

Planning & Development

The Next Comprehensive Plan

City Council Work Session
October 14, 2025



Reflecting Raleigh



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Purpose

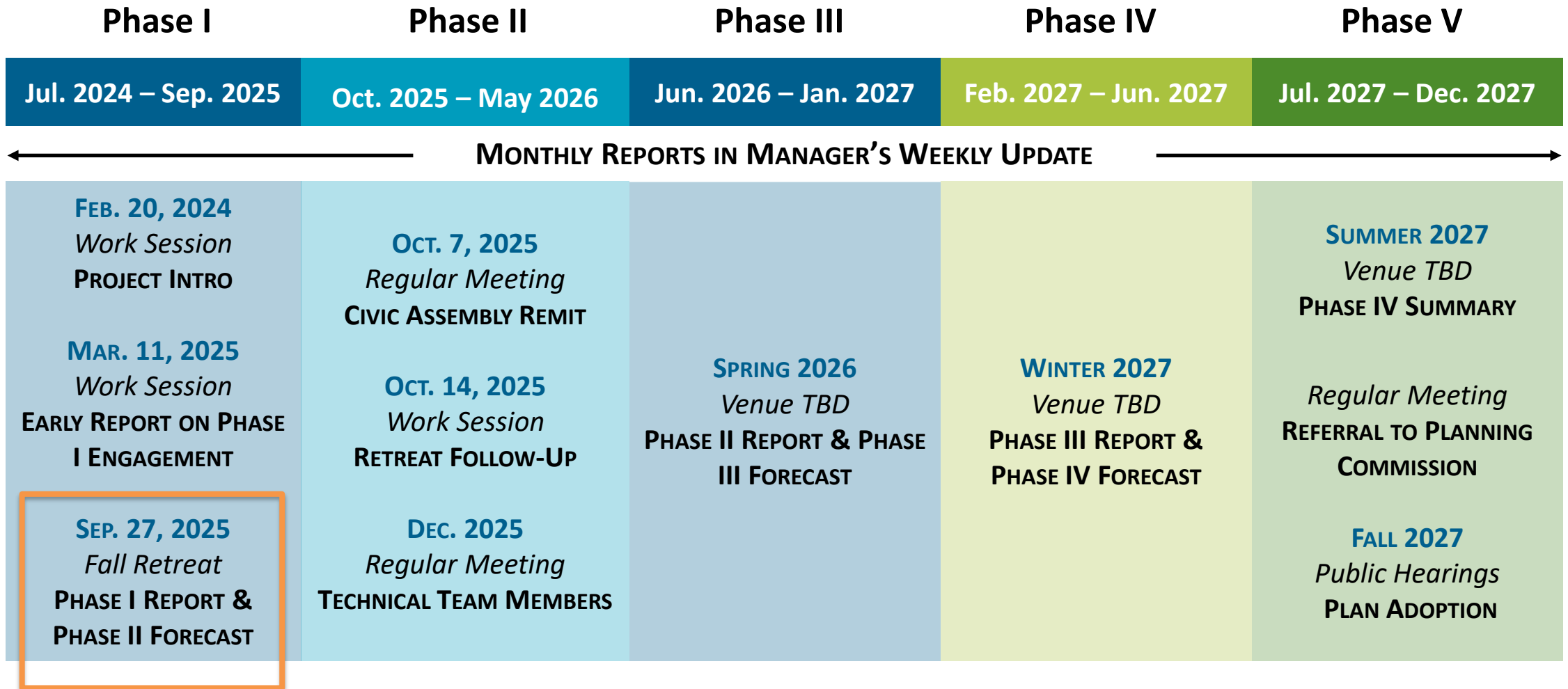
- Review & discussion of Council retreat feedback



