

# Memorandum



**To:** Planning Commission  
**From:** Ann Birch, Community Development Director  
**Date:** 2/12/2019  
**Re:** City of La Vista Comprehensive Plan, Updated December 2018

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**Reminder: Copies of the plan were distributed at the January meeting; please bring your copy with you to this meeting.**

In 2001, the City adopted the “Comprehensive Plan 2007”, which replaced the plan adopted in 1970 and updated in 1985 and 1991. In 2015, a new process began to gather input at community events and from working with the city’s leadership to create a new comprehensive plan for the city. What followed was an extensive public process (as noted on pages 12 and 13, and in Appendix A), and so now after a lengthy effort, the “City of La Vista Comprehensive Plan, Updated December 2018” is presented at a public hearing for your review and consideration.

Generally speaking, the comprehensive plan goals and supporting policies which were developed through the update process are based on a 20-year timespan. However, a comprehensive plan is an evolving document and we should assess the plan at least every 5 years and consider updates based on those reviews.

The future land use plan component of the Comprehensive Plan for La Vista is not typical when compared to many other city’s plans. La Vista has defined boundaries based on boundary agreements with other jurisdictions, as well as established development patterns, including streets, sewers, and other infrastructure. In this regard, many of the goals and policies of the plan focus on protecting La Vista’s high quality of life and responsiveness to changes in demographics and economic opportunities.

After a successful public input process that included a steering committee, public input meetings, comment cards, a webpage, social media, and two online surveys, a plan was developed. Attached is the final draft of the plan for your review and recommendation to the City Council.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the new “City of La Vista Comprehensive Plan, Updated December 2018”.