



Long Range Planning Division 2008 Neighborhood Planning Annual Report



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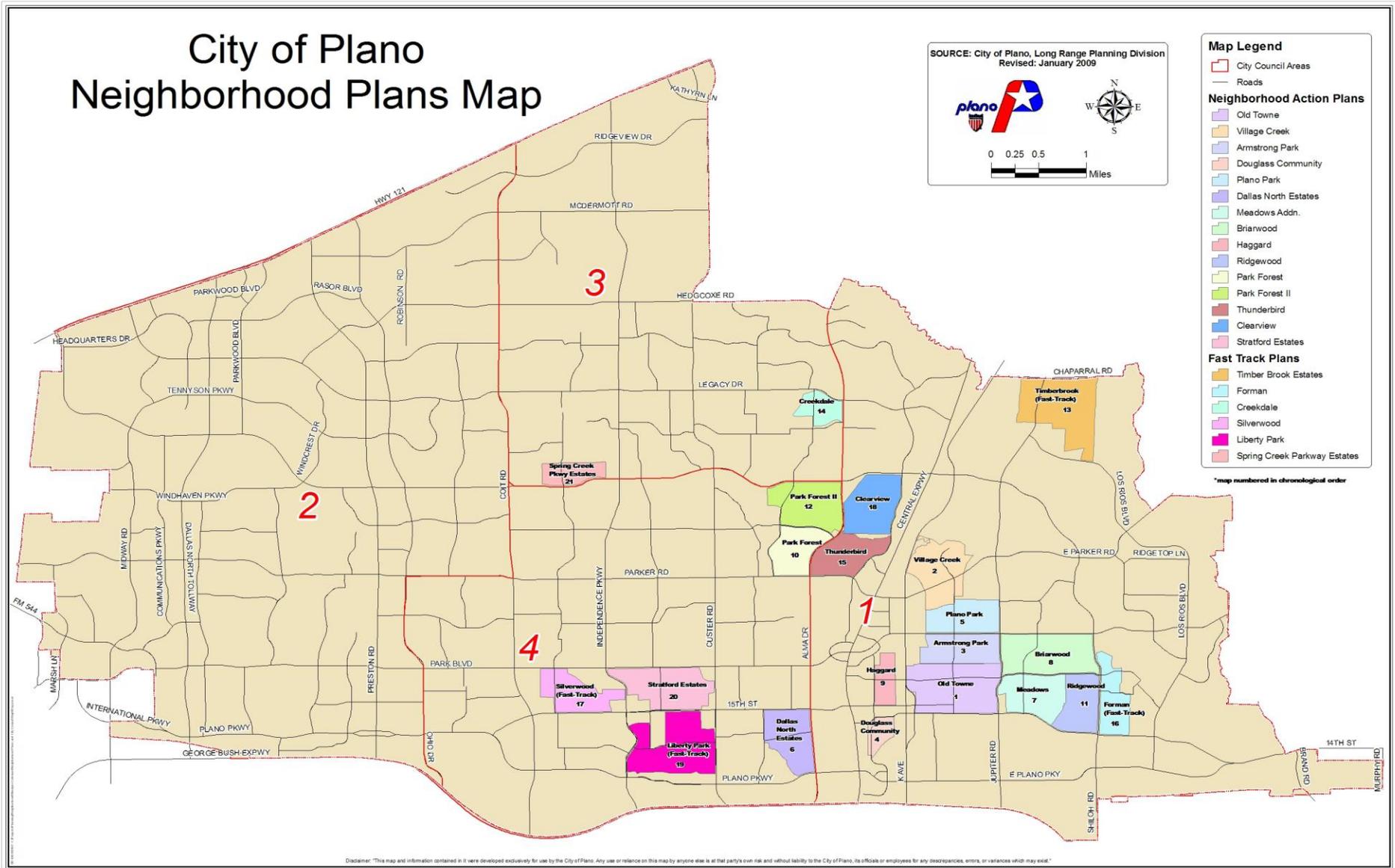
Neighborhood Action Plan List

Neighborhood Plans (Full-Scale and Fast-Track) are listed in chronological order

Neighborhood Action Plans	Date Completed (Adopted by Council)	Resolution
Old Towne	8-23-1999	99-8-24(R)
Village Creek	5-22-2000	2000-5-31 (R)
Armstrong Park	4-9-2001	2001-4-14(R)
Douglass Community	11-11-2002	2002-11-14(R)
Plano Park	3-18-2003	2003-3-5(R)
Dallas North Estates	9-22-2003	2003-9-49(R)
Meadows Addition	10-14-2003	2003-10-19(R)
Briarwood	5-24-2004	2004-5-23(R)
Haggard	6-28-2004	2004-6-26(R)
Ridgewood	12-21-2004	2004-12-34(R)
Park Forest	1-24-2005	2005-1-26(R)
Park Forest II	9-26-2005	2005-9-31 (R)
<i>Timberbrook Estates</i>	<i>(Fast-Track) 2005</i>	<i>N/A</i>
Thunderbird	9-26-2005	2005-9-32(R)
<i>Forman</i>	<i>(Fast-Track) 2006</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Creekdale</i>	<i>(Fast-Track) 2006</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Silverwood</i>	<i>(Fast-Track) 2006</i>	<i>N/A</i>
Clearview	8-27-2007	2007-8-27(R)
<i>Liberty Park</i>	<i>(Fast-Track) 2007</i>	<i>N/A</i>
Stratford Estates	8-25-2008	2008-8-14(R)
Spring Creek Parkway Estates	<i>(Fast-Track)2008</i>	<i>N/A</i>

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SECTION ONE:

Neighborhoods with Pending Projects

Douglass Community (2002)



The [Douglass Community Action Plan](#) was completed in 2002. Residents and city staff are working to complete the project listed below.



Project Work Remaining:

Objective	Cost	Responsibility
Develop Douglass Community Park	\$200,000 (preliminary estimate)	Parks & Recreation

Recent Updates:

- ❖ As noted in the 2007 annual report, Parks and Recreation acquired the land for the **Douglass Community Park** (site outlined in red on map). In 2008, Parks & Recreation met with consultants from Thompson Landscape Architects as well as the Douglass Community Residents Group to discuss the park plans. Funding for this project will be included in the 2009 Bond Referendum, which will be presented before voters in May 2009.
 - *Planned park improvement include:* small neighborhood playground with swings, drinking fountain w/dog bowl, small pavilion, picnic tables, plaza area of pavilion and playground, benches, tree plantings and turf areas, irrigation system, parallel parking along H Avenue, fence at adjacent residential properties, and a short fence at playground.