Reflecting Raleigh Timeline



Ongoing Council Engagement





Emerging Issues

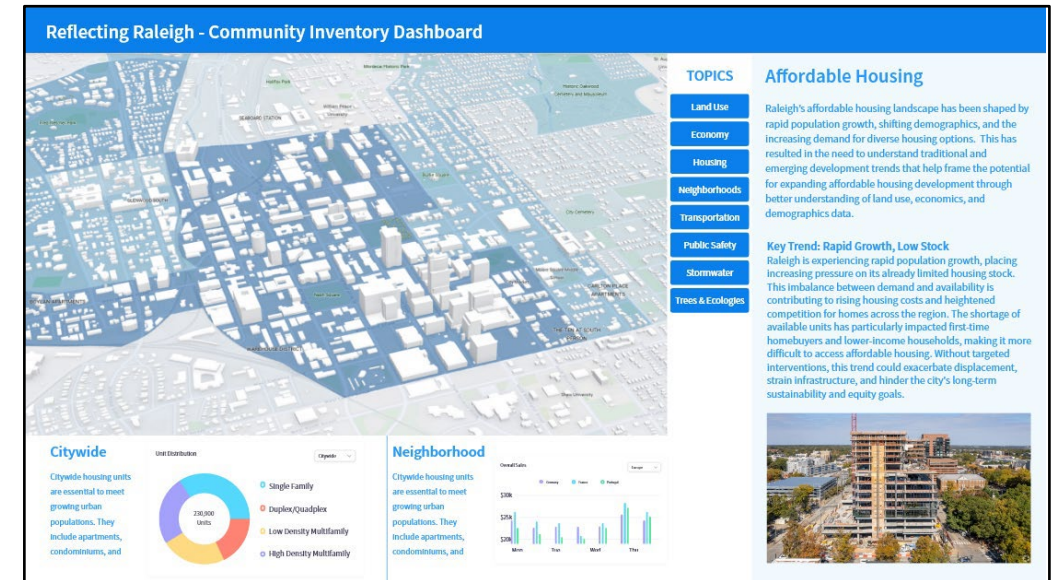
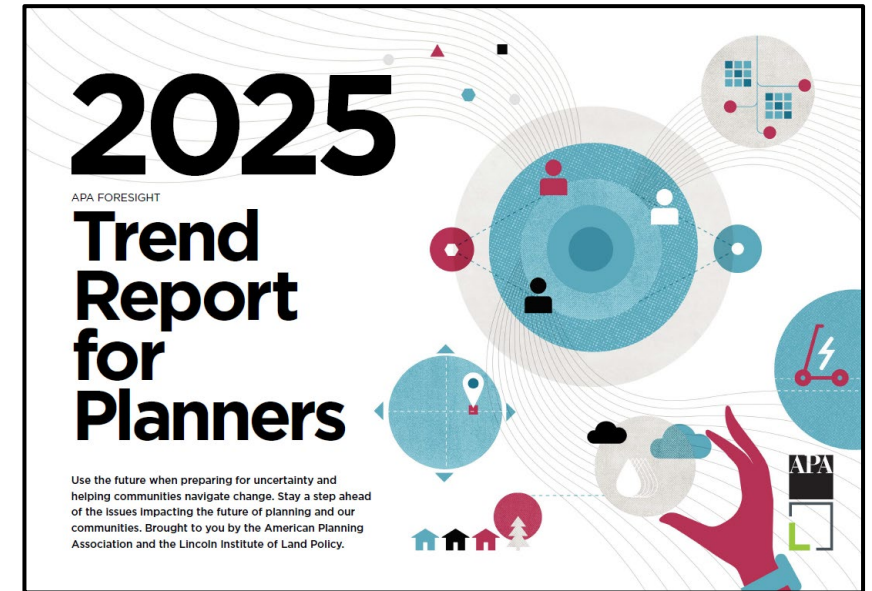
What changes is Raleigh likely to experience in the next 20 years?

- **Climate change:** increasing storm events, increased heat
- **Population change:** land availability, traffic congestion, housing supply & affordability, cost of service delivery, behavior & lifestyle preferences
- **Technological change:** Artificial intelligence, transportation systems, information sharing

Emerging Issues

How are we identifying & forecasting those as part of the Reflecting Raleigh process?

