

BLUEPRINT PLAN

A CITYWIDE PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF OAK RIDGE

WHAT THE PLAN WILL INCLUDE :

OVER-ARCHING VALUES

OUR NATURAL ASSETS
TECHNOLOGY / INNOVATION / SCIENCE
EDUCATION IS A HIGH PRIORITY
BEING UNIQUELY OAK RIDGE

GOALS

Grow our Population and Economic Sustainability
Enhance the City's Image and Quality of Place
Improve Connectivity and Mobility

PLANNING CONCEPTS

PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

Feedback generated during the Blueprint process, as well as analysis of existing conditions and plans, are being translated into recommendations like the ones printed below.

The list is still growing and will be organized into categories, shown to the right, to capture the many comments, ideas and projects suggested by community members, and to organize them in a meaningful and effective way.

NEXT STEPS

Key recommendations will be prioritized to be completed within 5 or 15 years, and monitored each year for progress.

CATEGORIES FOR PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

ECONOMIC VITALITY & SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

Develop a healthy, diversified local economy that can support a dynamic and growing population.

RECREATION & NATURAL ASSETS

Cultivate and maintain a beautiful and healthy natural environment that is accessible to everyone.

TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY

Provide a primarily safe network of vehicular and pedestrian circulation that produces a walkable environment of visual attractiveness, comfort, accessibility and connectivity.

HOUSING & HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS

Improve housing stock to broaden housing choices, increase ownership opportunities, improve our regional market position and increase housing values and tax base.

LAND USE & INFRASTRUCTURE

Promote policies of "Smart Growth," including a mix of land uses, compact development, and preserved open space, in order to serve a range of age, income, and other local population groups.

LIVABILITY & COMMUNITY VIBRANCY

Foster a distinctive, attractive community with a strong sense of place.

Here is a *short list* of DRAFT PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

- . Plan for public projects that can attract and leverage private investment and revitalization projects
- . Promote locally-owned and independent businesses
- . Develop tourism and recreation as a steady base of the local economy
- . Better engage with the knowledge, experience, and resources within the local senior population
- . Support the housing plan and strategy that is being developed by a consortium of local housing-related organizations and agencies to meet the economic and mobility needs of the community
- . Improve pedestrian walkability and connectivity throughout the City, such as adding a network of urban trails that will connect the future CSX Rails-to-Trails greenway to neighborhoods and recreation areas
- . Focus land use policies and strategic public investment that will help create an active city center for Oak Ridge
- . Improve safety and traffic circulation through regular monitoring and maintenance of roads and sidewalks. Evaluate citywide road and intersection design, traffic control, etc, and recommend improvements, incorporating Complete Street design
- . Coordinate visibility of the new National Park to promote the image of Oak Ridge
- . Build on community pride and support to generate positive incentives and property maintenance, beautification, and public art programs
- . Enable an educated and engaged citizenry to interact or participate in City Boards and Commissions. Provide better communication to citizens about project review and decision-making

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

<http://oakridgetn.gov/online/blueprint>

Visit the Community Development office at the **Municipal Building** to view maps and more information

Public open house meetings will be announced in **January 2019**

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SHARE YOUR IDEAS!