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DOUGLASS – Ongoing

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Neighborhood Policing	Staff Time	Neighborhood Police	Ongoing

DOUGLASS – Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Sidewalks along F Avenue	\$100,000	Engineering	Completed
Mitigate neighborhood speeding	N/A	Residents/ Transportation Engineering	Some speeding alleviated due to narrowing of F Avenue. Increased police enforcement
Install sign toppers	\$1,650	Neighborhood Planning	Completed
Alley abandonment	N/A	Douglass Community	Completed
Acquire land for park improvements	\$135,000	Parks & Recreation	Completed

DOUGLASS – Other

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Construct sidewalks throughout the community	\$100,000	Engineering	Requires easements from residents. Engineering cannot construct sidewalks until residents provide easements.

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Dallas North Estates (2003)



The [Dallas North Estates Neighborhood Action Plan](#) was adopted by City Council in 2003. Pending projects are progressing despite minor project delays. Please see recent updates below.



Project Work Remaining:

Objective	Cost	Responsibility
Ensure the path through Overland Trail is well lit; install additional lighting where necessary	\$20,000	Parks & Recreation/ Engineering
Ensure that residents have a safe pedestrian and bicycle connection to the City of Plano Hike and Bike trails by improving the crossings at Alma Drive and 15 th Street and completing the pathway along the west side of Springbrook Drive between the Texas Pool and 15 th Street	\$35,000	Parks & Recreation/ Transportation Engineering

Recent Updates:

- ❖ **Overland Trail** will be constructed with a paving reconstruction project for Springbrook Drive from Janwood Drive to Quill Drive (see blue line on map). Engineering plans to construct the trail during the later stages of the project. At this time, plans do not include additional lighting along the trail. The street paving project is underway and expected to be complete by Dec. 2009 or Jan. 2010.
- ❖ The master plan for the **Hike and Bike trail** was completed in 2008 and construction plans are currently being drafted. Project construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2009. At this time, Transportation Engineering does not anticipate crossing modifications or alterations at Alma Drive and 15th Street.

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DALLAS NORTH ESTATES – Ongoing

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure streets are well maintained and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with City of Plano Engineering and Public Works Departments to address these concerns	Existing Budgets	Residents/ Engineering/ Public Works	Public Works inventories the condition of all streets, sidewalks, alleys, and screening walls on a 3 to 4 year schedule
Enhance code compliance by posting signs with bulk trash requirements to remind residents of bulk trash collection day	Approximately \$30/sign	Dallas North Estates Neighborhood Association	Resident Initiative
Manage change in the neighborhood by maintaining an open dialogue between representatives of St. Mark's Church and residents about changes to properties on Brentwood Drive	None	Residents/ St. Mark's representatives	Ongoing
Maintain the existing tree canopy by replacing dead or dying trees. Obtain funding to offset the cost of buying trees by participating in the Keep Plano Beautiful Beautification Matching Grant Program or Plano Parks Foundation Matching Grant	Existing Budgets	Residents	Resident Initiative
Evaluate the landscaping at 15 th Street and Alma Drive for sight distance. Ensure that the bushes along Alma Drive between 15 th Street and Plano Parkway are trimmed to comply with standards established in the city ordinance	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Ongoing
Protect the stability and residential character of the neighborhood by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets program to minimize the speed and volume of cut-through traffic	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Resident Initiative

DALLAS NORTH ESTATES – Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Reduce the number of code violations in the neighborhood by educating residents concerning the most common code violations and advocating strict enforcement of city codes	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards/ Police Departments	Educational meeting facilitated
Make street identification easier by installing advance street notification signs for Janwood Drive and Meadow Crest Drive	Existing Budgets	Transportation Engineering	Completed
Encourage compliance with the city ordinance requiring the collection of dog debris by posting signs along Overland Trail	Existing Budgets	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Support the planned addition of facilities geared towards teenagers to the City of Plano parks system, even if these facilities are in another neighborhood	N/A	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Improve recognition of the Dallas North Estates neighborhood and its boundaries by installing street sign toppers.	Sign toppers- approx. \$1,600 from existing Neighborhood Planning Budget	Neighborhood Planning	Completed
Reduce traffic conflicts along Alma Drive by installing a no U-turn sign along Alma Drive across from the intersection at Janwood Drive	Existing Budgets	Traffic Engineering	Completed
Meet with board members of the Texas Pool to mediate a solution to the parking conflicts around the Texas Pool	Staff Time	Residents/ Traffic Engineering/ Police/ Neighborhood Planning	Completed
Oakhill Drive and Northridge Drive are dimly lit. Ensure that street lighting meets minimum city standards	Existing Budgets	Engineering	Completed – Existing lighting in the area meets City standards
Consult with the City of Plano Urban Forester. Educate residents on tree preservation by inviting the City of Plano Urban Forester to present strategies for tree maintenance and preservation	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed
Enhance use of Overland Trail with the provision of picnic tables and trash bins. Remove the old grill to the south of Texas Pool	Approximately \$5,000 (existing budget)	Parks & Recreation	Completed

DALLAS NORTH ESTATES – Other

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Deter neighborhood crime by forming a neighborhood watch group	Staff Time	Residents/ Police	Residents chose not to pursue
Several trees in the center median along Westwood Drive between Janwood Drive and Carmel Drive have died and/or fallen. Assess the health of the remaining trees and consider replacing them with a more suitable plant	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Existing trees have been pruned; because of the size of the existing trees, there is no room to plant additional species at this time

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Briarwood (2004)

The [Briarwood Neighborhood Action Plan](#) was presented to and approved by City Council in 2004. Collaborative efforts of Parks, Engineering, Property Standards and Police, the residents, and the Neighborhood Planner, are required to finish the projects.



Project Work Remaining:

Objective	Cost	Responsibility
Address the flooding in Bob Woodruff Park	\$65,000 - \$115,000	Parks & Recreation

Recent Updates:

- ❖ Construction improvement plans to address the flooding in **Bob Woodruff Park** are underway. Parks & Recreation plans to complete this project in winter 2009.

