

## Faribault Planning Commission 2021 Work Plan

In addition to holding public hearings and making recommendations on planning and zoning related requests, the Faribault City Code of Ordinances assigns the Planning Commission the responsibility of recommending ways to implement the vision, goals, objectives, and policies of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The following work plan outlines the key tasks the Planning Commission will strive to complete in 2021. The Planning Commission may refine this work plan as needed throughout 2021.

- 1. Recommend updates to the Official Zoning Map.** The Planning Commission will review the Official Zoning Map for consistency with the Land Use Plan and recommend revisions to the Official Zoning Map. The Planning Commission will begin this effort in February and complete its recommendations by the summer of 2021.
- 2. Recommend updates to the Zoning Districts outlined in the Unified Development Ordinance.** The Planning Commission will review the zoning districts outlined in the Unified Development Ordinance and recommend creating and/or revising zoning districts as needed to be consistent with the Land Use Plan and Official Zoning Map. The Planning Commission will begin this work in February and complete its recommendations by the summer of 2021. The Planning Commission will conduct this work in concert with the update of the Official Zoning Map.
- 3. Recommend other Ordinance amendments.** City Staff and others have raised issues regarding specific provisions in the Unified Development Ordinance. For example, multi-family residential developers have found the City's high-density standards to be overly restrictive. The Planning Commission will review the standards and recommend revisions if needed. Also, the shift to electric vehicles may require that the City revise its parking standards to ensure new parking lots are electric vehicle ready. There are many Ordinances that the City should amend. As time permits, City Staff will work with the Planning Commission on the most pressing Ordinance amendments.
- 4. Review and make recommendations regarding small area studies.** As time permits, City Staff will prepare small area studies in key locations, including the undeveloped area adjacent to State

Highway 60 west of Interstate Highway 35. The Planning Commission will provide comments and feedback on the small area plans.

- 5. Other tasks.** City Staff and/or the City Council may request the Planning Commission's help on other planning and zoning issues that arise throughout 2021.