



Jackson Township

2024 Comprehensive Master Plan

Goals & Objectives

Land Use Plan Element



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Overview

What Is a Master Plan?

Vision, Goals, and Objectives

Land Use Plan Element

Public Comment Period

What is a Master Plan?

“The planning board may prepare and, after public hearing, adopt or amend a master plan or component parts thereof, to guide the use of lands within the municipality in a manner which protects public health and safety and promotes the general welfare.”

Municipal Land Use Law 40:55D-28.a

- ◇ Policy document that provides a blueprint for future growth and development.
- ◇ Vision with a set of goals and objectives to guide land use and infrastructure planning.
- ◇ Township’s legal basis for zoning ordinance and decisions by Land Use Boards.
- ◇ Must be updated or re-examined every 10 years.
- ◇ Opportunity for public input and engagement.

Plan Elements - Required

Statement of Objectives, Principles, Assumptions, Policies and Standards	Land Use	Relationship to Other Planning Efforts	Housing
Climate Change-Related Hazard Vulnerability Assessment	Circulation	Parks, Recreation and Open Space	Economic Development
	Utility Service	Historic Preservation	

Plan Elements - Supplemental



Focus for Today

Statement of
Objectives, Principles,
Assumptions, Policies
and Standards

Land Use

Relationship to Other
Planning Efforts

Housing

Climate Change-
Related Hazard
Vulnerability
Assessment

Circulation

Parks, Recreation and
Open Space

Economic
Development

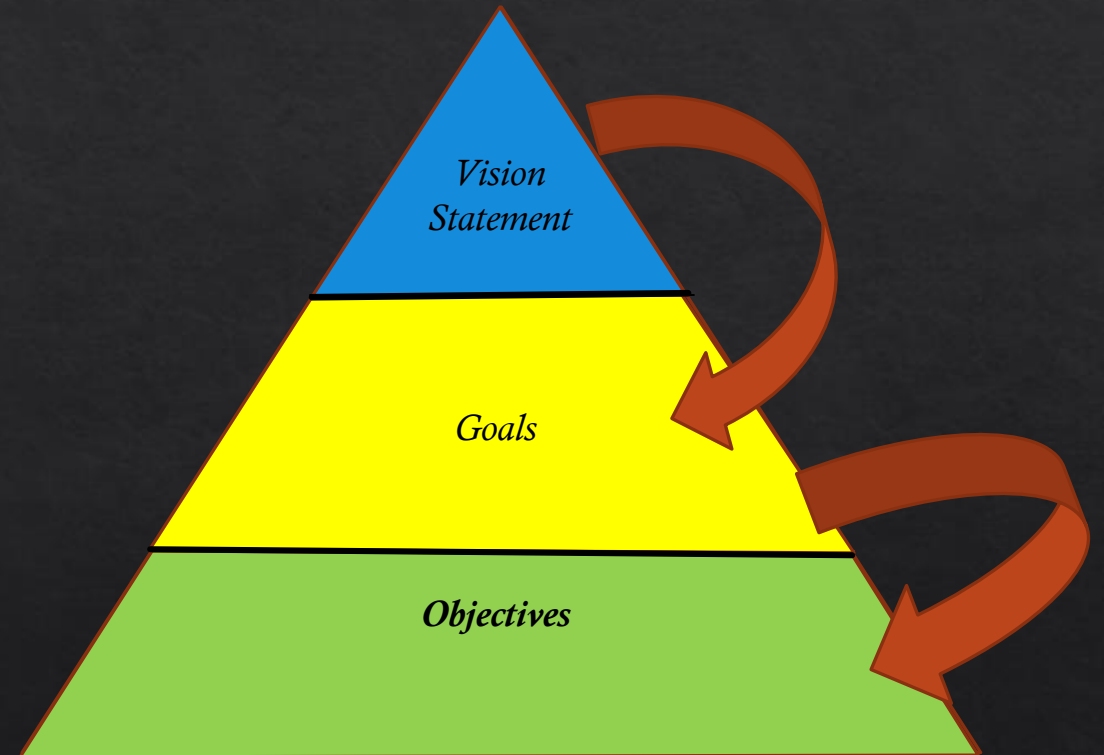
Utility Service

Historic Preservation

Vision, Goals, and Objectives

“A statement of objectives, principles, assumptions, policies and standards upon which the constituent proposals for the physical, economic and social development of the municipality are based.”

Municipal Land Use Law 40:55D-28.b.(1)



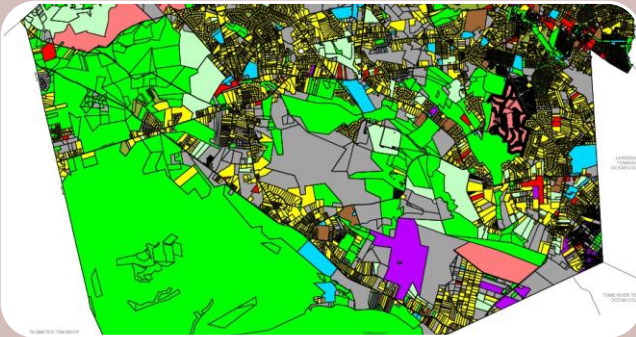
Vision Statement

- ◆ We envision that Jackson Township will continue to evolve into a well balanced community. We foresee a community that provides a diversity of residential opportunities for all types of households; a community with commercial areas capable of serving the local and regional population in a convenient manner; a community with industrial development areas well suited for diversity of economic and employment opportunities; a community with education and public facilities and services that satisfy the levels of services demanded by the population; and a community that protects and preserves the critical components of its natural environment through the proper regulation.

◆ *-Jackson Township 2009 Master Plan*



Goals



“To achieve a pattern and mix of land uses that achieves various community planning objectives.”



“To provide for the orderly and efficient movement of people and goods throughout the Township.”



“To preserve the appropriate open space for public use and access due to its unique ecological or recreational value and to develop passive and active recreation facilities that satisfy the current and future needs of the community.”

Objectives



To direct growth into areas suited for development .

To encourage preservation of areas that are unique due to its ecological or recreational value.

To direct large commercial/industrial growth in areas close to highway access.

Land Use Plan Element - Statutory Requirements



Relationship of the Land Use Element to other Master Plan Elements and natural conditions

Existing and proposed location, extent and intensity of land development in the municipality and the relationship to existing and proposed zone plans and zoning ordinance.

Existing and proposed location of airports and airport safety zones.

Statement of the standards of population density and development intensity recommended for the municipality.

Existing and proposed location of military facilities, and strategies to minimize encroachments on and conflicts with these facilities.

Statement of strategy concerning smart growth, storm resiliency, and environmental sustainability.

Existing and proposed location of public electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Land Use Plan Element – What it Does



Provides long-range policy guide for development and redevelopment in the Township



Provides foundation to support Township's Zoning Ordinance



Identifies existing land uses and development patterns



Makes appropriate recommendations to reach land use goals and objectives

Public Comment Period – Guiding Questions

What do you see for the future of Jackson?

What should be the goals for Jackson in the next 10 years?

What are the current strengths of the Township? What are some areas that can be improved?

What type of development do you want to see (or not want to see) in Jackson?

What is the proper balance of land uses (residential, commercial, industrial, recreational) in Jackson?

Thank You

Please follow along with the Master Plan process and make additional comments at the Township website:

<https://www.jacksontownshipnj.net>