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BRIARWOOD – Ongoing

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Maintain the existing tree canopy by replacing dead or dying trees	N/A	Residents	Ongoing
Create a clean and safe neighborhood. Be vigilant in the reporting and enforcement of code violations	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards / Police	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Reduce crime and increase an overall sense of peace and safety in the neighborhood by forming a neighborhood crime-watch group	N/A	Residents	Crime-watch group is active
Improve a sense of community and neighborhood cohesiveness by forming a neighborhood association	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Provide an opportunity for neighbors to get to know one another by organizing an annual block party	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Request a survey of neighborhood trees by the City of Plano Urban Forester to identify and inventory neighborhood trees. Meet with the City of Plano Urban Forester to review the survey results and to learn about tree care maintenance	Staff Time	Residents/ Urban Forester	Resident Initiative
Seek funding to offset the cost of buying trees by participating in the keep Plano Beautiful Matching Grant Program	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Ensure the neighborhood creeks are well- maintained	N/A	Engineering	Ongoing

BRIARWOOD – Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure that neighborhood infrastructure is maintained	1,801,085	Engineering/ Public Works	Completed
Improve compliance with Property Standards regulations by educating residents about the "Top Ten Code Violations"	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards/ Police	Completed
Ensure that residents have a safe pedestrian route to Bob Woodruff Park. Investigate the possibility of improving pedestrian friendliness at the intersection at Park Boulevard and Shiloh Road	Staff Time	Engineering	Crosswalks Exist – Controlled with "ped-heads"

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure that streets and sidewalks are well lighted by evaluating dark areas in the 1900 block of Jupiter Road	Staff Time	Engineering	Lights within 600 ft. standard – the street lights are no more than 300 feet apart
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Housing Rehabilitation	Completed
Create a resource list that elderly residents can refer to for help with basic property maintenance	Staff Time	Residents	Completed
Work with Oncor to resolve the frequent and prolonged power outages in the neighborhood	Staff Time	Residents	Completed
Promote broader recognition of Briarwood's name and boundaries with the installation of sign toppers in the neighborhood	\$2,000 (Neighborhood Planning Budget)	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Completed
Repair guardrails in Willow Creek Park that have become unstable due to creek erosion	\$65,000 to \$115,000	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Protect the residential character of the neighborhood from cut-through traffic and speeding, while maintaining convenient access to and across major arterial streets by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets Program	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Resident Initiative
Create a stronger Hike and Bike trail connection to Bob Woodruff Park	\$48,850	Parks & Recreation	Completed (in 2008)

BRIARWOOD – Other

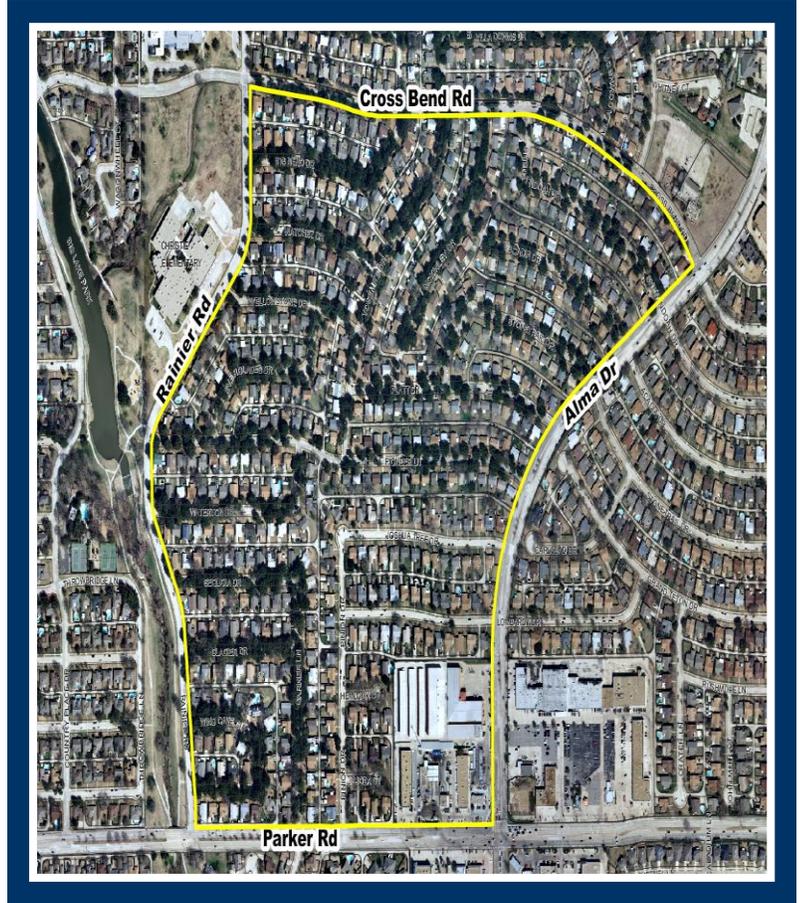
Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Investigate the need for a traffic light at the intersection of Park Boulevard and Rigsbee Drive Install a light if warranted	Staff Time/ approximately \$100,000 to install light if warranted	Engineering	Investigated – Warrants unfounded

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Park Forest (2005)



The [Park Forest Neighborhood Action Plan](#) is one of the more recent neighborhood projects. The project started in 2005 and projections indicate that the major projects will all be completed by 2008. This particular project requires efforts from the Parks & Recreation and the residents in the Park Forest neighborhood.



Project Work Remaining:

Objective	Cost	Responsibility
Install additional lights along <u>pathway in Big Lake Park</u>	\$8,000-12,000	Parks & Recreation

Recent Updates:

- ❖ Construction plans for lighting along the pathway in Big Lake Park are underway. Staff plans to meet with neighborhood residents in spring 2009 and construction is scheduled to begin in fall 2009.

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PARK FOREST – Other

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Maintain the existing tree canopy by replacing dead or dying trees	N/A	Residents	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Ensure that neighborhood streets, alleys, and sidewalks are well maintained. Work with the City of Plano Public Works Department to complete an inventory of existing conditions and necessary repairs	Staff Time	Public Works	Public Works inventories the condition of all streets, sidewalks, alleys, and screening walls on a 3 to 4 year schedule
Report and enforce property standards issues.	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Provide an opportunity for neighbors to get to know one another by organizing an annual block party	N/A	Residents	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Request a survey of neighborhood trees by City of Plano Urban Forester to identify and inventory neighborhood trees. Meet with the City of Plano Urban Forester to review the survey results and to learn about tree care and maintenance	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	The City's Urban Forester inventoried the neighborhood then met with residents to discuss the current tree inventory and maintenance
Conduct a periodic review to ensure that these parks continue to meet the needs of a changing neighborhood demographic	N/A	LRP staff/ Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing

PARK FOREST – Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure that streets and sidewalks are well lit. Evaluate existing street lighting to make certain that it meets minimum City distance standards. In cases where lighting is obscured by the tree canopy, work with property owners to get these trees trimmed	Staff Time Approx. \$3,000 per light, if warranted (existing budgets)	Residents/ Engineering	Completed – Additional lights not warranted
Improve compliance with Property Standards by educating residents about the Top Ten Code Violations.	Staff Time	Property Standards	Completed
Repair damage to the playground equipment at Chisholm Trail Park	Existing Parks Budget	Parks & Recreation	Two playgrounds have been replaced
Treat for fire ants around Big Lake Park, especially under the benches	Existing Parks Budget	Parks & Recreation	Treated for fire ants

