

Polk County 2050 Comprehensive Plan Update



01. What is your Zip Code?

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02. How long have you lived in Polk County?

☐ Less than 1 year
☐ 1-2 Years
☐ 3-5 Years
☐ 5-10 Years
☐ More than 10 Years

03. What is your relationship to the County?

Select all that apply
☐ I live in the County
☐ I own a business in the County
☐ I work in the County
☐ I go to school in the County
☐ I attend regularly scheduled events/services (e.g. church services or organizational meetings) in the County
☐ I visit the County often
☐ Other (please specify below)

04. What is your age?

☐ Under 18
☐ 18 to 24
☐ 25 to 44
☐ 45 to 64
☐ 65 and over

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05. Select from the following list that best describes your employment status:

Select all that apply
☐ Student
☐ Employed part-time
☐ Employed full-time
☐ Unemployed
☐ Retired
☐ Not employed for other reason

06. What is the highest level of formal education that you have completed?

Select one answer only
☐ Middle School
☐ High School Diploma (or GED)
☐ Technical/Vocational School
☐ College Associate's
☐ College, Bachelor (BA or BS)
☐ College, Post-Graduate (Masters/Doctorate)
☐ Other (please specify below)

07. Do you plan to participate in one of the upcoming Visioning Workshops for the Polk County 2050 Comprehensive Plan Update process?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Maybe

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08. How familiar are you with the following planning concepts?

Terminology	Not Familiar (Never heard of the term)	Somewhat Familiar (Heard of the term but not sure what It means)	Familiar (Vaguely understand what the term means but could not define it)	Very Familiar (Could define the term to a friend or colleague)
<i>Comprehensive Plan</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Future Land Use</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Land Development Code</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Zoning</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Density & Intensity</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Affordable Housing</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Urban, Suburban, & Rural</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Roadway Capacity</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐
<i>Level of Service</i>	☐	☐	☐	☐

09. What are the top concerns you have related to future growth within the County?

Select between 1 and 3 answers
☐ Infrastructure (roadways, utilities, etc.)
☐ Traffic congestion
☐ Housing affordability
☐ Impact on the natural environment
☐ Elimination of agricultural lands
☐ Crime
☐ Overcrowded schools
☐ Change in community character
☐ Pedestrian safety

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☐ Reuse of former agricultural buildings
☐ Conflicts between industrial and residential
☐ Non-residential uses located too close to residential
☐ Non-residential uses located too far from residential
☐ I do not think the County will experience any of these issues
☐ Land Preservation
☐ Other (please specify below)

10. Which of the following initiatives should be prioritized within the comprehensive plan update?

Select between 1 and 6 answers
☐ Ensure residents of all income levels have safe and affordable housing options
☐ Expand our parks and recreation options
☐ Preserve/conserve our natural environment and wildlife habitats
☐ Protect rural and agricultural lands by directing growth to areas already served by infrastructure
☐ Support the creation of walkable activity centers where you can live, work, and play
☐ Focus on the revitalization and redevelopment of older, underutilized areas
☐ Improve access to (and better utilization of) the waterfront
☐ Enhance the overall appearance and image of the County
☐ Upgrade the transportation system to better accommodate walking and biking
☐ Upgrade the transportation system to better accommodate transit riding
☐ Improve and expand roadway infrastructure
☐ Preserve rural areas/character
☐ Address stormwater drainage and flooding concerns
☐ Ensure an adequate water supply for existing and future populations
☐ Focus on resiliency, disaster preparedness, and recovery

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☐ Expand workforce training opportunities
☐ Improve the County's public school system
☐ Increase public and private-sector employment opportunities
☐ Protect and promote historic resources
☐ Expand arts and cultural opportunities
☐ Improve public safety/emergency response
☐ Increase access to local, fresh, and affordable foods
☐ Increase economic growth (more business opportunities, new jobs)
☐ Other (please specify below)

11. What type of development should the County prioritize within the next 25 years?

Select one answer only
☐ Suburban (low density, primarily single-family housing, car-dependent)
☐ Urban (medium to high density, mix of single and multi-family housing, several available modes of transportation)
☐ Limited (a limit on the number of acres amended per year, limit on the number of permits, etc.)
☐ No Growth

12. What other items would you like the County to consider as it continues to draft the 2050 Comprehensive Plan?

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13. If you had a friend or relative moving to Polk County, what would you tell them are the positives and negatives of living in the County?

14. Thank you for taking the survey. If you would like to be notified about upcoming project-related information & events, please provide your email below.