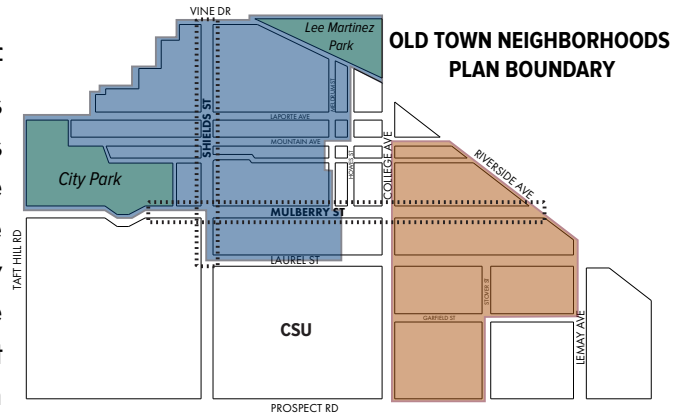


WHAT IS THE OLD TOWN NEIGHBORHOODS PLAN?

The City is currently updating two neighborhood plans that encompass what is known colloquially as Old Town, which are the neighborhoods to the east and west of downtown. This update will combine the two old area plans into one new plan called the Old Town Neighborhoods Plan (OTNP). The two former plans under revision are the East Side and West Side Neighborhood Plans. These plans were the first sub-area plans created by the City and were adopted in 1986 and 1989 respectively. These plans responded to concerns, issues and pressures at that time. In addition, the OTNP will feature a set of design guidelines. These design guidelines will not be a refresh of the existing design standards. The new design guidelines will be a “pattern book” that will assist developers and builders with creating compatible buildings in the Old Town neighborhoods.



PURPOSE

The purpose of updating the original East Side and West Side Neighborhood Plans is to revisit the original visions, policy directives, and implementation actions in the existing documents and revise these elements based on emerging issues and trends. While the new approach reflects a single plan, the planning process and evaluation of both neighborhoods will not be compromised in the depth of analysis. The proposed effort will provide more efficiency of resources, effective community engagement and opportunity for collaboration of stakeholders and desired outcomes.

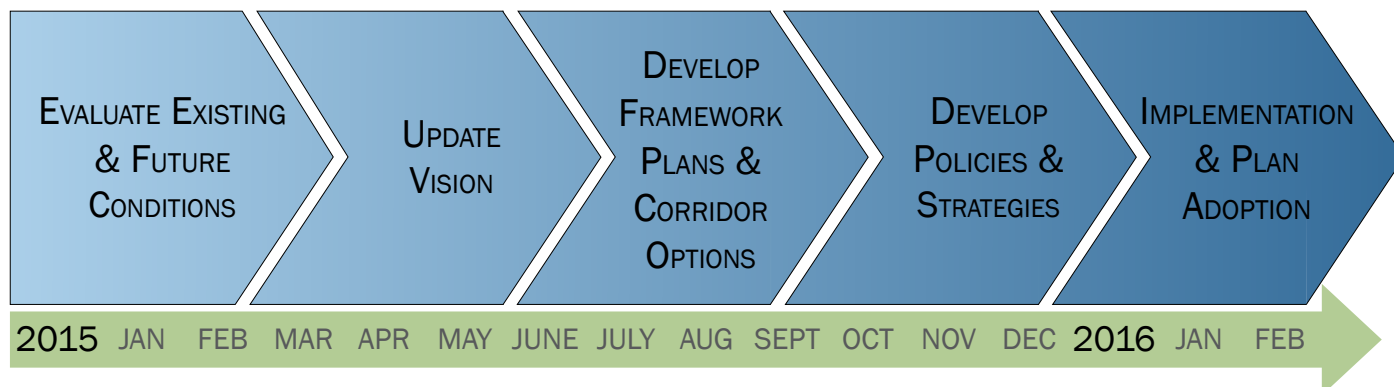


The main outcomes of this planning process include **1)** greater awareness and agreement about the levels and kinds of change in the neighborhoods, **2)** retention and enhancement of the irreplaceable, defining character of the neighborhoods as they continue to age and change, and **3)** the City will also address transportation issues on the Shields and Mulberry corridors, which are recognized as constrained arterials. Through the planning process, the City will perform a cursory overview of these two corridors to assess potential enhanced bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including streetscape design.

PLANNING PROCESS

The OTNP will take form over the course of the next year with many opportunities to get involved and share your thoughts. The plan will be broken down into the 5 phases as illustrated below.

- **Phase 1** - Focus on initiating the project, developing an inventory of existing conditions and an analysis on future conditions.
- **Phase 2** - Visioning process with broad involvement from the neighborhood and stakeholder groups to establish a unified vision to guide the planning process.
- **Phase 3** - Develop framework plan & corridor options.
- **Phase 4** - Development of policies to achieve the vision of the plan and strategies to implement these policies.
- **Phase 5** - Implementation and adoption of the plan by City Council.



Get Involved!

Visit fcgov.com/otnp for more information about the plan, upcoming events and how to stay involved. You may also contact Pete Wray at pwray@fcgov.com or 970.221.6754 for more information about the planning process.