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Seek funding to offset the cost of buying trees by participating in the KPB Matching Grant Program and/or the Plano Parks Foundation's Matching Grant Program	Existing Budgets	Resident	Resident Initiative
Promote home ownership by sending a targeted mailer about the City of Plano First Time Homebuyer's Program to rental properties in the neighborhood	Staff Time Approximately \$150.00 from CDBG Funding	Neighborhood Services	Completed
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Neighborhood Services	Resident Initiative
Promote broader recognition of Park Forest's name and boundaries with the installation of sign toppers in the neighborhood	Sign Toppers – Approx. \$1,500 (from existing Neighborhood Planning Budget)	Residents / Neighborhood Planning	Completed (in late 2006)

PARK FOREST – Other

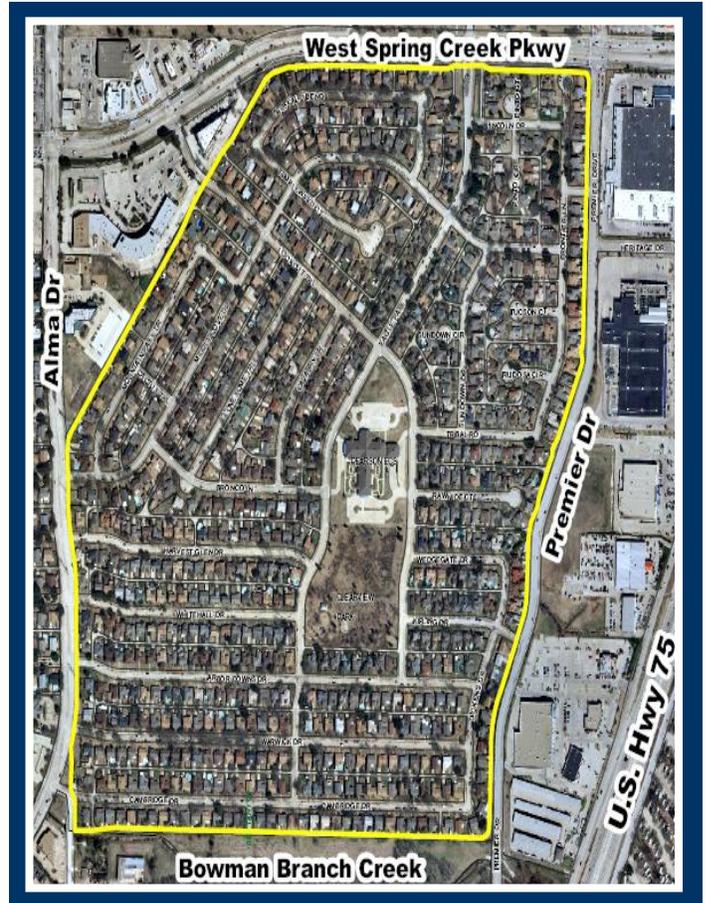
Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Reduce crime and increase an overall sense of peace and safety in the neighborhood by forming a neighborhood crime watch group	N/A	Residents	Too few residents are willing to participate in the neighborhood crime watch program. The goal has not been completed
Improve sense of community and neighborhood cohesiveness by forming neighborhood association	N/A	Residents	At this time, residents do not want to form a neighborhood association
Protect the residential character of the neighborhood from cut-through traffic and speeding, while maintaining convenient access to and across major arterial streets by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets Program	Staff Time	Residents/ Transportation Engineering	The only investigation request received in the last couple of years in that area is Cross Bend Road from Alma Drive to Rainier Road. Safe Streets did heavy enforcement and then mailed out a temporary plan to the residents. The temporary plan failed due to lack of response. There was a 46% response rate on the survey, and Safe Streets requires at least 50% response from the neighborhood. Of those that responded, 76% were in support of the temporary plan

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Clearview (2007)



The [Clearview Neighborhood Action Plan](#) was adopted by City Council in August 2007. The Clearview Park Revitalization project is the only pending project for this action plan. For more information on resident initiatives that have occurred since 2007 in Clearview, please review the completed projects matrix on page 17.



Project Work Remaining:

Objective	Cost	Responsibility
Clearview Park Revitalization Plan	\$675,000	Parks & Recreation

Recent Updates:

- ❖ The [Clearview Park Revitalization Plan](#) construction was originally scheduled to begin in fall 2008. Due to budget constraints, project construction was postponed. In January 2009, this project was included within the Park Improvements item of the Preliminary 2009 Bond Referendum package, which was presented to City Council; bond election to occur in May 2009. Clearview Park improvements include:
 - Enhance park playground equipment to provide equipment appropriate for more age groups.
 - Create a more inviting environment by adding shade structures and trees.
 - Establish the park as a neighborhood focal point – update pavilion and shade seating areas.
 - Ensure Clearview Park complies with current ADA regulations.

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CLEARVIEW – Ongoing

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Purchase additional crime watch signs for specified sections of the neighborhood.	Approx. \$150 (with pole \$82, without pole \$50)	Neighborhood Planning/ Crime Prevention Unit/ Residents	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Distribute information to increase awareness by educating residents about property standards and the Top 10 Code Violations	\$500	Property Standards	Ongoing
Initiate Safe Streets Program and subsequent petitioning process (if applicable) to install signage and/or calming devices to reduce speeding in alleys and on residential streets	Street-\$85/sign Alley-\$300/set Traffic devices- \$50K/set	Residents/ Transportation Engineering	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Increase police presence on Lookout Trail, Eagle Pass, Middle Cove, and Cambridge Drive to reduce high-speed traffic and stop sign runners, and to improve the overall safety in the community	Staff Time	Neighborhood Police Officers (NPO) Unit	Ongoing
Increase safety and security in Clearview Park by increasing police patrol	Staff Time	Neighborhood Police Officers (NPO) Unit	Ongoing

CLEARVIEW – Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Establish a Neighborhood Watch Group	Staff Time	Plano Crime Prevention Unit/ Residents	Completed (June 21, 2007)
Communicate safety measures as well as problems in the neighborhood by circulating a newsletter or e-newsletter.	\$70.44	Residents/ Neighborhood Planning	Completed (spring 2008) – Future newsletters will be the responsibility of the residents
Enhance the ability to communicate information throughout the neighborhood by creating a Clearview Web site	N/A	Neighborhood Planning/ Residents	Completed
Create a sense of community by hosting events such as National Night Out, neighborhood clean up, and a neighborhood block party.	N/A	Residents	Clearview hosted their first National Night Out event on October 7, 2008. In 2008, they also hosted a neighborhood yard sale and picnic in the park

