to be more capacity for services that would be able to serve any proposed development. The solution for water capacity is the regional plant, whose completion is nearing the end. The wastewater capacity will require an expansion to the existing plant for some additional capacity while a new regional plant is constructed.

There are several improvements and projects that are in the works or will be coming up soon that need to be accounted for. The budget is constantly being amended to adjust for new projects, the initial projects tend to be delayed, and maintenance is seen as unimportant. Many fees will be added or increased soon, which leaves little room for adding to the taxpayers' burden.

Several park projects are occurring, and regular maintenance is being performed. A bond, others by the budget fund some projects. An issue affecting the department's performance is that the city is growing quickly, but the staff is increasing at a different pace despite additional positions being created yearly.

Regarding infrastructure, the transportation plan is less of a concern than the utilities. Residents express their concern with traffic on social media, but the focus needs to be on utilities. The ongoing issue with roadways requires maintenance instead of constructing new roads. The City owns equipment for the maintenance of the roads but not for the construction of new streets.

The Vybe trail is a good concept, but the Vybe Spots should have considered the wastewater model and added strain to the capacity. Sidewalks are currently being constructed, but there is pushback for bike lanes due to the maintenance and adding cyclists to the roads.

Development is encouraged to be standard zoning when small in scale. If a PUD is large in scale or complex, it is seen as controversial. When architectural standards are discussed, a development agreement is then approved. Approvals of PUDs are typically preferred due to the ability to approve a concept plan and have visuals of the final product.

Discussions with the Planning Staff helped identify many areas throughout Kyle that are opportunities for growth and others that need a little extra help. The current code has some flaws documented through processing PUDs and plats, which must be addressed once the comprehensive plan is completed.

The placetypes and respective building typologies received the following votes in support. The mapping exercise will be used to finalize the first draft of the Future Land Use Map.

Rural Estate:

Single-family Detached: 24
Accessory Dwelling Units: 15
Neighborhood Scale: 21

Traditional Mixed Use:

Single-family Detached: 16Accessory Dwelling Units: 9

Cottage Courts: 17
Townhouse: 12
Smallplex: 12
Live-Work: 14
Few Over: 10

Neighborhood Scale: 18

Urban Village:

Townhouse: 17
Smallplex: 11
Apartments: 4
Live-work: 12
Few Over: 20
Many Over: 6
Neighborhood: 21
Regional Scale: 5

Regional Commercial:

Many Over: 9

Neighborhood Scale: 19Regional Scale: 10Industrial: 0

Industrial:

Live-work: 11Industrial: 16

GROWTH SCENARIOS TRIP #3

Day #1 - May 22, 2023

- Growth Scenarios Meeting with Staff
 - Verdunity presented and reviewed two growth scenarios with City Staff and discussed the outcomes and expected tradeoffs, answered questions, and gathered concerns/input.
- Community Engagement Events 1 & 2: Scenario Review
 - Verdunity greeted members of the public at the Kyle Public Works Building and Kyle City Hall and guided them to stations where two growth scenarios for the city were displayed. These events occurred at 1-4 PM and 5-8 PM, respectively. During this time, Verdunity encouraged community members to review and discuss the outcomes and expected trade-offs and invited them to answer questions and provide concerns and input.
 - Key Takeaway Most residents supported diversifying the housing stock and adopting a more efficient development pattern. They want to see new uses that benefit the community as a whole, focusing on more parks, night (dark) sky initiatives, and places that are accessible and compatible for all. They emphasized the importance of ensuring that such development offers high-quality amenities to the public, including improved public spaces and walkability. Moreover, residents advocated for an equitable distribution of development across the entire city.

