

# Project Oversight Planning Committee

Lincoln MPO Long Range Transportation Plan Update  
& Mobility Plan

July 31, 2025



# Welcome & Introductions

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# Consultant Team



# Agenda

- ▶ Project Overview
- ▶ Role of POPC and Subcommittee Structure
- ▶ Baseline Report Outline (LRTP & Mobility Plan)
- ▶ Public Engagement Overview
- ▶ POPC Discussion
- ▶ LRTP & LMP Vision & Goals Poll & Discussion
- ▶ Other Business

# What's the difference? LRTP vs. Mobility Plan

## ▶ **LRTP Update**

- ▶ Federally required, 20+ year blueprint for regional transportation (Lancaster County)
- ▶ Covers all modes: driving, transit, biking, walking, freight
- ▶ Guides policy, system investments, and project prioritization
- ▶ Focused on long-term planning and performance-based outcomes

## ▶ **Lincoln Mobility Plan**

- ▶ City-led plan focused on people-centered mobility (Lincoln only)
- ▶ Expands on previous bike/ped plans to include transit, micromobility, and first/last mile connections
- ▶ Identifies a connected network of facilities, policies, and programs
- ▶ Emphasizes access, safety, and active transportation for all users

The LRTP and Mobility Plan are being developed in tandem, with shared outreach and coordination, to ensure a unified vision for Lincoln's multimodal future.

# Federal Requirements (LRTP)

Section 23 CRF Part 450 Subpart C

- ▶ Update every 5 years
- ▶ Minimum 20-year planning horizon
- ▶ Coordinate with partner agencies and stakeholders
- ▶ Provide public involvement and review
- ▶ Evaluate a multimodal transportation system
- ▶ Apply a performance-based planning framework
- ▶ Include a fiscally constrained plan
- ▶ Incorporate environmental mitigation strategies

