



CITY PLANNING CONTEXT

move
belong
connect
prosper
green



STRATEGIC PLAN AND STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN (2009)

- Provides vision and direction for the City through “five pillars of change”
- The most relevant to this project is the “living green” pillar
- The three “living green” goals are:
 - (1) lead and encourage environmentally responsible approaches
 - (2) conserve, enhance and connect natural environments
 - (3) promote a green culture



OFFICIAL PLAN (2011)

- Provides policy direction for the City including a framework for the city’s Green System.
- Includes policies for Natural Areas as well as the Urban Forest that will be reviewed as part of this Strategy
- Supports protection, enhancement, restoration and expansion of the Natural Areas System

FUTURE DIRECTIONS: MASTER PLAN FOR PARKS AND NATURAL AREAS (2009)

- Speaks to the interrelatedness of parks and natural areas in the city, and the joint benefits they bring to the community
- Recommends undertaking this Strategy and supporting long-term maintenance of the Urban Forest
- Identifies a number of opportunities to protect, enhance and expand the natural areas and urban forest (e.g., acquisition, sustainable management approaches to parklands, stewardship and outreach) that will be addressed through this Strategy



Implementation Guide for Parks and Natural Areas
December 2009



LIVING GREEN MASTER PLAN (2012)

- Identifies 49 actions to “set an example”, “encourage others” and “compel others” in support of various environmental objectives
- Includes specific actions and other items to be considered through this Strategy



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