

What is a Neighborhood Plan?

A neighborhood plan is a long-term guide that outlines a community's values, visions, and aspirations for growth, development, and preservation. It establishes goals, policies, and strategies for land use, housing, transportation, infrastructure, and public services to ensure sustainable and thoughtful development. It is a tool to prepare for change, and serves as a foundation for things such as budget decisions, zoning and development proposals, funding opportunities, and more.

Why is a Neighborhood Plan important for Madisonville?

While there have been City approved plans that include Madisonville, this is an opportunity for the first neighborhood-wide plan that solely focuses on Madisonville to be approved by City Council. The plan will provide a unified framework for decision-making, addressing community identified needs and priorities identified throughout the planning process.

What happens if a community doesn't have a Neighborhood Plan?

Without a plan, growth and development, decision making, and prioritization of resources may occur in a disjointed way with unintended consequences. This can lead to challenges including incompatible development projects, traffic congestion, overcrowding, infrastructure strain, etc. It can also result in missed opportunities for economic growth and community improvements.

Who creates the Neighborhood Plan?

You! Neighborhood plans are created by the input of residents, businesses, property owners, students and community stakeholders throughout the process. Public input is a critical part of developing a neighborhood plan. Residents can participate through surveys, community meetings, public hearings, and workshops to share their concerns and ideas. The City of Cincinnati, along with planning consultants (McBride Dale Clarion and PlanningNEXT) help draft the plan based on community feedback and data analysis.

Do I have to be an expert to contribute ideas or get involved?

If you live or work in Madisonville, you are an expert! No one knows the community better than you.

How is the Neighborhood Plan implemented?

The plan itself is a guiding document, not a law. However, the City may update zoning codes and regulations based on the plan's recommendations to ensure orderly development and land use consistency. Also, the plan helps to guide how City money is used in the neighborhood and can be used as an effective tool to win State, Federal, and nonprofit grants.

What is the timeline for completing the plan?

The plan is anticipated to be completed in Spring 2026.

Where can I learn more?

For more information and continued updates throughout the process, please visit: www.cincinnati-oh.gov/planning/neighborhood-plans/ongoing-neighborhood-planning-processes/madisonville/

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