# Major Work Tasks: LRTP

1. Project Management & Meetings★

2. Public Engagement★

3. Travel Demand  
Model & System  
Analysis

4. Alternatives  
Analysis★

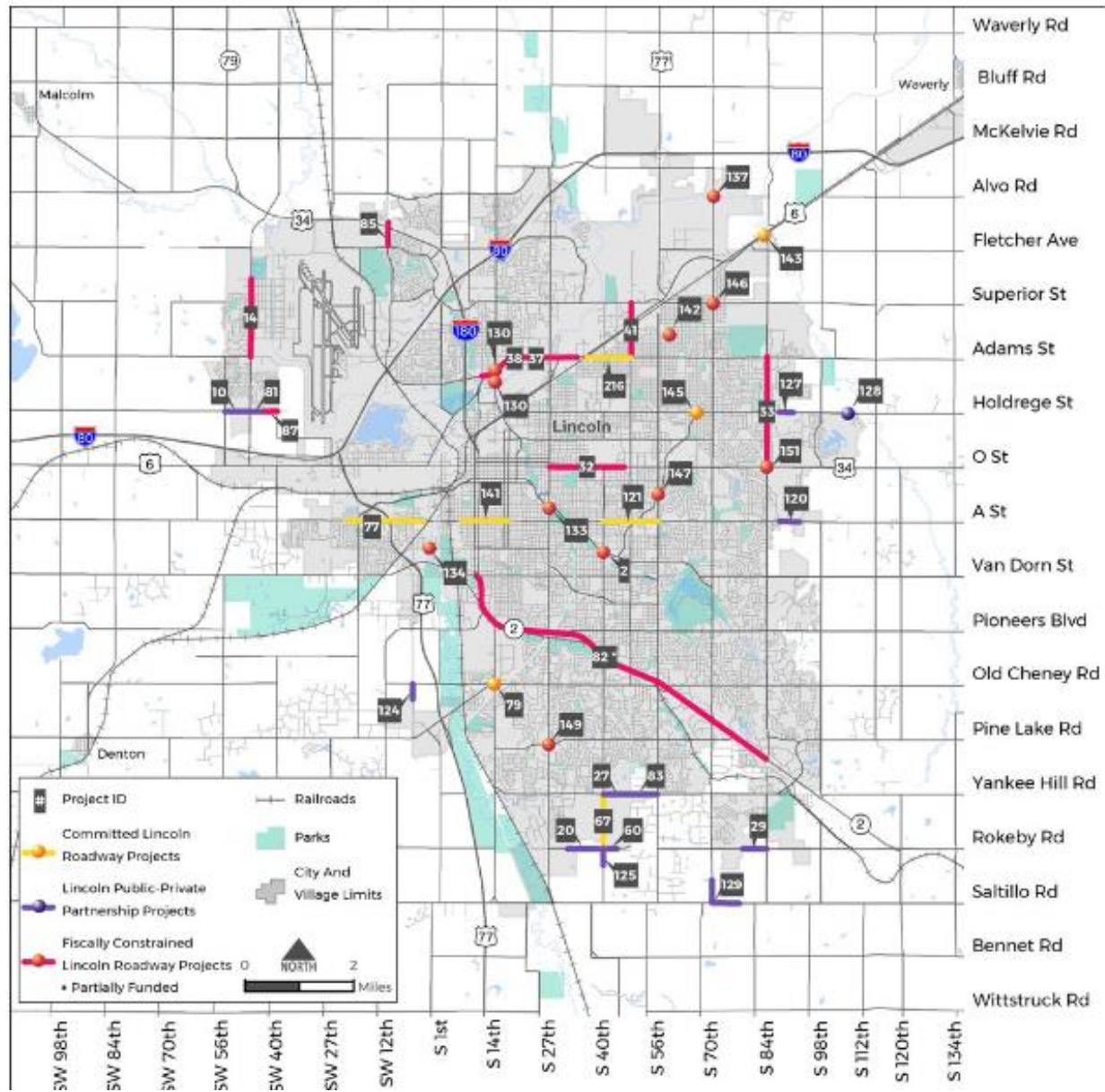
5. Implementation  
Plan★

6. Documentation

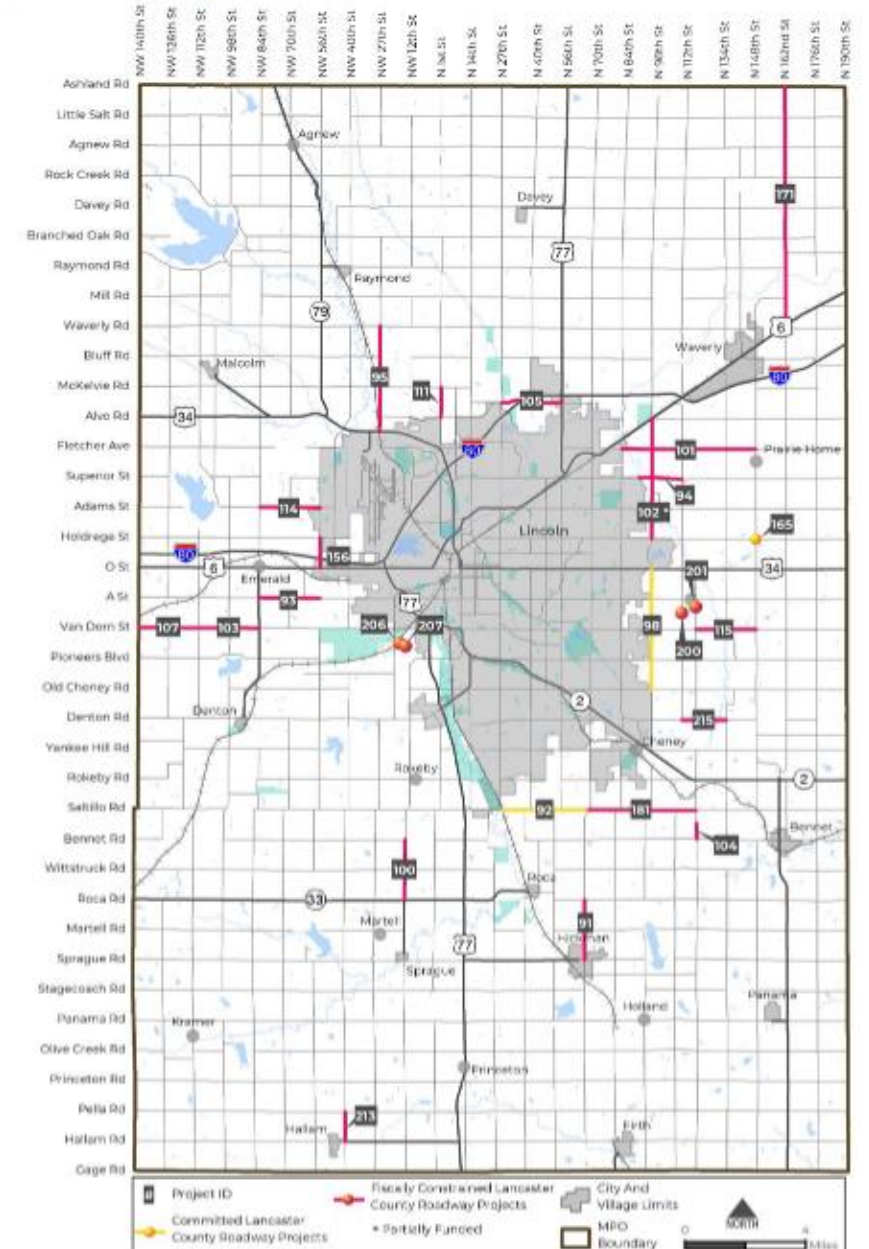


Integrated process with Mobility Plan

## Fiscally Constrained Urban Roadway Capital Projects



## Fiscally Constrained Rural Road & Bridge Capital Projects



# Major Work Tasks: Mobility Plan

## 1. Vision, Goals & Objectives

2. Existing Conditions Assessment

3. Public Engagement 

4. Mobility Network

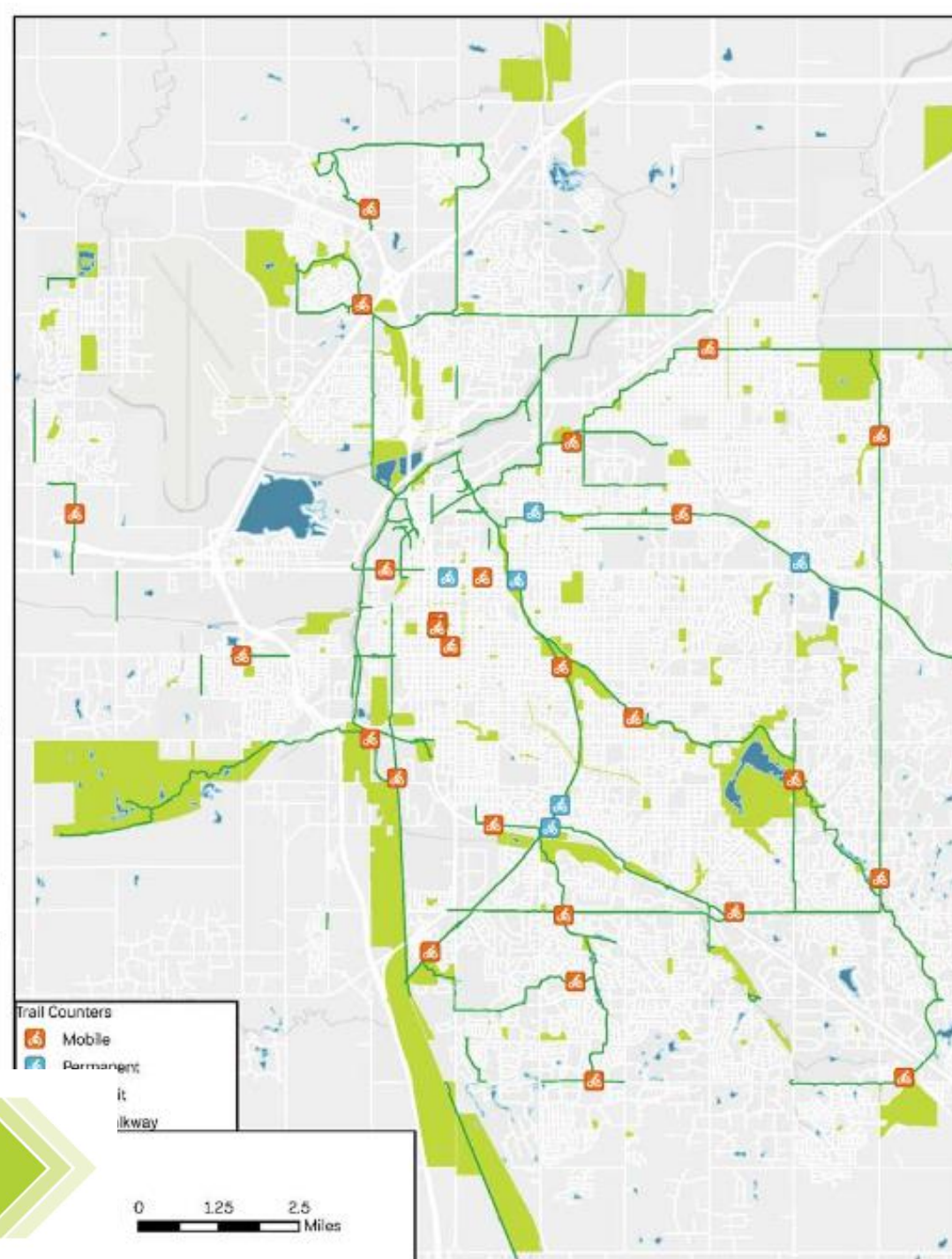
5. Mobility Oriented Development (MOD)

