



City of Benbrook

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 02/20/20	REFERENCE NUMBER: PZ-2020-01	SUBJECT: Adopt Ordinance updating the Benbrook Comprehensive Plan	PAGE: 1 of 1
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The Benbrook Comprehensive Plan update began in January 2019. The City Council appointed a seven-member Steering Committee, supported by Staff, to lead the update process. The committee met once a month to review and provide comment on the various plan elements. During the early months of the plan update, Staff met with key stakeholders and property owners to gain a better understanding of their desired land use goals. This information, along with existing and future land use and demographic data, was presented to the committee. The committee completed their work in August 2019.

In October 2019, during separate work sessions, Staff presented the Steering Committee's recommendations to the Benbrook Parks and Recreation Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission for their review and input. Both Boards were supportive of the Committee's recommendations. The plan was then presented to the public during a public open house held on November 12, 2019. Residents had an opportunity to review the key plan elements and provide comment.

Following the public open house, the plan was made available on-line and in-person for additional public review and comment through December 12, 2019. The comments were presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission during a final work session held on December 12, 2019. In accordance with State Law and the Benbrook City Charter, the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on January 9, 2020 and unanimously recommended approval of the updated Comprehensive Plan.

The primary objectives of the plan update were to remove out-of-date material, update the land use and transportation sections for vacant properties located within the City and its extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) and to establish a more user friendly and readable plan. The plan further establishes a new overall vision for the City – "Making Benbrook Your Hometown", while maintaining the City's core tenets and principles. One of the more significant recommendations of the plan is the proposed establishment a new downtown area, anchored by a new municipal complex, along Winscott Road south of I-20.

The Benbrook Comprehensive Plan is a guidance document and does not contain any regulatory language.

Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendation

Move to accept the ordinance adopting the Comprehensive Plan, as presented.

Attachments - Comprehensive Plan

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CITY MANAGER		DATE: