Plan Aims To Make Chicago Life Better

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CHICAGO (WBBM) – The Chicago Metropolitan Agency For Planning is out with a report that's been five years in the works, looking 30 years into the future, to make life better for people in the Chicago area.

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The plan, called "Go To 2040" was released at an event in Millennium Park Wednesday. One participant, speaking metaphorically, said it "envisions planting trees that many of us may never see, but trees that will serve generations to come."

CMAP board chairman Gerald Bennett and the mayor of Palos Hills says the plan has "no small vision," borrowing from Chicago's city planner, Daniel Burnham.

Bennett says "Go To 2040" deserves a spot with Burnham's Chicago Plan of 1909, "When Daniel Burnham proclaimed 'make no little plans,' he asserted the belief that as a great metropolitan region, we have the ability to reach beyond the unreachable, to be innovative and creative and to collectively change as we move forward in time. Today, Go To 2040 proclaims have no small vision, for without lofty goals, we remain stagnant in the present time."

The plan deals with transportation and housing, tax reform, education, workforce development, business innovation, conservation and more efficient government.

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