



## DeSoto Development Corporation Special Meeting Agenda

City Council Chambers  
Jim Baugh Government Center  
DeSoto City Hall  
211 E. Pleasant Run Road DeSoto, TX 75115  
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President - Michael Baldwin  
Vice President-Latosha Herron Bruff  
Secretary/Treasurer Felicia Pierson  
Director- Dr. Michaela Herndon  
Director- Mark Jones  
Director- Dr. Ahmad Garrett-Price  
Director-Akilah S. Wallace

DATE: Monday, October 16, 2023

### SPECIAL JOINT WORK SESSION:

6:00pm Council Chambers  
*Desoto Development Corporation*  
*DeSoto Planning & Zoning Commission*  
**(Adjournment of Special Joint Work Session)**

As authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein.

#### A. SPECIAL WORK SESSION AGENDA:

1. Call to Order

#### 2. SPECIAL JOINT WORK SESSION WITH DESOTO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND DESOTO PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

a. Presentation and discussion of updates to the 2023 Comprehensive Plan.

#### B. ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act to the City's website at [www.desototexas.gov](http://www.desototexas.gov) and the DDC's website at [www.dedc.org](http://www.dedc.org) and said Notice was posted at City Hall located at 211 E. Pleasant Run Road, DeSoto, Texas 75115. This said notice was posted on the following date and time: **October 13, 2023 by 5:00pm**, and remained so posted at least two (2) hours after said meeting was convened.

Melba Hill  
Economic Development Specialist

## **City Council Special Meeting**

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**Meeting Date:** 10/16/2023

**Also Contact:** Charles Brewer

**Phone:** 972.230.9672

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### **COUNCIL ACTION**

#### **AGENDA ITEM:**

Presentation and discussion of updates to the 2023 Comprehensive Plan

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In September 2015, the City Council adopted a Comprehensive Plan that was developed as an update to the City's 2003 Comprehensive Plan.

Goal #3 of the City's FY 2023 Business Plan is to update the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan. On May 17, 2022, the City Council authorized a professional services agreement with AECOM to update the City of DeSoto's 2015 Comprehensive Plan. The Urban Design and Economic Development sections were added to the original scope of work to ensure a more well-rounded and fully developed land use plan that is in harmony with the direction of the City Council, residents, and businesses.

The Draft Comprehensive Plan Update includes development of the following Chapters:

1. Introduction
2. Community Snapshot
3. Vision Statement
4. Future Land Use
5. Housing & Neighborhoods
6. Economic Development
7. Transportation & Mobility
8. Streetscape Guidelines
9. Implementation Strategies

#### **FINDINGS:**

In order to ensure input from DeSoto's residential, business, and development communities, a Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee was formed from City Council appointments. The Steering Committee met six times in order to provide input to staff and AECOM according to the schedule below:

- October 25, 2022 – Welcome and Project Overview
- January 19, 2023 – Goals & Vision Workshop
- March 21, 2023 – Input on Housing, Retail and Employment Development, to create the Draft Land Use Plan
- June 5, 2023 – Workshop on the added sections of Urban Design and Economic Development
- June 21, 2023 - Draft Comprehensive Plan Elements Review

- September 25, 2023 - Draft Comprehensive Plan Review

Public input meetings were conducted in November 2022 and in February and June of 2023 with the last input meeting scheduled for October 26, 2023. Three online surveys for additional opportunities for public engagement were also performed. A final Draft Comprehensive Plan Open House is planned to showcase the Draft Comprehensive Plan's contents to the community for feedback.

To date, AECOM is working on completing the Draft Comprehensive Plan Update and finalizing the same upon getting feedback from the joint meeting tonight and public input on October 26, 2023.

The purpose of this presentation and discussion is to share the Draft Comprehensive Plan Update and obtain input from the City Council, Planning & Zoning Commission, and DeSoto Development Corporation regarding the Draft Comprehensive Plan Update.

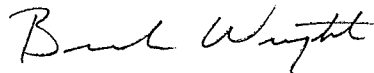
**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact associated with this agenda item.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This presentation is for informational and feedback purposes only. No action will be taken by the City Council during the City Council Work Session.