- Professional guidance & technical expertise
- Community Inventory
- Cost of Growth Analysis



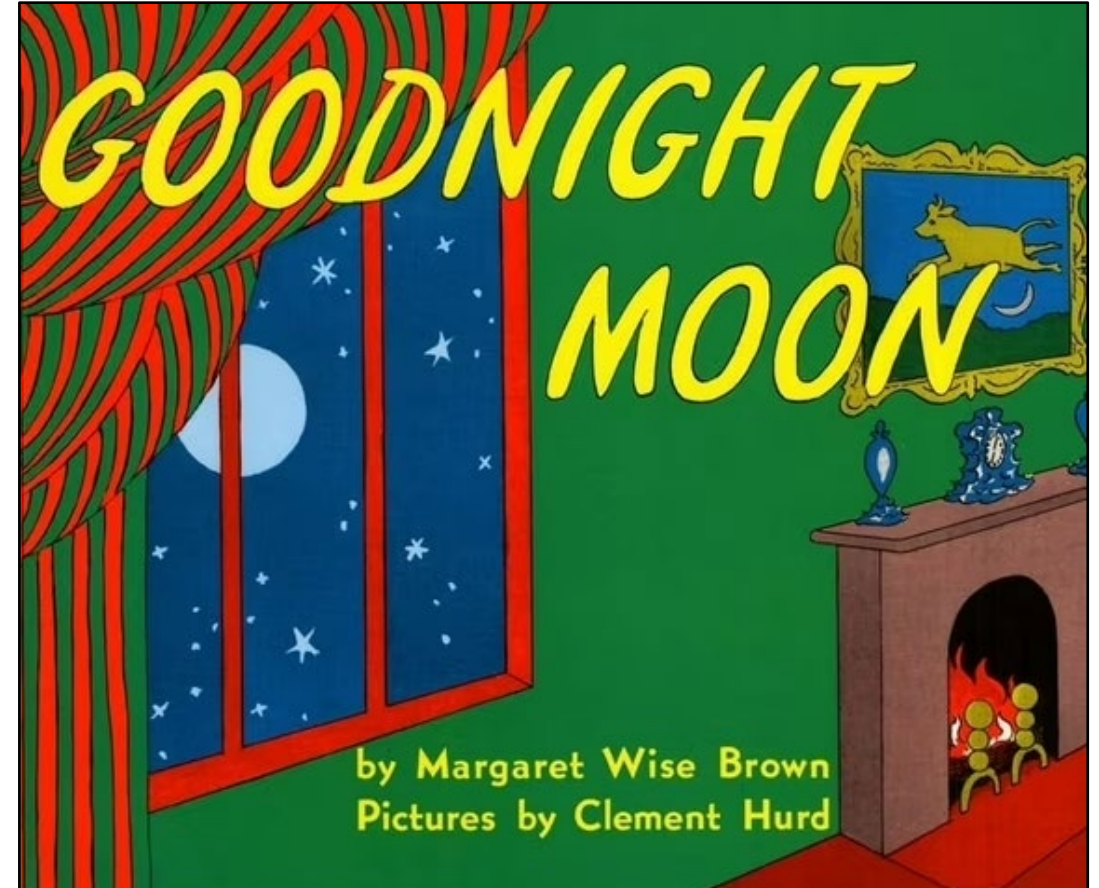
Communicating Tradeoffs

- Enhance the public understanding of future challenges and tradeoffs
 - Community Conversation Series
 - Community Inventory Interactive Dashboard
 - Civic Assembly Learning Curriculum



Reducing Friction

- Reduce conflict between competing policies
 - Internal plan review
 - Technical teams
- Set clear expectations for the public
 - Shorter plan, sharper focus
 - Enhanced readability