Day #2 - May 23, 2023

- Utility Capacity Meeting with Staff
 - Verdunity met with City staff to identify where capacity, topography, or other issues the consultants might need to be made aware of might limit or justify modifications to the Future Land Use Map from Trip 2 and the Growth Scenario Maps from the day prior.
 - Takeaway 1 Diffusing density around the community, rather than concentrating it in specific locations, is easier to serve with the existing and planned infrastructure networks.
 - Takeaway 2 There are capacity and pressure issues in and around Kyle, and there will need to be some strategic planning and design to address these issues as development and redevelopment come in.
- City Council and Planning & Zoning Commission Workshop
 - Verdunity presented and reviewed a spectrum between two growth scenarios with the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission. During this time, the group discussed the outcomes and expected tradeoffs of each. Verdunity shared information about what had been heard/collected from Day 1 activities, answered questions, and gathered concerns/input. This activity aimed to get consensus

from the group and leave the meeting with a selected or modified scenario to move forward with.

- Takeaway 1 The group approved Growth Scenario #2, stipulating maintaining and enhancing quality of life. They emphasized the importance of parks and recreational elements in higher-density areas to preserve the aspects encompassing the "American Dream," such as spending time outside as a family, fostering neighborly interactions, and having a personal haven.
- Takeaway 2 The group supports diversifying housing options and promoting affordability throughout the city. However, they suggest rebranding to address the misconception about affordable housing, particularly concerning mobile homes, crime, and drugs.
- Takeaway 3 The group supports that Growth Scenario #2 can enhance walkability and connectivity throughout the city. They anticipate increased density, including trails, light rail, and other mobility assets, will facilitate improved access to various parts of the city. While the group acknowledges the importance of personal vehicles for residents, they also recognize the potential benefits of introducing alternative forms of transportation.

HIGHLIGHTS:

Residents liked Growth Scenario #2 and advocated for incorporating diverse building typologies and densities in neighborhoods across the entire city or specifically in designated areas. They also expressed a desire to preserve farmland and natural open spaces while embracing the idea of allowing small businesses within neighborhoods. They are eager for enhanced inter-neighborhood connectivity and improved walkability. Creating inviting gathering areas and parks and introducing new transportation options to enhance mobility is essential. Moreover, the residents emphasized the significance of fostering inclusivity within the community, aiming to establish a strong sense of belonging for Kyle's current and prospective residents.

The Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council approved Growth Scenario #2 but emphasized the need to maintain and enhance quality of life. Parks and recreational elements are essential in higher-density areas to preserve aspects of the "American Dream" and promote family time and neighborly interactions. The group supported diversifying housing options and promoting affordability throughout the city and wanted to address the misconceptions about affordable housing through rebranding. Walkability and connectivity are expected to improve under Growth Scenario #2, with increased density and including trails, light rail, and other mobility assets. The group acknowledged the importance of personal vehicles but wanted the community to recognize the benefits of introducing alternative forms of transportation.

IMPLEMENTATION TRIP #4

Day #1 - July 11, 2023 (1/2 day)

- Community Engagement Events 1 & 2: Implementation
 - Verdunity greeted community members at the Texas Pie Company and Kyle City Hall and guided them to stations that displayed a sampling of implementation recommendations and actions for Kyle and community resources identified throughout the planning process. The full implementation strategy will be prepared during August, to include input from this trip. These events occurred at 1-3 PM and 5-8 PM, respectively. During this time, Verdunity encouraged community members to review and discuss the recommendations for the comprehensive plan, identify community resources needed to accomplish the plan's implementation and invite them to answer questions and provide feedback.
 - Key Takeaways -
 - Action Prioritization:
 - #1 priority for <u>align decisions with the community's principles</u>:
 Define the "gold standard" so that residents, developers, businesses, and others interested in Kyle know what it means and how it is applied.
 - #1 priority for <u>support the creation of complete and cohesive</u>
 <u>neighborhoods citywide</u>: Review neighborhood development
 proposals for conformity with the "Traditional Neighborhood" place
 type. Provide feedback on incorporating mixed-use spaces,
 diverse housing, and preservation of open spaces.
 - #1 priority for <u>encourage a development pattern that preserves</u>
 <u>green spaces</u>: Build a comprehensive map and accompanying
 GIS data to identify natural and environmentally sensitive areas in
 Kyle that should be preserved.
 - Community Resources
 - On top of previously identified resources in Kyle, the community identified the following additional resources:
 - Hays County Historical Commission
 - Preservation Associates Inc
 - o St. Anthony's Catholic Church
 - o Kyle Baptist Church
 - Kyle Depot & Heritage Center
 - o Homeowners Associations
 - o FEMA
 - o For the Love of Go!
 - PAWS
 - o Live Oak Masonic Lodge
 - o VFW