6. Policy & Programmatic Recommendations 

7. Implementation, Funding & Phasing 



Integrated process with LRTP



## PEDESTRIAN, BIKE SHARE, AND TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT

**Overview:** Program includes sidewalk rehabilitation, pedestrian crossing improvements, the bike share program, and the transportation demand management (TDM) program

**Resource Allocation:** \$37 million

**What can be completed:** Replacement of 46 miles of sidewalk and continuation of the bike share program

**Funding Gap:** Funding will not address all of the pedestrian and TDM program needs

## TRAIL PROJECTS

**Overview:** The LRTP identifies 64 trail projects with costs totaling \$59 million

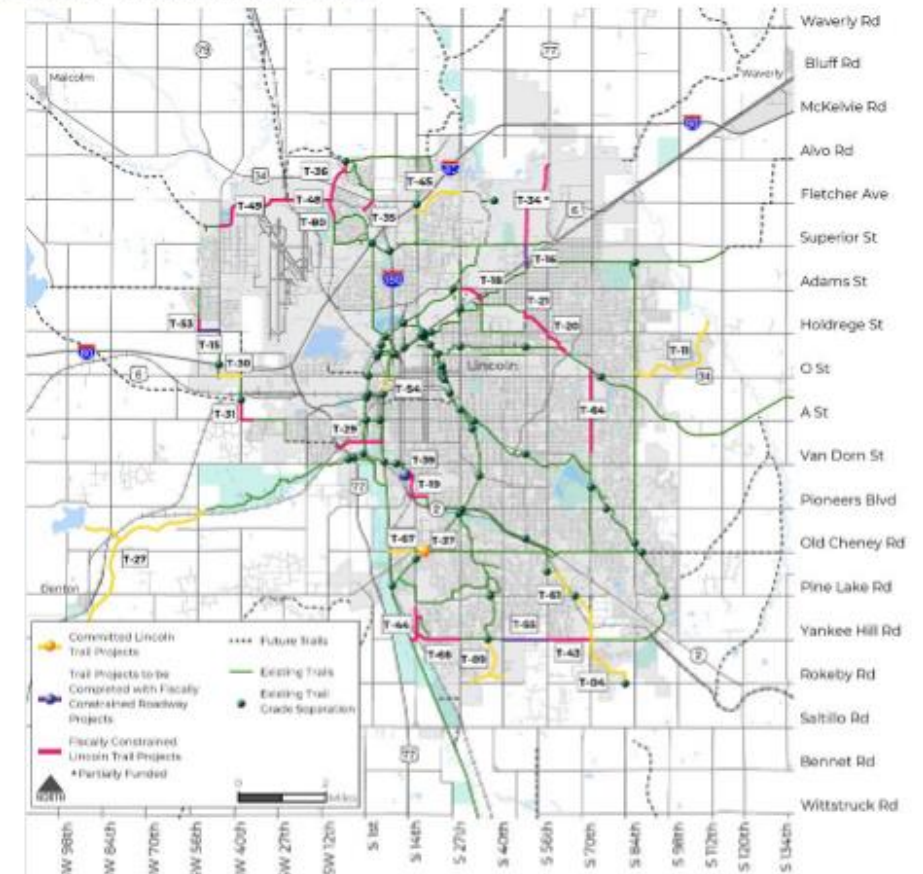
**Resource Allocation:** \$28 million

**What can be completed:** 31 projects (including 10 trail projects with committed funding that will be built within the next four years) (refer to map below)

**Funding Gap:** 33 projects would remain unfunded



## PRIORITY TRAIL PROJECTS



# Integration with other Plans

Ongoing Efforts:

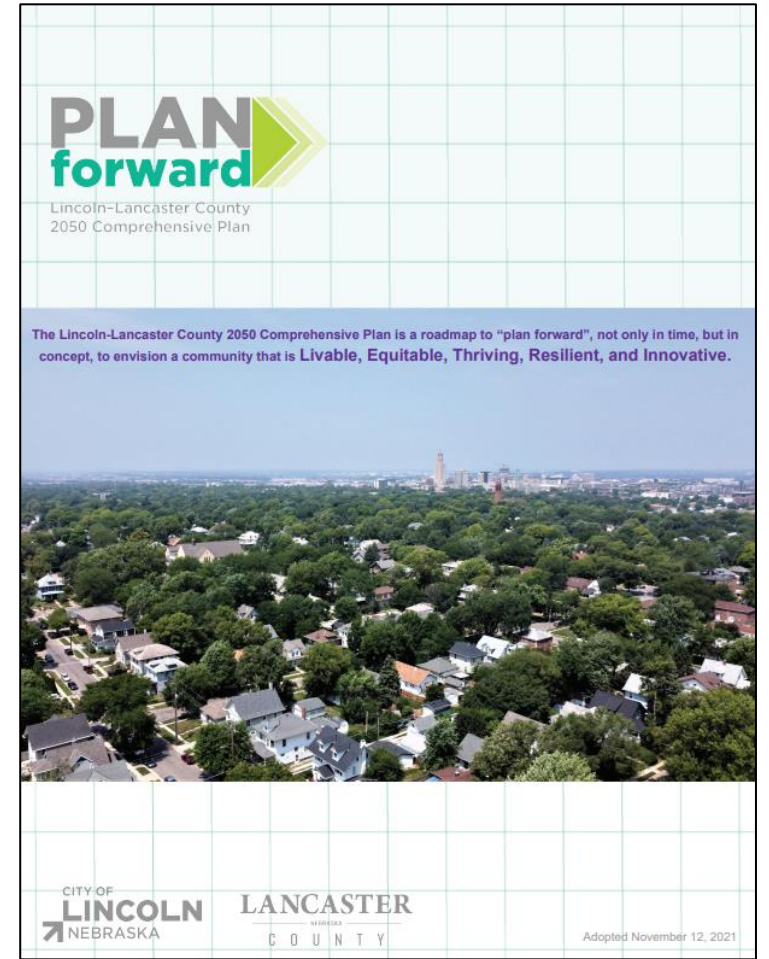
- ▶ Comprehensive Plan
- ▶ Vision Zero Action Plan



**SAFE STREETS LINCOLN**

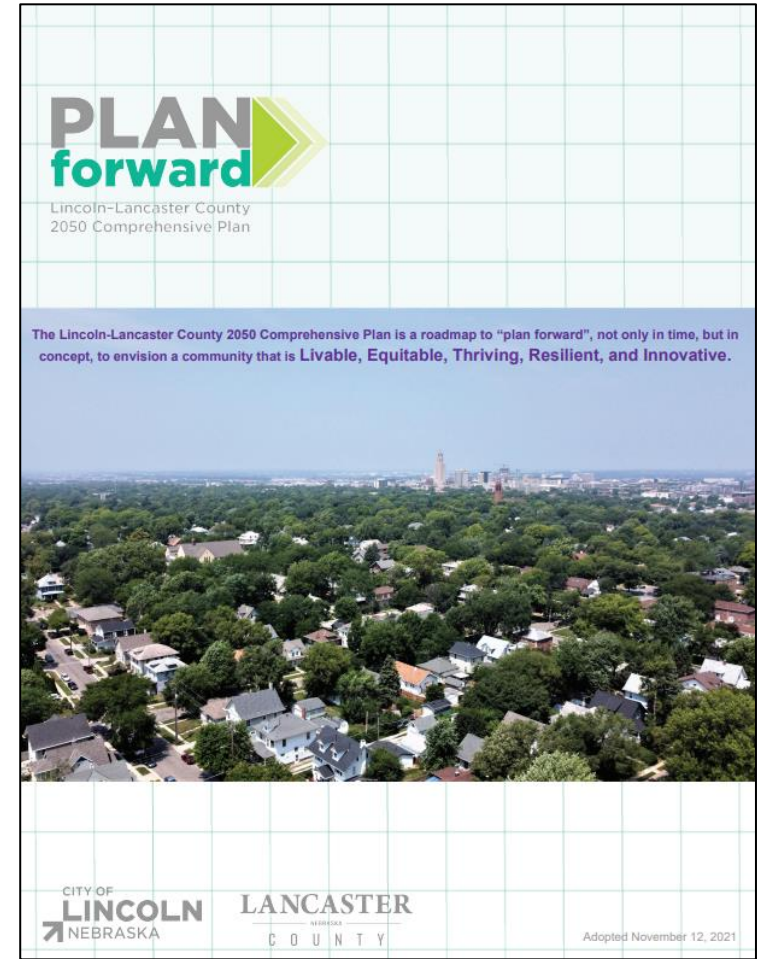
# 2050 Comprehensive Plan

- ▶ Adopted November 12, 2021
- ▶ Combined City and County plan
- ▶ Establishes community vision through 2050
- ▶ Where, how, and when the community will grow
- ▶ Basis for capital programming, zoning, and subarea plans