**MANAGEMENT REVIEW**



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**Attachments**

Presentation  
Draft Comprehensive Plan Update

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# Draft Comprehensive Plan Review

In-person Joint Session Update #3

October 2023

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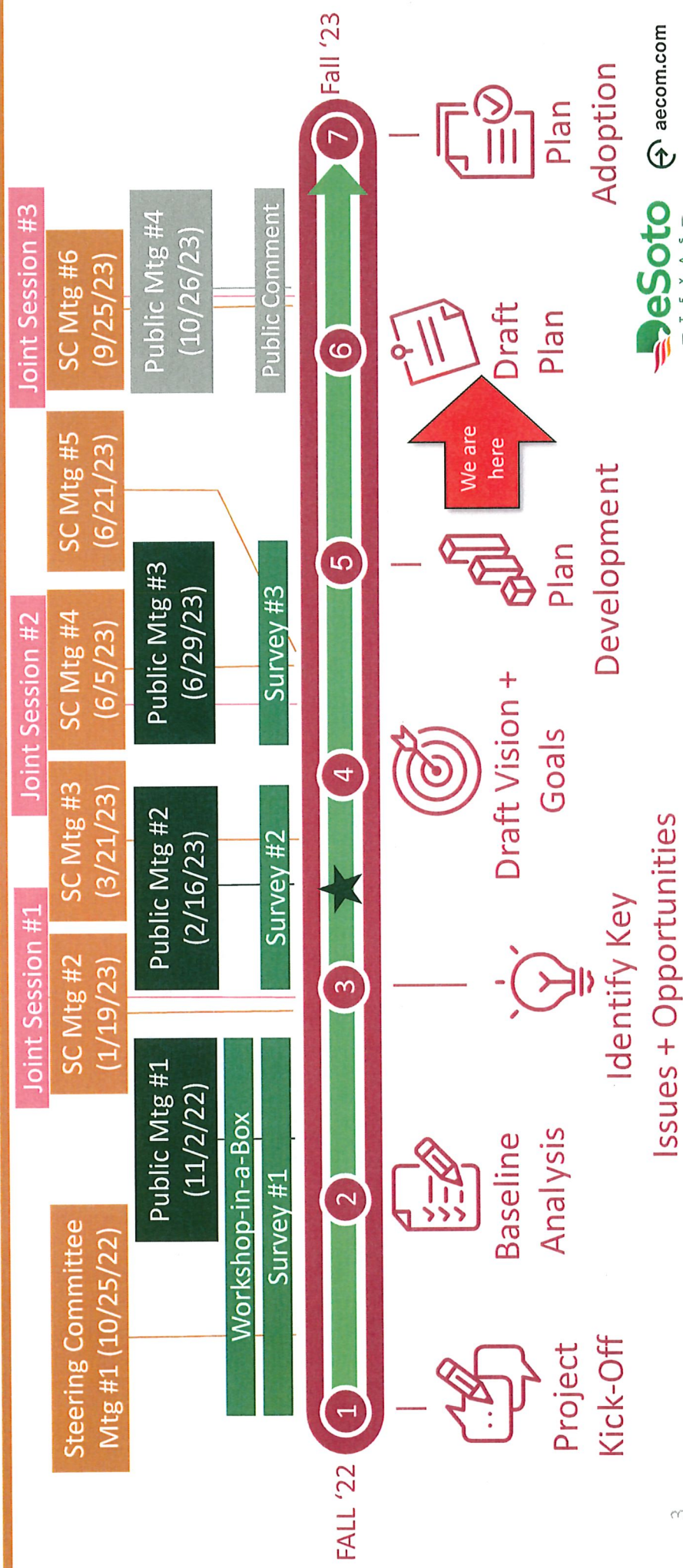


# Agenda

- 01 Project Update
- 02 Draft Comprehensive Plan Review
- 03 Next Steps



# Project Update





# Draft Comprehensive Plan

Land Use  
Housing & Neighborhoods  
Economic Development  
Transportation & Mobility

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# Next Steps

## Draft Comprehensive Plan Open House

Thurs. October 26, 2023 @ 6 – 8:00pm  
DeSoto City Hall







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Thank you.  
Questions?