

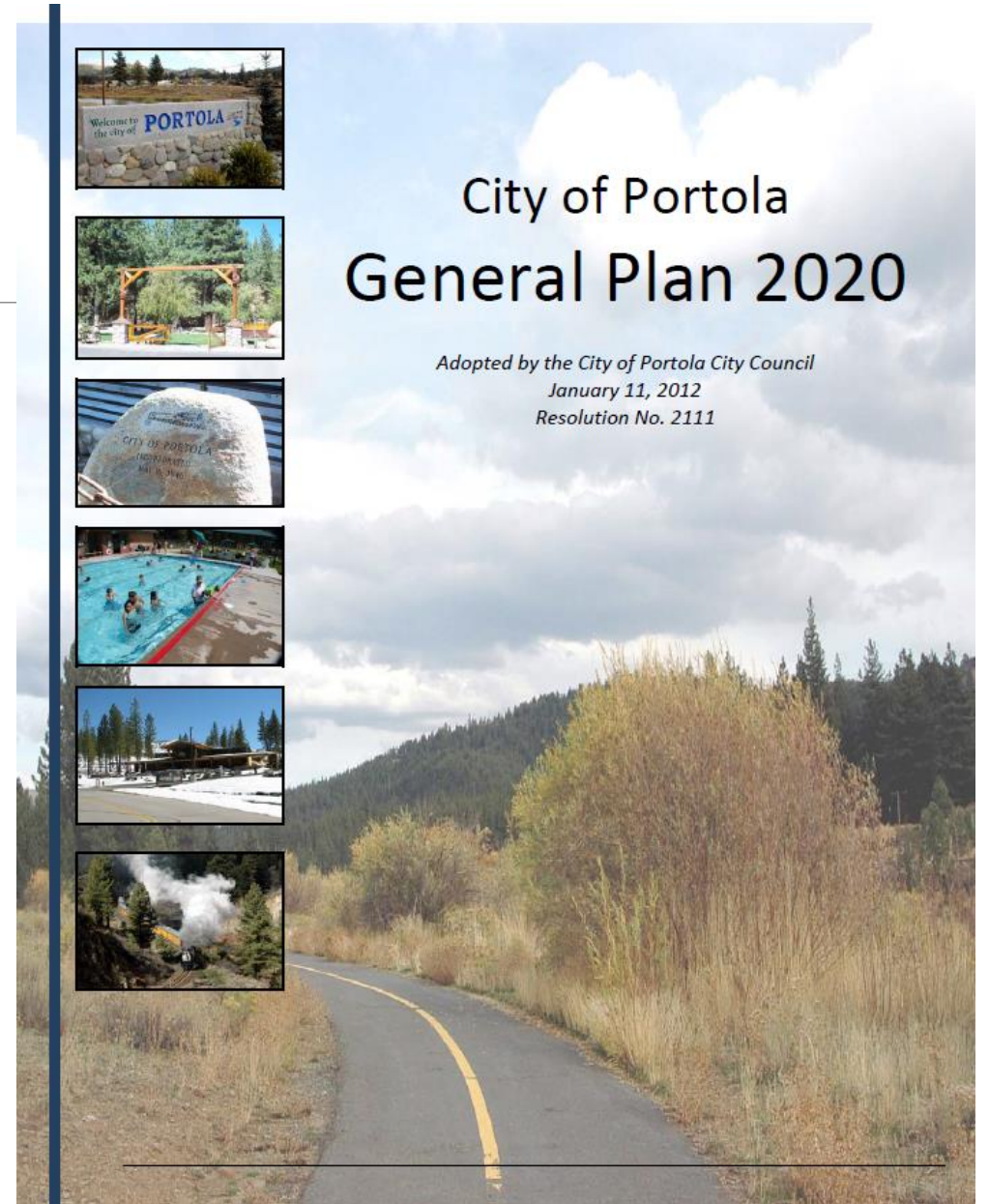
General Plan 2045

WHAT IS A GENERAL PLAN?

COMMUNITY VISION

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The 2020 General Plan was comprehensively updated in 2012 and is scheduled to be updated to incorporate the State of California 2017 General Plan Guidelines.



What is a General Plan?

- A “Constitution for future development”
- A blueprint for the future
- A general plan is a policy of acceptable land uses in each jurisdiction
- Guides the growth and land development of the community
- Foundation for establishing goals, purposes, zoning and activities allowed on each land parcel and to provide compatibility within the community and surrounding area.

- Each City and County in California must prepare and adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the city and any land outside its boundaries which in the planning agency's judgment bears relation to its planning.
- It reflects the City's values and directs the City's decisions, plans, and priorities.
- It provides the basis for most future decision-making and is a vision for long-range planning.
- The State has General Plan Guidelines (updated in 2017) that the City must meet.
- The goals, policies, and implementation measures can be updated and revised over time and are not required to be completed/implemented.

General Plan Framework

A general plan is required to include seven elements (land use, circulation, housing, conservation, open space, noise, and safety) and may include optional elements. Each element contains goals, policies, and implementation measures.

- Goals are the ideals that the community will strive to achieve.
- Policies establish a recognized community position on a particular issue.
- Implementation Measures are programs identified in the general plan usually requiring a further action such as additional study, new ordinances, special funding, and public review. The details relating to each action can then be evaluated at the time of implementation.

General Plan Vision Board

**Environmental
Protection**

**Employment
Growth**

**Enhanced Retail
Opportunities and
Services for
Residents**

**Clear Sense of
Community and
Place**

**Efficient,
Affordable Public
Services and
Utilities**

**Quality Affordable
Housing**

Safety

**Focus on
Technology**

**Focus on
Recreation**

Focus on Tourism

**Community
activities**

**Façade
improvement**

Railroad Museum

Anticipated Public Participation Schedule

- February 10:** General Plan Brown Bag Public Workshop (Overview, General Direction of General Plan, Introduction)
City Council Meeting (Overview, General Direction of General Plan, Introduction)
- February 24:** General Plan Brown Bag Public Workshop (Land Use and Circulation Elements)
City Council Meeting (Public Comment)
- February 25:** Community Development Committee Meeting (Review public comment, Introduction, Land Use, and Circulation Elements)
- March 10:** Brown Bag Public Workshop (Community Design, Economic Development, and Public Services and Facilities Elements)
City Council Meeting (Public Comment)
- March 11:** Community Development Committee Meeting (Review public comment, Community Design, Economic Development, and Public Services and Facilities Elements)
- March 24:** City Council Meeting (Public Comment)
- March 31:** Brown Bag Public Workshop (Conservation and Open Space, Noise, and Air Quality Elements)
- April 1:** Community Development Committee Meeting (Review public comments, Conservation and Open Space, Noise, and Air Quality Elements)
- April 14:** City Council Meeting (Review public comment and Community Development Committee recommendation)