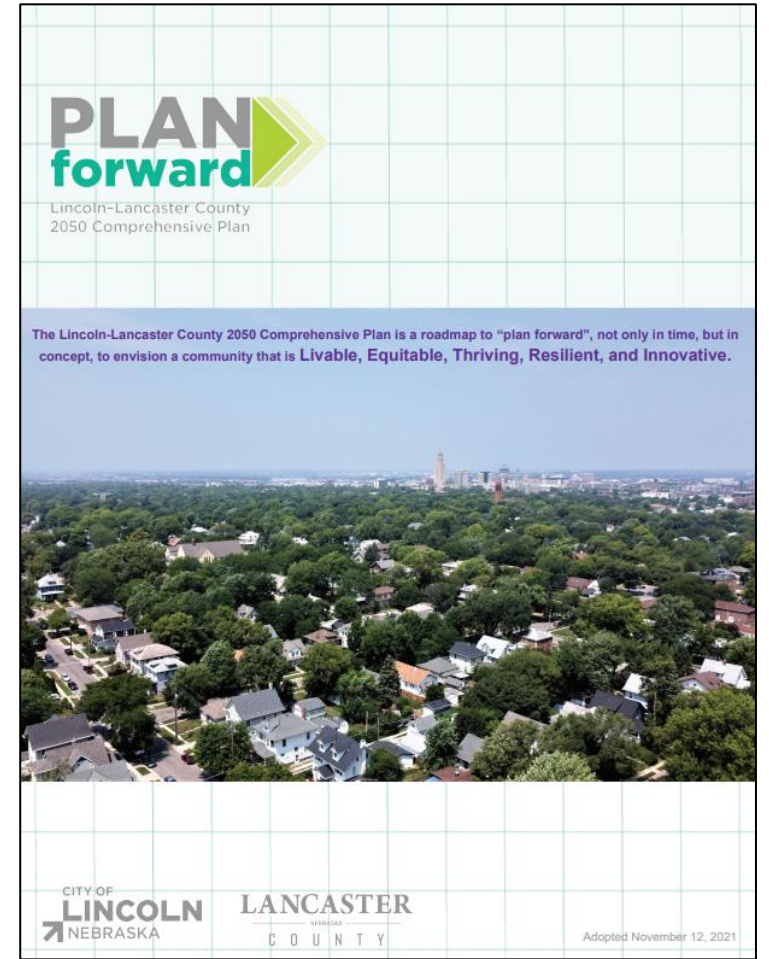
# Updating the Comprehensive Plan

- ▶ “Major” update every 10 years
- ▶ “Minor” update every 5 years
  - ▶ Growth horizon remains 2050
  - ▶ Affirm major assumptions and update information
  - ▶ Add important new items



# 2050 Plan to be Refreshed, NOT Replaced

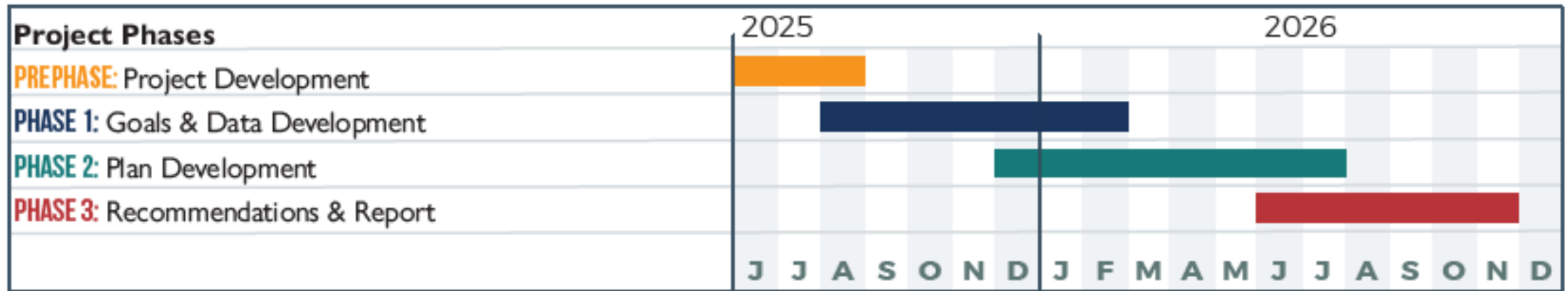
- ▶ Many long-standing policies, goals, projects, and assumptions continue
- ▶ Parallel process with Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Mobility Plan
  - ▶ Coordinated public input and staff oversight



# Integration with other Plans

- ▶ Community Indicators Report
- ▶ Annual Transportation System Performance Report
- ▶ Complete Streets Annual Report
- ▶ Annual Trail Report
- ▶ Lancaster County Local Road Safety Plan (2021)
- ▶ Star Tran Transit Development Plan (2022)
- ▶ Lincoln Bike Plan (2018)
- ▶ Bicycle & Pedestrian Capital Plan (2013)
- ▶ Bicycle Facility Design Manual (2018)
- ▶ Downtown Master Plan (2018)
- ▶ Climate Action Plan (2021)
- ▶ BikeLNK Annual Report

