


Issues and Opportunities Chart

 St. Anthony Comp Plan – Visioning Mtg 4.11.16	Issues / Concerns	Opportunities
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus shelters & frequency concern of bus routes • Not as walkable, bikeable as it could be • Not a walkable community, planners give priority to motor vehicles • Street redevelopment does not integrate walk/bike safety in design – bury power lines – Future planning should happen now • Dangerous intersections, Silver Lake Rd is busy (& 37th) • Connection to 694 makes us a main thoroughfare • Bus shelters? • No separate bike lanes for commuters • Bikes/pedestrians are seen as recreational, not transportation • Potentially dangerous intersections (i.e. 29th & SLR, etc) • Lack of pedestrian/bike to key employer sites and commercial sites • Current system oriented to cars – less opportunity for driving as gas supplies dwindle • Lack of bike/ped/transit safety & availability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create more bus shelters & more frequent route • Create more bike and walking paths • Bus route for commuting to work, Look to expand bus opportunities • Proximity to Minneapolis and St. Paul • Re-route cars around on 88 • Bridge over Kenzie Terrace @ Stinson • Put sidewalks wherever streets are redone • Complete Grand Rounds • Add sidewalks & upgrade intersections for safety • Connect trails • Redevelop to minimize roads to accommodate pedestrians, bikers, pets, etc • Rethink lighting, garage, street widths • Neighboring cities connections
Land Use & Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship with the city and the developers must improve so the city maintains sufficient investment in the projects as well as the developers • Lack of affordable housing for all types of families • Walmart • Poor maintenance of green space • Long-term affordability • Redevelopment needed at trailer park and several commercial areas • Lack of space for new development • Lack of integration between use areas • Green spaces are primarily <u>water-intensive</u> grass • Parking lots • Beekeeping requires more land than most lots have • Redevelop business parks, make them future forward and attracting clientele • Upkeep of residential • We <u>need</u> to have more desirable, nicer, high end single family homes. Will encourage new residents, improve city demographics, attract more business & increase property tax revenue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capture more tax dollars with positive developers similar to Linden Hills • Update zoning ordinances • Lowry Grove, Multi-family, Multi-use → AFFORDABLE • Walmart • Incorporate native plants and eliminate chemicals • Restrict teardowns & preserve what we have • Keep community vibrant w/ new residents • Manage density to maintain quality of services • Creative development of few vacant parcels (i.e. bowling alley) • Redevelopment with economic diversity in mind and blending of land use spaces • Redevelop on Kenzie Terrace • Solve Walmart (YWCA) • More density, less parking lots • Multidwelling housing for seniors to transition out of homes and stay in community

Environmental

- Ordinances are not forward-thinking
- Water quality in lakes
- Tree removal during street renovation
- City position for sustainability/growth opportunities
- Silver Lake water quality
- Clay soil
- Groundwater quality
- Encourage business and homeowners to reduce runoff, reduce water use
- Water quality (drinking & surface) threats
- Silver Lake: too many carp, adjoining lawns
- More pollinators, diverse plantings, native plantings, fruit trees, more trees
- Energy and land use practices are not sustainable
- Not enough green space
- Water quality

- Water-holding facility on Silver Lake
- Ban pesticides
- Plant more trees
- Banning plastic bags
- Silver Lake is a great resource. Maintain and improve it.
- New technology for improvements
- Wealth of resources to conserve natural resources (water, energy, etc)
- Be forward-thinking with technology
- Explore grants, funding sources, volunteers to expand greening the city

Public Spaces

- Make sure there are adequate parks & public space throughout
- Update the Community Center
- Public Meeting spaces
- Safety & health of parks
- Aging community center
- Community center very active – could it be upgraded
- Private businesses are our public spaces – could there be public park component?
- Rundown areas (i.e. Walmart, Commercial areas at 40th/Stinson etc)
- Lack of development due to lack of big box store
- Use of chemical on public grass
- City Hall is ugly (building)
- Gym in community center is too small
- Space for resident students in public schools

- More mixed-use space
- Replace turf with natives, trees, natural playground equipment
- Update Community Center to meet the needs of the community
- Summer ice rink
- Add anchor store, other retail
- Environmentally friendly/sustainable landscaping
- Dog drinking fountains
- Dog park @ Central park
- Farmers markets
- City Parks