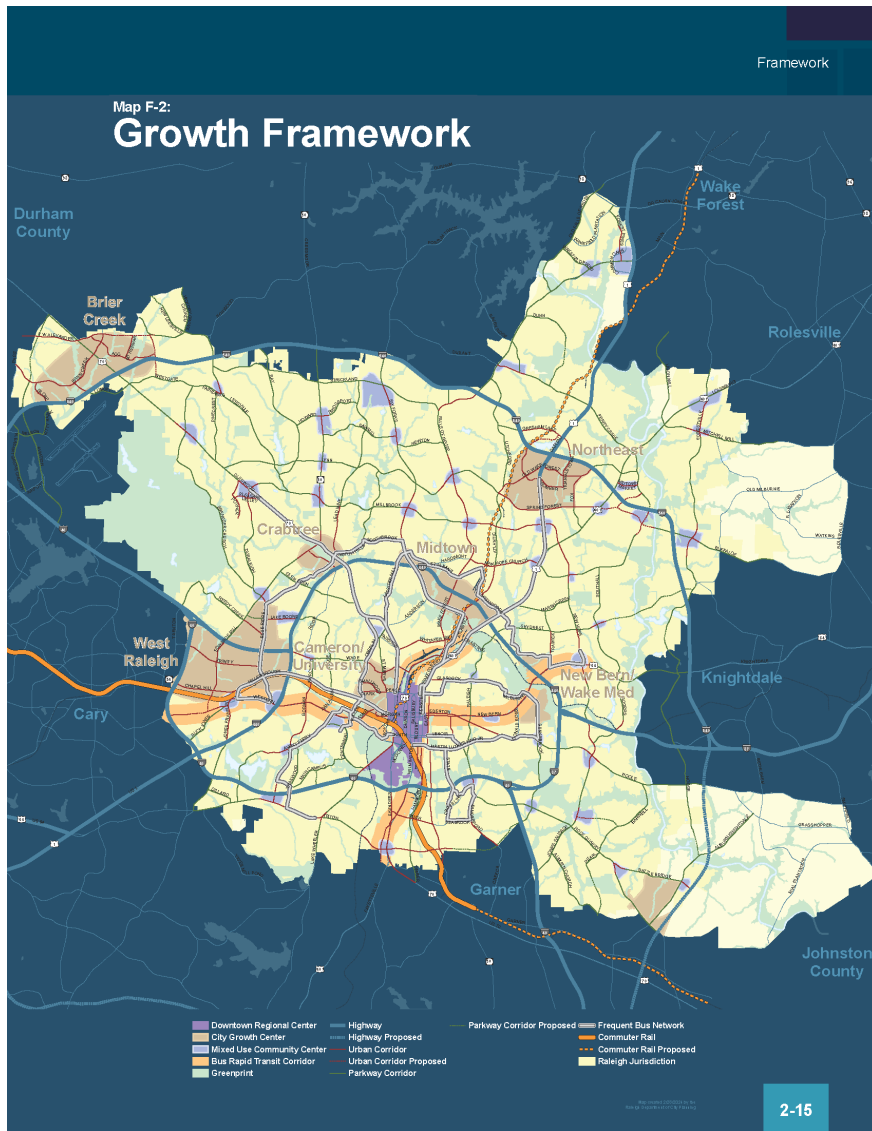
Reporting on the 2030 Plan

- Regular progress reports since 2009
- Upcoming in 2026 - final report across life of plan
- Next Plan's reporting structure
 - Regularly updated dashboard metrics
 - Annual progress report

2030 Comprehensive Plan FY2023 and 2024 Progress Report



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Other Council Requests

- Co-living opportunities
- Midtown housing affordability thresholds
- Streamline policies related to downtown
- Forecast future housing need based on anticipated population growth
- Coordination with county and regional partners
- Neighborhood-scale commercial
- Annexation and future growth policies

Next Steps

Community Inventory

Civic Assembly

Technical Teams

Cost of Growth analysis

Format, function, & design of the final plan



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