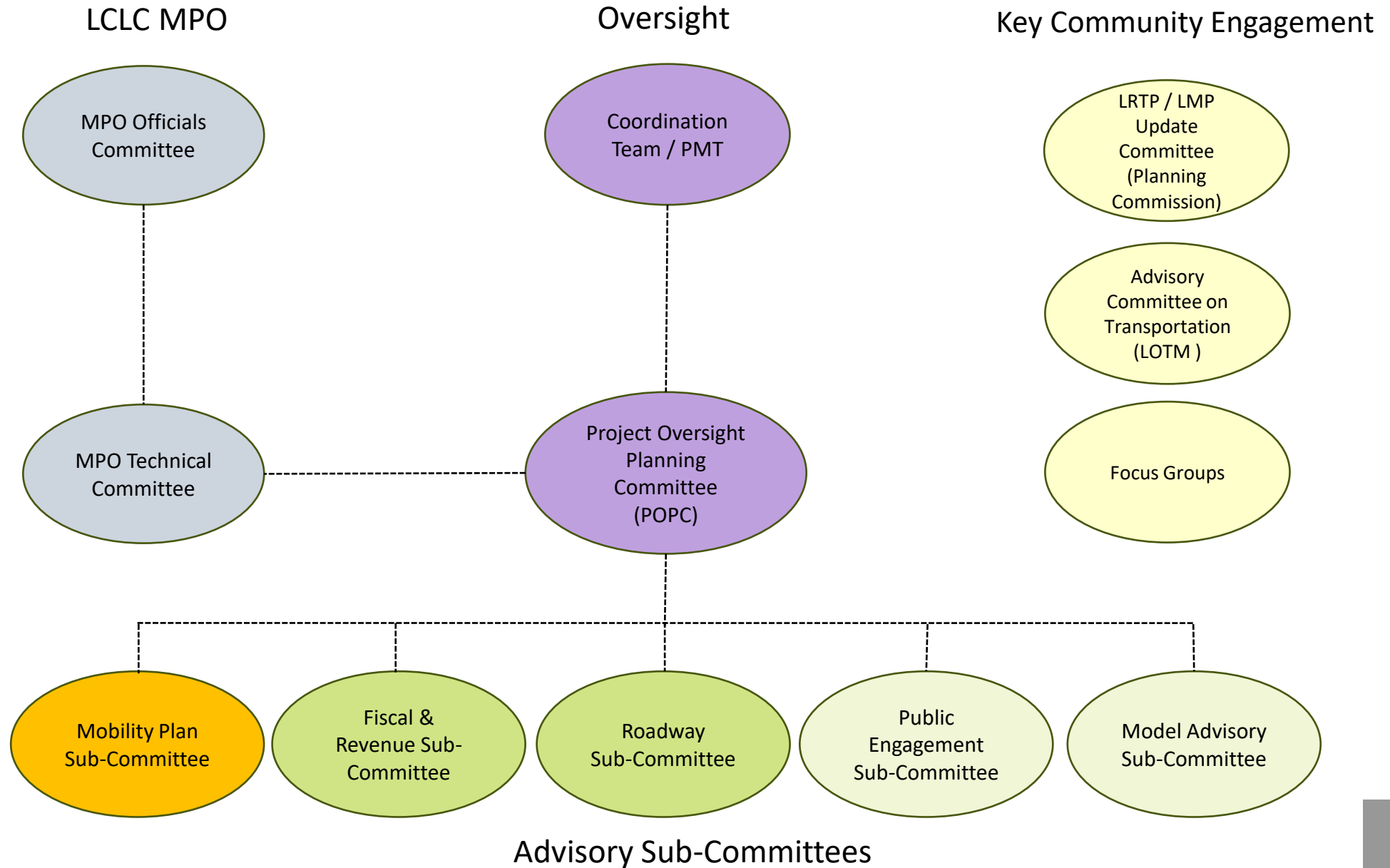
# Project Schedule



# Role of POPC

- ▶ Provide technical oversight of the LRTP process and Lincoln Mobility Plan development
- ▶ Ensure project team has access to relevant data and plans
- ▶ Review materials prior to presentation to the public and elected officials

# Sub-committee Structure



# L RTP Baseline Report Outline

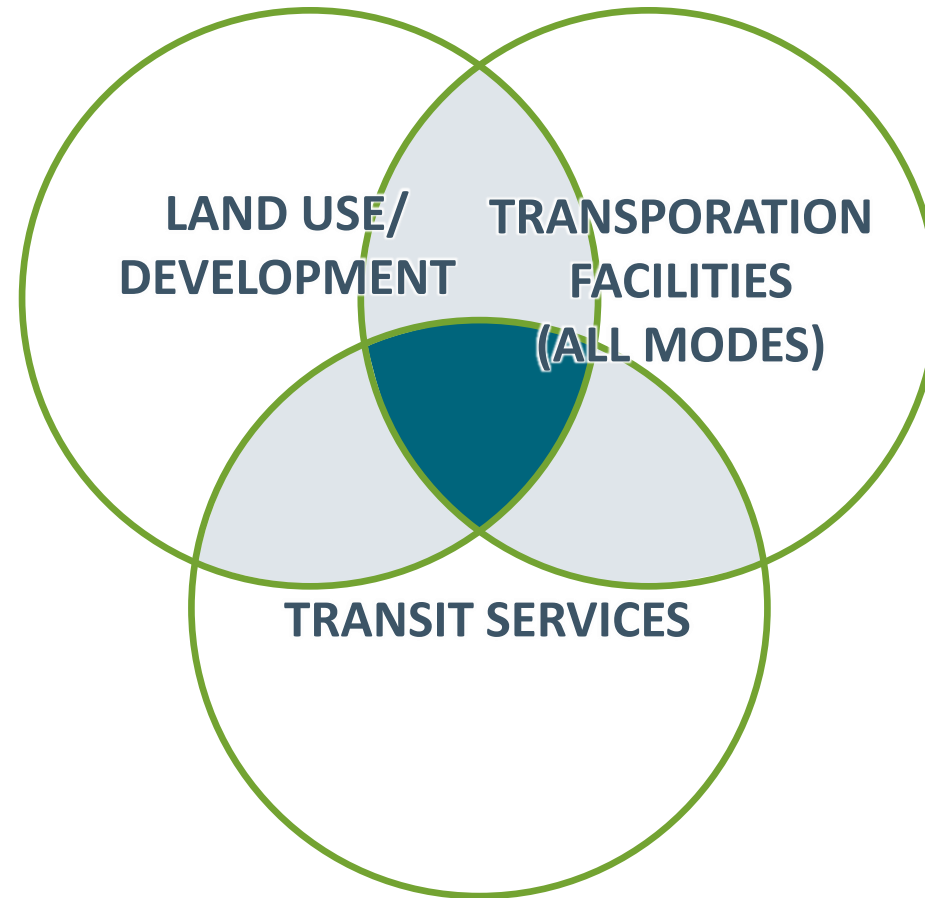
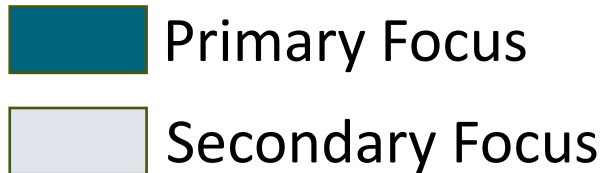
## Current Conditions, Needs Assessment & Emerging Trends

- ▶ Demographics & Land Use
- ▶ Travel Patterns & Trends
- ▶ Roads & Bridges
- ▶ Bicycle & Pedestrian
- ▶ Transit
- ▶ Rail
- ▶ Freight & Intermodal Connections
- ▶ Safety
- ▶ Gaps
- ▶ Projected Needs
- ▶ Emerging Trends

Draft: September  
Final: October

# Lincoln Mobility Plan

## Opportunity Focus of the Mobility Plan



# Mobility Plan Existing Conditions Outline

- ▶ Community Overview (land use /density, zoning, key destinations)
- ▶ Summary of other Bike/Ped/Trail Plans & Projects
- ▶ Travel Mode Share
- ▶ Bicycle Facilities / Count Data
- ▶ Pedestrian Facilities / Count Data
- ▶ Transit System
- ▶ Safety (VRU) Analysis (FHU – utilize Vision Zero Plan)
- ▶ Policies:
  - ▶ Complete Streets Policy
  - ▶ Bike Facility Design Manual
  - ▶ Bike Friendly Community Designation Feedback from League
- ▶ Future Needs and Gaps

# Public Involvement Plan Overview

- ▶ Connected
- ▶ Built on a strong foundation
- ▶ Meaningful
- ▶ Custom-tailored
- ▶ Phased
  - ▶ 1: Listen & Discover
  - ▶ 2: Priorities & Tradeoffs
  - ▶ 3: Present Plan

# Fall Public Engagement

- ▶ Project Website
- ▶ Digital Engagement
- ▶ In-Community Pop-Ups
- ▶ Focused Discussions
- ▶ Custom Communications
- ▶ Innovative Tactics

# POPC Discussion

What are the major changes in transportation that you've observed over the last 5 years?