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Connect the Clearview neighborhood with surrounding communities by adding a sidewalk along the new screening wall that was completed in June 2007 along Spring Creek Parkway between Alma Drive and Premier Drive	\$40,097.46 (from Existing Budget)	Engineering/ Public Works	Completed (December 2007)
Create a neighborhood association to foster community interaction and ensure ongoing neighborhood vitality	N/A	Neighborhood Planning/ Residents	Completed (July 2007)
Promote broader recognition of the Clearview Neighborhood and its boundaries by installing sign toppers throughout the neighborhood	Approx. \$2,000 (from Existing Neighborhood Planning Budget)	Neighborhood Planning	Completed (December 2007)
Host a sign topper ribbon cutting ceremony to symbolize neighborhood cohesiveness and the end of the Neighborhood Planning process	N/A	Neighborhood Planning/ Residents	Completed Ribbon-cutting Ceremony (December 8, 2007)
Clearview Neighborhood Association conducted a picnic in the park and neighborhood yard sale	N/A	Residents	Completed (August 2008)
Clearview Neighborhood Association hosted its first National Night Out	N/A	Residents	Completed (October 2008)

CLEARVIEW – Other

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Install signage to prohibit (or prevent) vehicles (except for city service vehicles) from driving through the open field south of Cambridge Drive.	\$85/sign if warranted	Residents/ Public Works	Public Works Department will not install signs in alley rights of way because of existing utilities in the alley right of way that might be damaged by the sign installation. City of Plano cannot install signs on private property. Property owner can put up no trespassing signs and install a fence on his side of the property line. Cables and posts prevent access off Premier Drive and barricades prevent access off Brittany Drive.

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Stratford Estates (2008)

The [Stratford Estates Neighborhood Action Plan](#) was adopted in August 2008. Pending projects are listed below. The Stratford Estates Neighborhood Association will continue to work with city staff to implement remaining projects.



Project Work Remaining:

Objective	Cost	Responsibility
Work with Transportation Engineering to develop a plan that will divert or alleviate cut-through traffic at specified neighborhood entryways	Determined by course of action	Transportation Engineering/ Residents
Provide waste pickup/disposal station(s) for pet (dog) owners	\$375 (install) + \$300/yr for maintenance	Park Maintenance

Recent Updates:

- ❖ Residents will meet with Transportation Engineers in 2009 to discuss neighborhood **cut-through traffic** concerns. Outcome pending meetings.
- ❖ New construction of **pet waste dispenser stations** is pending due to the availability of funds.

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STRATFORD ESTATES – Ongoing

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Establish a committee to work with Property Standards staff to inform residents about city standards and available resources to prevent the decline of property conditions	N/A	Residents/ Property Standards	Resident Initiative
Compile and maintain a neighborhood inventory of streets, sidewalks, curbs, and alleys that are in need of repair and convey this information to city staff to initiate these repairs when funds are available	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Encourage individual homeowner lawn/landscaping improvements with periodic recognition awards	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Promote home and neighborhood projects that will improve the appearance of the neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Initiate Special Enforcement Requests (SERs) to address isolated traffic violations throughout the neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Initiate the Safe Streets Program and its subsequent petitioning process (if applicable) to install signage and/or calming devices (such as speed cushions) to reduce speeding on residential streets	Street sign (\$85/sign)/ Alley (\$300/set)/ Calming devices (\$50K/set)	Residents/ Transportation Engineering	Resident Initiative
Establish a Neighborhood Crime Watch Group	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Communicate safety tips by circulating a semi-annual newsletter or e-newsletter	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Initiate the petitioning process to install additional street lights if street light spacing requirements have been met	Approx. \$5600	Residents/ Engineering	Resident Initiative – If spacing requirements are met, residents pay 2/3 of cost of installation.
Participate in the Adopt-a-Creek Program for Pittman Creek	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work with Cub Scout Pack 285 and other community groups on park and creek cleanup projects	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work with city engineers to assess Pittman Creek erosion issue and determine possible solutions	From Existing CIP Budget (if feasible)	Residents/ Engineering	Improvements to be determined after onsite assessment by Engineering

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Foster more neighborhood interaction by hosting neighborhood-wide events such as National Night Out, the Neighborhood Dumpster Program, or an annual garage sale	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Enhance the ability to communicate information to residents by creating a neighborhood association Web site and promoting this Web site through mailings, word of mouth, and leaflets in utility bills	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

STRATFORD ESTATES – Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Create a neighborhood association to act as a foundation and catalyst for neighborhood initiatives	N/A	Residents	Completed (October 21, 2008)
Enhance the Stratford Estates Yahoo Group, (an online discussion forum created by residents)	N/A	Residents	Completed
Promote a broader recognition of the Stratford Estates Neighborhood by installing sign toppers throughout the neighborhood	N/A	Residents/ Neighborhood Planning	Completed Kick-off Event (October 11, 2008)
Anchor picnic tables and chairs in Rustic Park. Make improvements to support outdoor gatherings and activities	Staff Time	Park Maintenance	Completed (2008)
Improve the turf at Rustic Park	\$1000/year	Park Maintenance	Completed (2008) Cool season Fescue grass was planted in shaded areas of Rustic Park
Trim trees and work to reduce vegetation clutter	Staff Time	Park Maintenance	Completed (2008) Trees were trimmed to Park Department standards

STRATFORD ESTATES – Other – N/A

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Section Two:

Neighborhoods with Ongoing, Completed, or Other
Projects

Old Towne (1999)

OLD TOWNE – Ongoing Projects

[Action Plan](#)

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Place small, temporary signs (4'x 6') near major intersections and high traffic areas to highlight residential rehabilitation programs and provide contact information	\$50-100/sign	City of Plano	In Place and Ongoing
Enhance existing trees and foliage while maintaining mature trees	N/A	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Plant trees where none exist or the trees are sickly, on properties of Old Towne	N/A	Residents	Ongoing
Use CDBG funds to assist in the restoration of older, historic homes in the neighborhood	N/A	Neighborhood Services	Ongoing
Plano Housing Authority to work with existing apartment complex owners to establish more stringent standards for maintenance	Staff Time	Plano Housing Authority (PHA)	Ongoing
Reduce to compliance the number of people residing in a housing unit	N/A	Property Standards	Ongoing
Make rental property owners accountable for building standards, numbers of tenants, and condition of property	Staff Time	Property Standards	Rental Inspection Program. City Council adopted pilot program in 2006 and continues to expand it - ongoing
Push for inspection of rental units (between tenants) to ensure minimal standards are kept	Staff Time	Property Standards	Rental Inspection Program (06) has been created - ongoing
Redesign recycling containers with handles and wheels for ease of use	\$1,189,522	City of Plano	Smaller recycling (68 gallon) containers are available upon request
Print a directory of Old Towne residents and businesses	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Stay in contact with local Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development staff to stay abreast of possible businesses that need demographic information	N/A	Residents/ Economic Development	Resident Initiative
Develop an education program for non-English speaking residents to help integrate into our community	N/A	Harrington Library/ PISD Adult Education/ Residents	Resident Initiative

