Blueprint Denver: What's coming next?

- Goal setting
  - Currently under review by Task Force
  - Public review next
- Develop growth management strategies
- Community engagement
  - April Workshop
    - Growth management strategies
  - More online surveys
  - Summer: Mapping

Game Plan
Game Plan Outreach....

- Denverright meetings
- On-line Maptionnaire Survey
- Focus Groups (stakeholders & employees)
- Existing Community Events
- Statistically Valid Survey (multi-neighborhoods)
What We’ve Heard

98% of public meeting respondents said city trees are of high importance to them.

77% of respondents indicated a high need for regional and multi-use trails.

WATER AND IRRIGATION
What We’ve Heard

71% of respondents believe water conservation in parks is a high priority.

30% of respondents have participated in rec programs offered by DPI in the past year.

80% of respondents indicated they participate in activities on a "few" or "regular" basis.

Existing Conditions Report, Guiding Principles

Draft Game Plan
Guiding Principles

- Every Drop
- Every Person
- Every Dollar

Key Elements:
- Environmental Justice and Climate Change Adaptation
- Cooperation and Engagement
- Healthy Communities

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- Health and Active Living
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Landscape Types in the Urban Parks

- Native prairie: 3.1%
- Rogerian: 18%
- Irrigated area: 58%
- Hardwood and unmaintained area: 20%

90% of respondents see parks as important for improving water and air quality as well as reducing flooding and cooling the environment.

242,155 Trees in Urban Parks - Rights-of-way (2.2 million trees in Denver overall)

19.7% Average Tree Canopy Coverage in Denver

$804,000 water pollution reduction/cost of treating stormwater in Denver Parks.

$129,000 Annual reduction in air pollution through tree and shrub absorption in Denver’s Parks.

Decentralize Programming at Recreation Centers

18% of respondents identify lack of sufficient funding as one of the greatest challenges for parks and recreation.
Game Plan Planning Process Update

2016

Phase 1: Understand and Analyze
- Public Forum 1
- Planning Teams
- Data Collection
- Analysis
- Findings

2017

Phase 2: Division and Goals
- Public Forum 2
- Community Outreach
- Draft Plan

Phase 3: Draft and Adopt
- Final Plan

Denver Moves: Transit
Plan Update
Survey Results

Respondents loved:
- Easy connections
- Transit hubs
- Light rail

Potential improvements:
- Multimodal infrastructure
- Route connections
- Express/direct routes

76% of respondents though transit could be improved