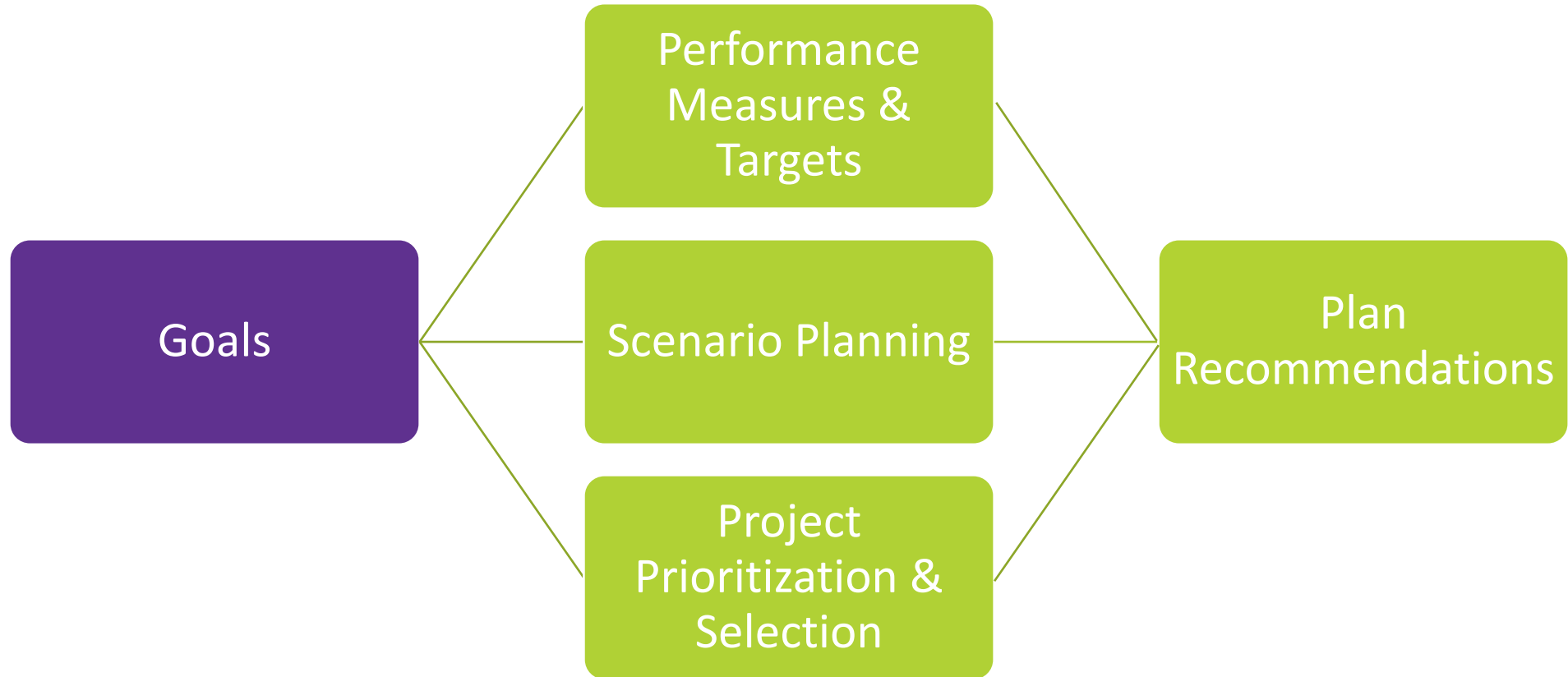
What are the overriding transportation issues/challenges facing your agency/department?

What are the greatest opportunities with this LRTP Update and integration of the Lincoln Mobility Plan?

What outcome of the plans would help you do your job better?

# Vision & Goals

# Goals are the Plan Foundation



The vision for transportation in Lincoln and Lancaster County is a safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation system that enhances the quality of life, livability, and economic vitality of the community.

