



We need a City that works for everyone.

Every ten years, the City of Minneapolis develops a long-term plan for how our city will grow and change. The draft 2040 Comprehensive Plan has many of the right goals—it just tries to meet those goals in wrong ways that won't work. We need a Plan that works for everyone.

What's wrong with the draft 2040 Comp Plan?

Many Minneapolis residents oppose the City's draft Plan because it:

- Uses the affordable housing crisis and racial inequities to justify policies that will most likely worsen the affordable housing crisis and racial inequities.
- Relies on the latest urban planning fad of more density everywhere (YIMBY philosophy) rather than on research or experience as the basis of policies and action steps.
- Proposes radical and experimental upzoning in Minneapolis that would encourage the teardown of single-family/duplex homes to build fourplexes in most residential areas; and would allow much higher, denser buildings for future developments along corridors.
- Proposes housing and transportation policies that discriminate against families with children, the disabled, the elderly, and people with lower incomes.
- Pushes more density than required to accommodate predicted population growth, at the expense of our environment and our quality of life.
- Fails to consider or address the City's underfunded and challenged infrastructure for transportation, schools, parks, stormwater management and other essential functions.
- Disregards decades of neighborhood small area plans and extensive community input.

Comment on the 2040 Minneapolis Comp Plan before July 22 at:
<https://minneapolis2040.com/>

What's likely to happen if the draft 2040 Comp Plan is approved?

Pushing density everywhere won't solve an affordable housing crisis or reduce racial inequities. In fact, experience in other cities shows that the massive upzoning proposed in the Plan will drive housing costs up, displacing more residents and making inequities even worse.

- Single-family/duplex homes would be bulldozed and replaced with housing that is too expensive or too small for families.
- Home ownership, the most common way that families build wealth, would fall.
- Cookie-cutter fourplexes would replace affordable single-family homes, duplexes and apartments.
- Higher demand for utilities, parks, schools, transit and other services would strain the City's infrastructure without sufficient upgrades.
- Parking problems and traffic congestion would increase.

Example: 4500 block of Colfax Ave S
bottom: current street scene; top: what the Plan allows



Corridor 4

Interior 3



The Plan rezones this block "Corridor 4" on one side and "Interior 3" on the other.

Policies in the Minneapolis 2040 Comp Plan are scheduled to take effect in 2019.

What can you do?

Contact your City Council Member and the Mayor and tell them to reject the Plan. Express your concern about the lack of research and experience to support the radical policies of hyper-density in the Plan, and the uncertainties and instability that these policies and actions would create for people and neighborhoods. Building market-rate housing will not solve the affordable housing crisis or reduce racial inequities. **We want a real plan, not an experiment.**

Comment on the Plan by July 22 at www.minneapolis2040.com and send copies of your comments to all the City Council Members and the Mayor: jacob.frey@minneapolismn.gov
Find Council Members at: <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/council/members/index.htm>

Tell your neighbors. Share what's in the draft Plan and why it's so important for people to demand changes now.

Follow up with your City Council Member and Mayor. Hold them accountable and let them know you expect them to address your concerns and keep you informed.

For more information: <https://minneapolisforeveryone.org/>