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Start a semi-annual cross-cultural get together in order to get to know all in our neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Involvement of the student body of Williams High School (WHS) in monthly community service projects in the neighborhood	N/A	Residents/ WHS	Resident Initiative
Closer communication between the two neighborhood associations	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work with owner at 16 th Street & N Avenue to address concerns over fence around the property and visibility hazards or aesthetics/health issues	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Host an annual work day aimed at maintaining a clean neighborhood where area residents assist physically limited neighbors with the removal of inoperable appliances, bulky items, downed tree limbs and any other debris found in the Old Towne area. Coordinating the program with the City of Plano's annual clean up program. All debris could be collected at a designated area for bulky waste removal	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Dart needs route from neighborhood to transit center	N/A	Residents/ DART	Resident Initiative
Dart should run on weekends	N/A	Residents/ DART	Resident Initiative
Need more rides available for elderly/disabled	N/A	Residents/ DART	Resident Initiative
Monitor visibility problems in areas of Old Towne and report to city when problems occur	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Encourage areas without a crime watch to participate in the program	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Start Citizens On Patrol program to boost neighborhood awareness and communications	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Offer Home Security Surveys to identify security weaknesses in homes and offer solutions	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Have a contact to report truancy issues instead of calling police	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
24-hr police visibility in the neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
"Student Patrol Officers" program to stress the importance of civic duties and responsibilities	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Develop task force of citizens, PISD, Police, JP Court, and County Court to identify real issues and gaps or loop holes in current system as well as offer permanent solutions	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Host annual personal safety fair for Old Towne to promote programs such as crime watch, H.E.A.T., McGruff House, Ident-A-Kid, etc.	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
"Citizens Volunteer Watch" program before and after school hours, watching out for the students walking home and putting more eyes on the streets	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work with Economic Development to help recruit health care facility to east Plano	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work with Economic Development office to recruit restaurant to the Old Towne neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Use demographic information to help recruit needed businesses	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work to preserve the oral history of the neighborhood by appointing History Officers in the Old Towne Neighborhood Team	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Meet with the Convention and Visitors Bureau to brainstorm on event ideas	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Meet with the promote Plano subcommittee of the Chamber of Commerce	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Work with downtown merchants, Haggard Park neighborhood and other organizations to get as much participation as possible	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Meet with Historic Home Specialist to gain insight into the marketing of historic areas	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Develop and print a high quality, color brochure with photos, maps, points of interest and the assets of Old Towne highlighted	N/A	Residents/ Public Information	Resident Initiative
Work with the Public Information Department to design and develop the brochure	N/A	Residents/ Public Information	Resident Initiative
Distribute Old Towne brochures through the Chamber of Commerce Welcome Packages and through real estate associations	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Develop articles with photos and neighborhood resident/business interviews to be printed in the Plano section of the Dallas Morning News	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Include information about Old Towne in the City's web page as the first neighborhood planning area	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Produce letter to be sent by Old Towne Team to owners of sub-standard houses and multi-family buildings asking for assistance in maintaining a quality neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Form an Old Towne task force of neighborhood team members, Property Standards Specialists, Apartment managers and tenants to help keep lines of communication open and solve problems	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Address concerns with rental properties	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Develop an extensive program to bring all housing up to current standards in the Old Towne area	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Make residents aware, in both Spanish and English, of the Housing Rehab Program, its requirements and application procedure	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Assist seniors or disabled citizens or any resident with limited physical or monetary means with lawn and tree maintenance	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Rehabilitate and/or replace deteriorating housing on 15 th Place west of P Avenue to prevent spread of blight on neighboring streets	Existing Budget	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Resident Initiative
Report to Property Standards any nonconforming land use such as auto repair business in a residential area and receive follow-up to action(s) taken	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Support changes that would make land zoned Urban Residential more pedestrian oriented	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Restrict street parking throughout neighborhood to one side only	N/A	Residents/ P&Z	Resident Initiative
Make neighbors aware of and monitor all plans submitted to P&Z to ensure that they are conducive to goals outlined in neighborhood plan	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Monitor industrial areas south of 14 th Street to check for excess noise, odors, dust and related items	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Encourage industrial areas to upgrade their property to meet current zoning ordinance requirement of screening walls and/or living screens	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
No loitering signs (bilingual) in alleys	\$45/sign	Residents	Resident Initiative
Use CDBG funds to renovate the properties west of P Avenue. on 15 th Street & 15 th Place	Existing Budget	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Resident Initiative
"No vehicles over 3 axles" signs at entrances to Old Towne	\$45/sign	Residents/ Public Works	Resident Initiative – Signs must be placed in front of someone's home

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Plant low maintenance shrubbery on 14 th Street (FM 544) to reduce noise floating into the Old Towne area and beautify the boundaries of the area	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Allow infill development of cottage or patio homes in the vacant areas in the Old Towne neighborhood	N/A	Planning Dept./ P&Z Commission	Resident Initiative – Must request that the Planning and Zoning Commission call a public hearing to rezone the area
Restrict street parking near Williams H.S.	N/A	Residents/ P&Z	Resident Initiative – Feasible but the impacted homeowners need to be aware of and agree to make certain areas around their homes "No Parking" zones
Anti—litter signs stating the maximum possible fine to reduce litter	\$45/sign	Residents/ Transportation Engineering/ Public Works	Resident Initiative – Feasible
Restrict street parking near First Baptist Church	N/A	Residents/ P&Z	Resident Initiative – Feasible but the impacted homeowners need to be aware of and agree to make certain areas around their homes "No Parking" zones
Pedestrian crossing signs at major intersections throughout neighborhood	\$45/sign	Transportation Engineering	Ineffective use of signs. Education is the more appropriate way of increasing road user awareness. Each intersection's pedestrian safety features should be reviewed on a case by case basis
Encourage construction of single-family residences that are built to blend in with the existing architecture of the Old Towne neighborhood	N/A	Residents/ Heritage Pres. Officer	Old Towne is in the Preservation Plan – but to create a conservation district, residents need to file a petition