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1 A well-maintained transportation system.
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2 A transportation system that supports economic vitality for residents and businesses.
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3 An efficient, reliable, and well-connected transportation system that leverages innovation and technology for moving people and freight.
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4 A transportation system that enhances the natural, cultural, and built environment.
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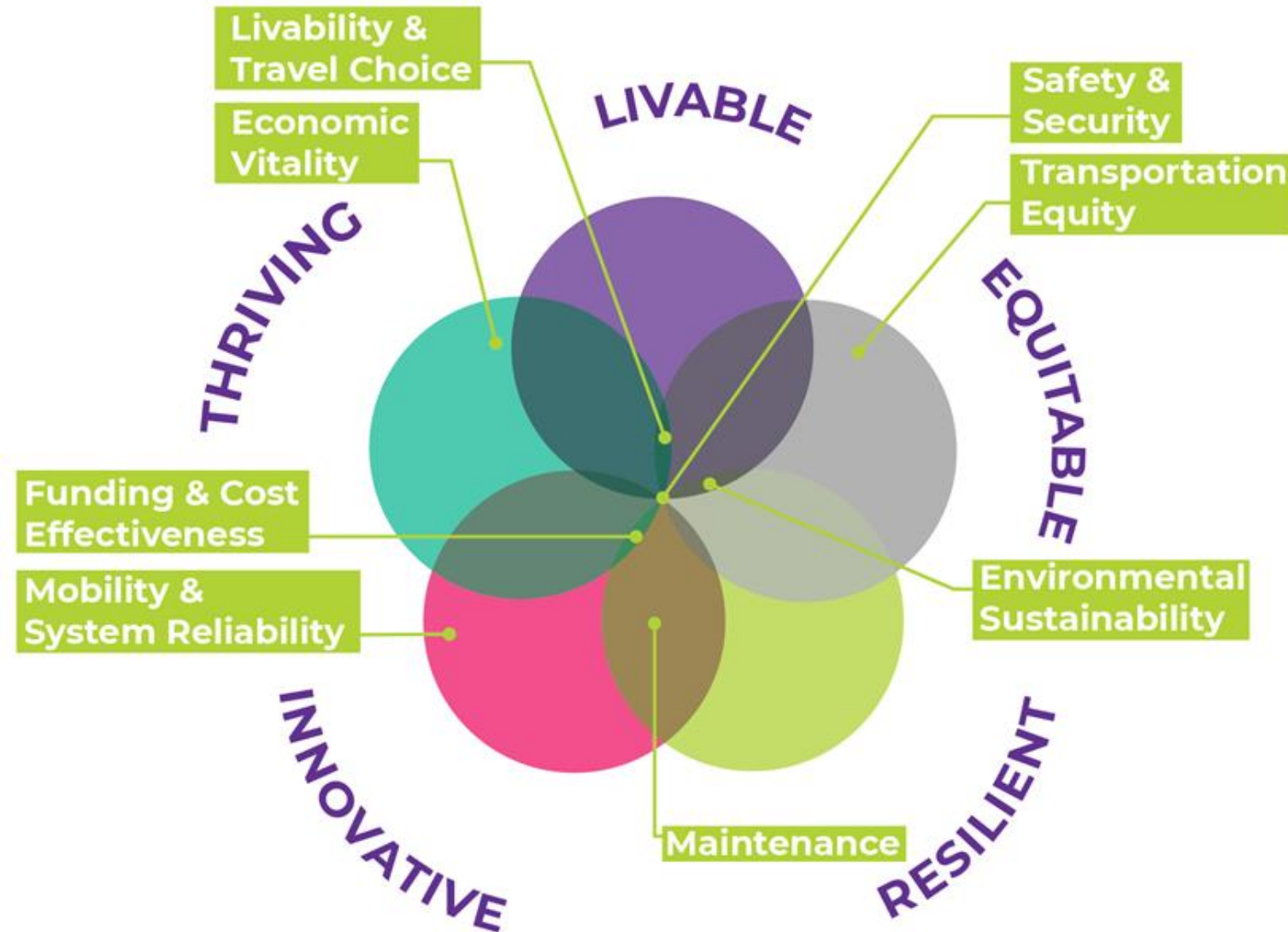
5 A multimodal system that provides travel options to support a more compact, livable urban environment.
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6 Collaboration in funding transportation projects that maximizes user benefits.
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7 A safe and secure transportation system.
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8 Transportation investments developed through an inclusive process that promotes equitable outcomes.

# PlanForward Themes and LRTP Goals



# Menti Poll: LRTP Vision

- ▶ How well does the previous LRTP vision reflect Lincoln's values and future aspirations? (*scale of 1 to 5, 1 = not at all, 5 = very well*)
- ▶ What key words or ideas should be emphasized in a revised LRTP vision statement? (*Word Cloud*)

# Menti Poll: LRTP Goals

- ▶ Rate the relevance of each previous LRTP goal (*scale of 1 to 5, 1 = no longer relevant, 5 = very relevant*)
- ▶ Are there any existing goals that feel outdated, too vague, or no longer reflect community priorities? (*multiple choice using numbers for each goal*)
- ▶ Are there additional goals that should be considered in the LRTP update? (*open ended*)

# Relationship between LRTP & Mobility Plan Goals

- Recognizing the different objectives of the LRTP and the Lincoln Mobility Plan, they will have separate, but compatible vision and goals



A well-maintained transportation system.



A transportation system that supports economic vitality for residents and businesses.



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A transportation system that enhances the natural, cultural, and built environment.



A multimodal system that provides travel options to support a more compact, livable urban environment.



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# Lincoln Bike Plan Vision & Goals

**VISION:** Lincoln will be a bicycle-friendly community where bicycling is safe and convenient for all and a common form of transportation and recreation.

- 1 **Safety:** A safe environment for all travel modes.
- 2 **Comfort:** A network of low-stress bike facilities that are comfortable for all ages and abilities.
- 3 **Culture:** A culture of respect and responsibility for all transportation system users.
- 4 **Equity:** A network that provides equal access to bicycling for all members of the community.
- 5 **Connected:** A network that connects people with places.
- 6 **Ridership:** A bicycle network and culture that increase bicycling for all trip purposes.
- 7 **Education:** A community that is aware of travel options, rules of the road, and the benefits of bicycling.
- 8 **Funding:** Sustainable and reliable funding for bicycle infrastructure and programs.
- 9 **Travel Options:** A multimodal system that provides travel options to support a more compact, livable urban environment.
- 10 **Bicycle Friendly:** A community that is recognized as a Gold Level Bicycle Friendly Community.



# Menti Poll: Lincoln Mobility Plan

- ▶ How well do the Bike Plan goals provide a foundation for a broader Mobility Plan? (*scale of 1 to 5, 1 = not at all, 5 = very well*)
- ▶ What core values or themes from the Bike Plan should carry over to the Mobility Plan (word cloud)
- ▶ What new or emerging mobility needs should be addressed in the Mobility Plan vision and goals? (*open ended*)
- ▶ What are some specific outcomes or metrics you would like to see tracked in the Mobility Plan? (*open ended*)

# In the Works:

- ▶ Baseline Reports (LRTP & LMP)
- ▶ Vision & Goals Development
- ▶ Travel Demand Model
- ▶ Fall Public Engagement Prep
- ▶ Data and Mapping Development

**Thank you**

***See you September 25th!***

