

Vision Augusta

To all Augusta citizens, organizations & groups, and community leaders – we *need your input!*

Augusta has embarked on a mission to create a community vision. *What is a vision?* A vision is a community's desired 'destination' for its future. In order to identify a worthy and guiding vision, a visioning process has been initiated by the following coordinating groups: Augusta Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Augusta, Inc., City of Augusta, Augusta Progress, Inc., Augusta School District – USD 402, and AquaTech Engineering . A community vision includes a value-driven vision statement, categories of focus (i.e. education, quality of life, infrastructure, etc), priority list of projects, and an action plan for funding, timing, and implementation of those projects.

Our next two Vision Augusta meetings will be held at the **Augusta High School library on Tuesday, January 29** and **Tuesday, February 12 at 7 PM.** *Everyone is invited to attend and help define our community vision.*

Besides attending our community meetings, we have **one important request: take 15 minutes and complete the LAND survey provided.** What is the LAND survey or analysis? The **LAND** Analysis survey focuses on four main points of interest: **liabilities** (those things that bring challenges to our city), **Assets** (those things that make Augusta special or valuable), **Needs** (those things we must have for our city), **Dreams** (those things we want for our city...representing our hopes and dreams).

Your feedback will be instrumental as we begin to realize a 'sense of the possible' and begin to believe and work toward our goals. Together, we have the ability to build a stronger community with shared goals, shared dreams, and a shared vision that provides a foundation for change, improvement, and evaluation.

“A vision without a task is but a dream, a task without a vision is drudgery, a vision and a task is the hope of the world.”

~ From a church in Sussex, England, ca. 1730

Questions? Please contact Sharon at the Chamber (775-6339 or email augustacoc@sbcglobal.net) or email Mayor Williams at 775-1440 or kristeywilliams@yahoo.com. Please return surveys to the chamber, City Hall, or by email by **Feb. 8.**

Vision Augusta: how to conduct a LAND Survey Analysis

Step One: Share the Vision Augusta purpose with your organization/business/school/church group (see attachment) *and* give schedule of events

Step Two: Ask individuals to take 5-10 minutes to individually brainstorm items for each category of the LAND Analysis (i.e. for Liabilities: aging infrastructure, limited growth area, rivers/flood plain, need for greater economic base, etc).

Step Three: As a group, discuss responses together.

Step Four: Make one master list that has the top 3-5 items (please rank in importance) for each LAND category.

Step Five: Share your results by emailing to chamber augustacoc@sbcglobal.net or kristey/williams@yahoo.com or by dropping response off at Chamber or City Hall. Please have responses to us by Feb. 8.

Step Six: We invite each of you to get involved and help us draft a working Vision!

LAND Analysis

Liabilities	Assets	Needs	Dreams	Comments:
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
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