OLD TOWNE – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Traffic buttons to enforce mandatory right turn lane at 18 th Street & L Avenue	Existing Budget/ Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Completed – Updated 2007 – traffic buttons may need repair
Renovate and maintain streets throughout neighborhood	N/A	Public Works	Completed
Pursue the addition of street sign toppers denoting neighborhood name	\$1,650 (Staff Time)	Residents/ Neighborhood Planner	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Renovate and update Williams High School, both internally and externally (reference Clark H.S.)	N/A	Residents/ PISD	Completed
Place historical markers on all historic properties and have them included in the next Historic Plano Walking Tour Map	N/A	Residents/ Heritage Pres. Officer	Completed
Conduct Historic Resource Survey of Old Towne and pursue Historic District designation	Staff Time	Heritage Preservation Officer	Completed
Modify refuse collection schedule to accommodate the trash overflows at apartments and businesses on Municipal Drive & 14 th Street	N/A	Solid Waste	Completed – Problem has been resolved and no longer exists
Ban 18-wheeler traffic in neighborhood	\$45/sign	Residents/ Transportation Engineering/ Public Works	Not entirely feasible. Although 18-wheelers are allowed to drive through the neighborhood they are prohibited from parking
Investigate various speed management devices and install the most effective choices in problem areas to be determined by the neighborhood planning team and the Transportation Engineering Division	\$0 capital for study \$1,000/hump (Staff Time)	Residents/ Transportation Engineering	5 speed humps installed on 15 th Street
Incentives should be offered to commercial property owners to maintain and upgrade their properties	N/A	Economic Development	Incentives are in place for vacant retail
Improved lighting at dogleg (16 th Street & N Avenue)	\$1,000 to \$2,000/pole	Residents / Engineering	Meets Existing Standards
Host a Tour of Homes to promote awareness of the unique homes in Old Towne	N/A	Residents/ Heritage Pres. Officer	Part of the previous Blackland Prairie Festivals
Allow no parking of boats or RVs in front of homes or in driveways, unless they are in the back of the property	N/A	Residents/ Police	Ordinance in Place (enforce law)
Eliminate dark pockets in alleys and streets with better lighting	\$1,000 to \$2,000/pole	Engineering / City Council	Meets existing standards

OLD TOWNE – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Place historic street lights throughout the neighborhood	NA	Residents	Incomplete
Address parking issues on R Avenue between 17 th Street & 18 th Street	N/A	Transportation Engineering	Educated Residents
Install a stop light at 15 th Street & Jupiter Road	\$60,000	P&Z	Does not meet warrants for traffic signal
Close 15 th Street at R Avenue	N/A	Residents / City Council	Not Feasible
Have Property Standards Specialist available after normal working hours and on weekends to investigate neighborhood complaints	Staff Time	Property Standards	Not feasible; specialists work in neighborhoods during regular business hours (after hours is discretionary)
Traffic circle at 15 th Place and R Avenue	\$6,000	Residents / Traffic Advisory Committee	Not Feasible
Ramps in sidewalks	\$56,350	Public Works	Residents do not want sidewalks
Need sidewalks throughout neighborhood	N/A	City Council	Residents do not want sidewalks
Place Diverters on 15 th Place and 14 th Place, between P Avenue & R Avenue (maintaining 2-way traffic)	\$6,000	Transportation Engineering / P&Z	None Planned
Place Historic gateway signs at the following locations: 14 th & L, 15 th & L, 14 th & P, and 18 th & L	\$25,000/sign	Residents / City Council / Eastern Plano Advisory Committee	Not Feasible
Major residential streets in Old Towne, in conjunction with new Plano streetscape design, should look similar to announce entry into Old Towne	\$200,000 to \$500,000/entryway	City Council	Not Feasible
Change city ordinances to reflect higher minimum fines for speeding	N/A	City Council	Not Feasible
Encourage in-fill housing to be only single-family housing.	Staff Time	Planning	Not Feasible

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Place diverters on O Place (maintaining 2-way traffic).	\$4,000	Old Towne / Transportation Engineering / P&Z	None – Some discussion but no plans to go forward
Widen R Avenue between 17 th & 18 th Streets.	N/A	Transportation Engineering	Not Feasible – Standard width for residential roads met. “No Parking” signs are in front of apt. complex; “No Parking from here to corner” signs are on both sides of the street near 18 th Street and R Avenue intersection.
Using professional landscapers, the city should provide coordinating seasonal color from downtown streetscape at major entryways into Old Towne. Area residents will maintain the area	\$200-500K/entryway	City Council/Residents	Not feasible for city to do this but can utilize KPB or Parks Foundation matching grants programs.
In order to preserve the health and beauty of mature and newly planted trees, all electrical, cable, and telephone lines should be placed beneath the ground as streets and alleys are repaired, replaced, or maintained	\$2Million+	City Council	Not Feasible
Improve signage at 16 th Street and N Avenue (limits different on each side of street)	\$80/sign	Residents/ Public Works	Not Warranted – There is five mile difference between the signs, which is probably due to the direction north vs. south bound), and the bend of the road
Make school areas “double fine” zones—similar to construction zones	N/A	City Council	Not Feasible – Requires change of State Law
Any future multifamily should be established through renovation of downtown lofts, patio homes, or garage apartments	N/A	Planning	Not Feasible

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Village Creek (2000)

VILLAGE CREEK – Ongoing Projects

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Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Volunteer project to post house numbers in the alleys to assist in reporting problems by sanitation crews, code enforcement, and emergency services	N/A (Volunteers)	Residents	Ongoing
Periodic walk-through with Property Standards Specialists and concerned neighbors	N/A (Staff Time)	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing
Encourage people to call in complaints	\$500.00 (Brochures)	Property Standards	Ongoing
Use community service volunteers to periodically clean up the neighborhood and park	Volunteers	Property Standards	Ongoing
Clean the pond regularly	\$50/cleaning	Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
The Parks & Recreation hosts many events in Bob Woodruff Park and other parks. We would like to see small events hosted in Shawnee Park	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Improve landscaping along major thoroughfares and in surrounding business complexes to improve neighborhood image and dampen traffic related noise	Depending on Design and Placement	Private Business Owners/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
The neighborhood group will work to encourage the merchants along K Avenue to improve the streetscape and support future plans for improvements	N/A	Residents	Ongoing
Encourage a broader range of uses within the retail areas serving the neighborhood, including fine restaurants, pharmacies, and small retail stores	Staff Time	Economic Development	Ongoing
Host events in the park, such as a crafts fair or a model boat race for the kids, have cleanup days, or annual block parties. The Neighborhood Planning Team would also like to publish a neighborhood newsletter and directory	N/A	Residents	Ongoing
The Neighborhood Planning Team will stay in close contact with Keep Plano Beautiful so that they can benefit from any input that organization might add	N/A	Residents/ Keep Plano Beautiful	Ongoing

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Investigate various speed management devices and install the most effective choices in problem areas to be determined by the Neighborhood Planning Team and the Transportation Engineering Division	\$1000/bump (Staff time)	Transportation Engineering	Resident Initiative
The Neighborhood will open communications with the surrounding businesses to nurture their support for the neighborhood plan	N/A	Residents	Ongoing

