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Mesa General Plan 2050

Planning & Zoning Board
Study Session

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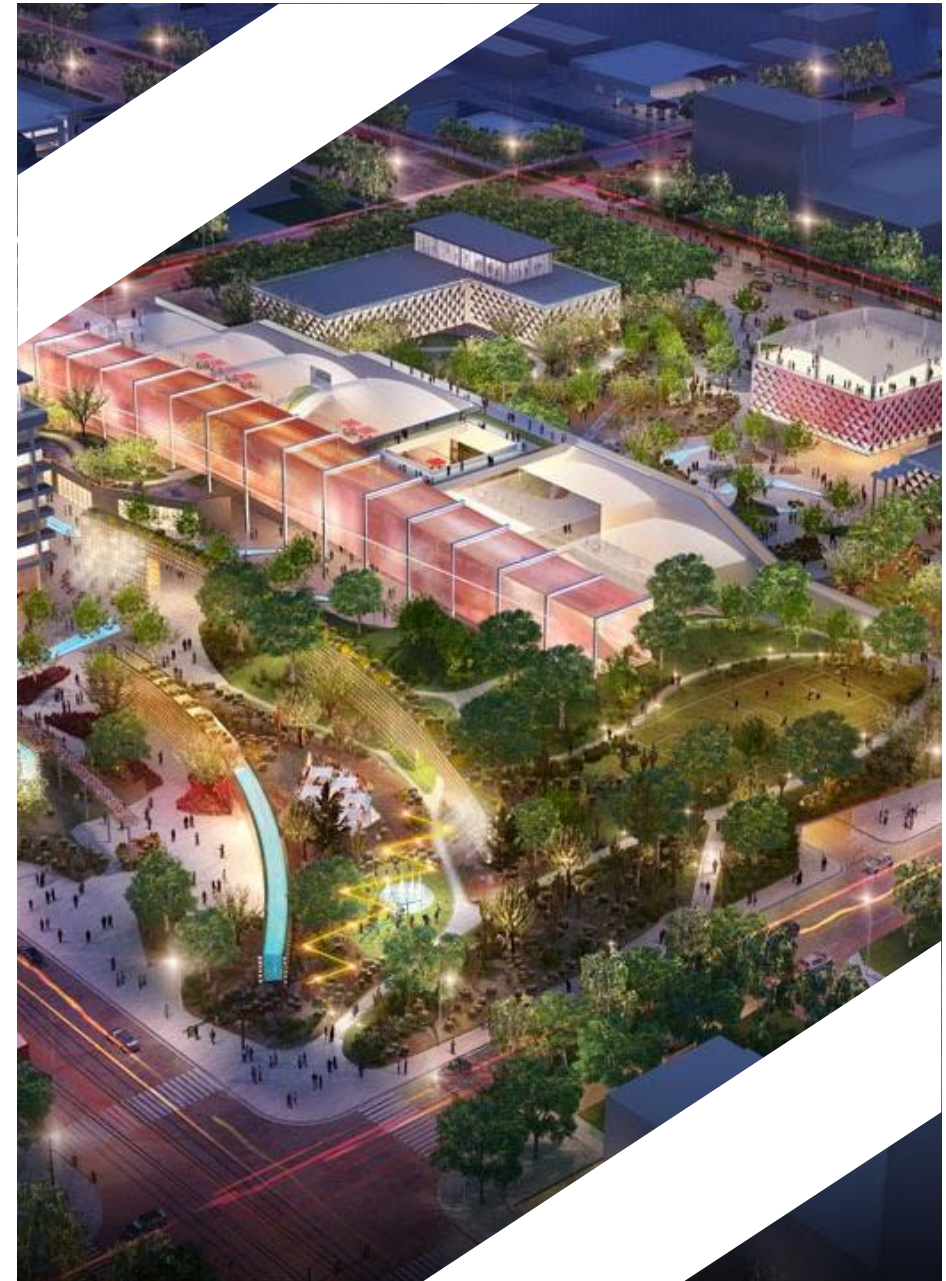
Tomorrow's Mesa

1. 2050 General Plan
2. Integrated Water Master Plan
3. Transit Master Plan
4. Transportation Master Plan
5. Balanced Housing Master Plan



What is a General Plan?