- o AMVETS
- o Kyle & Plum Creek Garden Clubs
- Hays Latinos United
- Crafting Implementable Actions
 - Residents eagerly took on the role of city planners, sharing their
 unique ideas and views to shape a plan for Kyle's future. The
 activity focused on neighborhoods, transportation, and
 businesses. The insights gathered were used to adjust the actions
 initially laid out by Verdunity, ensuring they indeed mirrored
 community sentiment.

Day #2 - July 12, 2023 (full day)

- Meeting with Staff
 - o During this meeting, the consultants and staff discussed the budget and capital improvement plan for the upcoming year(s). During these discussions and preparations, Verdunity sought insights on various factors: (1) potential adjustments to revenue sources, (3) the likely capital projects to be funded or not funded, (4) the capital improvement project ranking process, and (5) the staff's priorities in preparing this year's budget, etc. This information proved vital in ensuring that the plan's recommendations maintained consistency.
- Joint Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council Workshop
 - Consultants from Verdunity led the group through an exercise designed to familiarize them with developing an implementation strategy. The discussion centered on the distinction between recommendations and actions and how they form a robust method for the city to execute the final comprehensive plan. Other topics discussed included the implementation process, the various tools used in its execution, and the essential aspects of linking this strategy back to the feedback received until that point. The consultants walked the attendees through how to craft actionable steps, followed by a conversation of how a continuing process of refinement and updating is necessary to help the plan remain relevant and useful as transitions in elected officials and city staff changes over time. The recognition and dialogue about challenges they will face in implementation of the plan wrapped up the workshop.

HIGHLIGHTS

This trip included collaborating with the community and elected officials through discussions on the future of Kyle. High on the agenda was prioritizing actions that align with the community's principles, creating complete and cohesive neighborhoods, and preserving green spaces. One key action identified was defining Kyle's "gold standard" for community members to ensure a shared understanding of future development goals. Attendees also recommended reviewing neighborhood development proposals for consistency with a "Traditional Neighborhood" placetype and creating a comprehensive map of areas with environmental significance. Several new community resources were identified during these discussions, including local churches,

homeowners associations, and community organizations. Attendees engaged in active city planning, sharing insights to refine Verdunity's proposed actions, reflecting solid alignment with community sentiments.

Appendix D

COMMUNITY RESOURCES LIST

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AMVETS

Austin Community College

Austin Habitat for Humanity

Austin Volunteer Society

Ascension Seton Hays

Boy/Girl Scout Troops

Choice Living Community

Citizen Police Academy

Communities in Schools - Central TX

Fellowship Church at Plum Creek

FEMA

For the Love of Go!

Goodwill Industries of Central TX

Greater San Marcos Partnership

Hays-Caldwell Women's Center

Hays CISD

Hays County Historical Commission

Hays Latinos United

Homeowners Associations

Job Corps

Kiwanis

Knights of Columbus

Kyle Area Youth Advisory Council

Kyle Baptist Church

Kyle Chamber of Commerce

Kyle Depot & Heritage Center

Kyle Public Library

Kyle Area Senior Zone

Kyle United Methodist Church

Kyle & Plum Creek Garden Clubs

Lions Club

Live Oak Masonic Lodge

Meals on Wheels/Hays County Food Bank

One Chapel Kyle

PAWS

Performing Arts Center

Preservation Associates Inc

PTAs/PTOs

Rock Church

San Marcos Rotary

Southside Community Center

St. Anthony's Catholic Church

The Door Church

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