A Planning Priorities Report for the City of Sandwich
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Agenda

Introduction to CMAP

Project overview
- Background
- Content
- Recommendations
- Next steps

Questions
Intro to CMAP

Regional planning agency

Land use and transportation planning

ON TO 2050

Local Technical Assistance
Project background and goals

2017 LTA call for projects

1) Conduct existing conditions analysis

2) Recommend next steps for the City

3) Provide ongoing support
A planning priorities report for Sandwich

1. Project initiation
2. Previous plan review
3. Existing conditions analysis
4. Stakeholder interviews
5. Preparation of draft report
6. Review of draft report
7. Completion/adoptions
Other takeaways

Sandwich Fair is a key part of the community’s identity

Residents value downtown businesses

The community is aging and resident’s needs are changing
Existing conditions

Population: 7,491 (2016)

Median age: 36

Median HH income: $58,636

Total jobs: 3,267 (2015)
- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Retail
Where Sandwich residents work


Where Sandwich workers live

Water supply

Observed and projected desaturation of the St. Peter aquifer, 2014 and 2050

- Complete desaturation
- Partial desaturation (non-pumping)
- Partial desaturation (pumping)
- Sandstone dependent community
- Bedrock fault
- River

Note: “Pumping” refers to the condition of an aquifer immediately following a withdraw; "non-pumping" refers to the resting state of an aquifer. Areas experiencing non-pumping partial desaturation have a high risk of progressing to complete desaturation.

Recommendations

Create a new comprehensive plan

Improve budgeting practices and adopt a CIP

Conduct a Quiet Zone feasibility study
What is a comprehensive plan?

Establishes a long-term vision for the community

- Existing conditions research
- Public outreach
- Builds consensus around a shared vision
- Sets goals and recommends actions
- Framework for future decisions
Land use and development

Future character of community
Fiscal impact of development
Development and conservation areas
Natural resources

Stormwater management
Farmland and open space preservation
Long-term water supply
Transportation

Internal and external connections
Walkability and accessibility
Quality of life
Governance and capacity

Shared services
Coordinated investments
Impacts of development
Other topics

BNSF expansion

Historic preservation

Lake Holiday
Additional recommendations

Budgeting training and CIP development

BNSF Quiet Zone feasibility study
Next steps

Pursue funding for a comprehensive plan
- Integrate PPR into proposal and final plan

Budgeting/financial planning workshop or training

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