- Expression of the community's values and aspirations
- Official policy guide concerning the desired physical development of the city
- Guides future plans, programs, investments, and other government activities
- Reference point for decision making - helps provide continuity over time



Arizona Requirements – General Plan

- Every municipality must prepare a comprehensive, long-range general plan
- Must adopt every 10 years
- Affirmative vote of 2/3 of Mesa City Council (5 members)
- Ratification by Mesa residents (November 2024)



Final Plan Review & Approval Process

Feb-Nov 2024

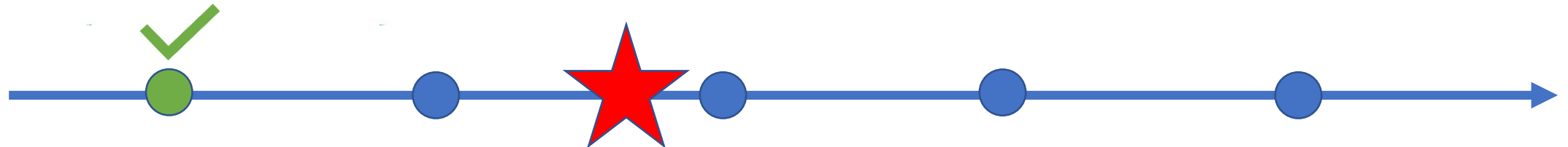


Planning and Zoning Board's Role

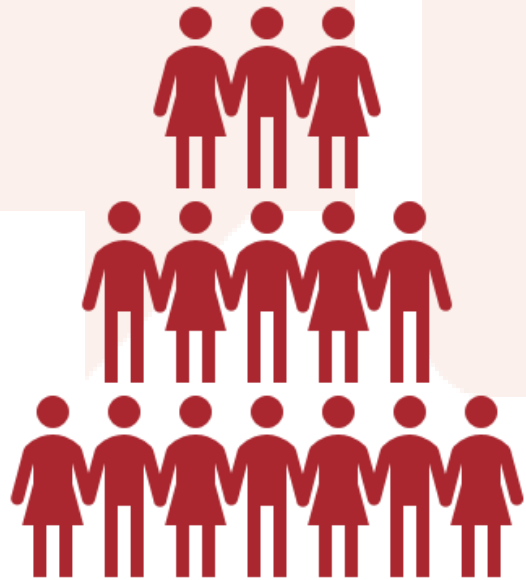
- Major Stakeholder and user of the General Plan
 - Provide unique insight in the goals and policies being established
- State Statute requirements
 - P&Z hold a minimum of two public hearings at different locations in the City
 - Special noticing requirements
 - Hearings anticipated April 2024
 - Recommend/not recommend adoption to City Council



Public Engagement Schedule



Engagement by the Numbers



10,756

Participants



3,118

Questionnaire
Reponses



1

City Council
Work Session



48

Community
Interviews



12

Presentations to City
Boards/Commissions



2,150

Visits at 11
Info Booths



4

General Plan Advisory
Committee Meetings



5,100

Website Visits



5

Community Meetings

What We're Hearing: Top 10 Issues in Mesa



1. Commercial and Retail Choices



2. Housing Attainability and Affordability



3. Public Safety



4. Traffic Congestion



5. Education



6. Water Supply



7. Open Space, Parks, Recreation Opportunities



8. Redevelopment



9. Access to High Paying Jobs



10. All other issues

Vision Statement and Guiding Principles



April

First Draft of Vision & Guiding Principles
Visioning Survey



May

City Manager, GPAC, and City Council Review



June

P&Z and Public Review June 14th

Discussion and Questions