VILLAGE CREEK – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Establish a permanent neighborhood Property Standards Inspector	\$70,000 (Staffing)	Property Standards	Completed
Trim low tree branches in both alleys and streets to allow access by tall trucks	\$120,000 City Wide (Operations)	Property Standards	Completed
Explore low or ground level lighting or work to find better placement options for mid-block light	Staff Time	Residents / Engineering	Completed
Explore options for alternatives to street lights, such as landscape floodlights, motion detectors, or a plan to have alternating homes leave their porch lights on during the night	Possible CDBG Funds/ Staff Time	Residents / Neighborhood Services	Completed
Work with City representatives to explore modification to City policies regarding street light spacing in neighborhoods with mature tree canopies	Staff Time	Residents/ Engineering	Completed
Provide professional landscape plans to homeowners and residents. Since many people cannot afford to buy large quantities of landscaping material, they need help knowing how to use what they do have for maximum results. The plans would also help homeowners know how to buy landscaping material in intervals and spread the costs	Volunteers	Residents	Completed
Provide more lighting in the park	\$25-35,000	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Work with city staff to develop stricter standards that will limit the number, frequency and proximity to major roadways of for-profit itinerant merchants who regularly occupy the corners of Parker Road and K Ave. selling sunglasses, rugs, and beanie babies	Staff Time	Building Inspections	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Display name of neighborhood on decorative signs (like at the Douglass Community) at Parker median, P Avenue., K Avenue., and possibly at the entryway to Shawnee Park.	\$15-25,000/ sign	Capital Improvements	Completed (not monument but sign toppers)
The Neighborhood Planning Team would like to see a complete Traffic Flow Analysis of this intersection during the drop off and pick up times at Barron Elementary School	(Staff Time)	Transportation Engineering	Completed
Research grants from utility companies and other private entities to be used to increase the amount of lighting in the neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Completed
Provide roll-off dumpster for large item collection each month until the neighborhood is cleaned up (at least six months)	\$89 per haul/ \$28.08 per ton materials	Solid Waste	Completed
Establish a neighborhood philosophy on how the park area around creeks will be maintained	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed
Increase education efforts from the Solid Waste Department to help teach neighbors how to use the department services more effectively and thus clean up the neighborhood. This should include distribution of schedules showing regular and special collection dates, educational brochures and refrigerator magnets that remind residents of collection rules	Undetermined	Solid Waste	Completed
Police officer to do traffic control at P Avenue. and Parker Road during peak congestion times	Staff Time	Police	Two officers are assigned to the intersection in the morning and afternoon to alleviate problem
Neighborhood representatives should meet with Parks Operation personnel to outline volunteer projects and requirements concerning park maintenance	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed
Plant more trees in the park and along the perimeter of the park	N/A (Tree Farm)	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Add more picnic areas	\$800 each	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Work with Parks & Recreation to identify Shawnee Park's drainage problems	Staff Time	Residents / Parks & Recreation	Completed
Sow grass seed in bare or patchy areas in Shawnee Park	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Install new benches along sidewalks and pond	\$800 each	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Clearly post park rules and closing time	\$55/sign	Parks & Recreation	Completed
The team feels that it is important to rejuvenate the neighborhood Crime Watch Program. It may be more feasible for the two homeowners associations to work cooperatively in a Crime Watch program until more residents are actively participating	N/A	Residents	Completed

VILLAGE CREEK – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
State Law states that 30 MPH is proper for neighborhood streets but the planning team suggests reducing the speed limit to 25 MPH	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Not Recommended: 30 mph is the lowest speed authorized by City Council for residential roads.
Encourage property owners along Parker Road to participate in a Community Development Block Grant program to relocate driveways to the alleys	\$122,000 \$5100/lot CDBG funds	Neighborhood Services	Not Feasible
P Avenue., from Abbey Road to Parker Road needs a "No Parking" sign to prohibit parking during early morning hours and from 2:30-3:30 PM. On street parking near intersections should also be closely monitored	\$45/sign and Staff Time	Residents / Transportation Engineering	Not Feasible
Allow the north and southbound traffic light on P Avenue to remain green longer than it currently does. The way the light currently cycles, after the crossing guard allows the children to cross Parker Road, the northbound traffic has the right-of-way. This allows only one or two southbound cars through the light per cycle. If the light were green longer, more southbound traffic could pass, decreasing the congestion on P Avenue	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Not Feasible
The team feels that the Police Department should be collecting data about those homes that have the most criminal activities and calls. Today, the city does not keep a "score card" on repeat offenders. A scorecard system, similar to the Dallas S.A.F.E. Nuisance Abatement Team should be created. Findings could then be disseminated to the City Attorney as the first step toward completing the necessary legal paper work to seize the problem property. The civil procedure for abating a common or public nuisance is set out in Chapter 125 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code. This suggestion involves two actions; one by the Police Department and the other by the City Attorney's office	Staff Time	Police & Legal	Not Currently Feasible

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Armstrong (2001)

ARMSTRONG PARK – Ongoing Projects

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Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Strictly enforce city codes	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Weeds in the park, specifically the creek beds, should be cleared at least twice per year	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Ensure that alley and street conditions are maintained	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing
Replace dead trees in the park, especially near the playground equipment at the northwest corner of the intersection of 19 th Street and N Avenue	N/A	Residents/ Parks & Recreation/KPB	Resident Initiative – Participate in KPB matching grant program
Ask the City of Plano Forester to evaluate the condition of trees through out the park and make recommendations for preserving those trees	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Trim trees in the park near the Panther Park Shopping Center so that existing lights will be more effective	Staff Time	Parks Maintenance	Ongoing
Heighten enforcement efforts in Armstrong Park	Staff Time	Neighborhood Police Officers	Ongoing
Institute a “welcome wagon” system to welcome new families to the neighborhood and to communicate to them the community goals as outlined in the Armstrong Park Neighborhood Plan	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Create a Neighborhood Directory	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Continue the Adopt a Park efforts	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Publish and regularly distribute a quarterly newsletter	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Expand the Neighborhood Phone Tree to include all residents	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Have more neighborhood socials, mini-projects, block parties, and events for kids	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Start a Neighborhood Safety Task Force and organize a Neighborhood Patrol	N/A	Residents/ Neighborhood Police Officers	Resident Initiative
Continue to support the Neighborhood Police Officer (NPO) program	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Institute an effective education campaign throughout the neighborhood to encourage efficient use of the sanitation services offered by the city	N/A	Residents/ Environmental Services	Resident Initiative
Work to preserve or replace the trees throughout the neighborhood on personal property	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
There should be more litter control in the parks	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Request PISD arts program students to design a mural for the retaining wall near the Panther Park Shopping Center	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Work with DART officials to address concerns about location of stops and vandalism that often occurs at these stops	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Landscaping around the pavilions should be improved	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	The city does not typically provide any landscaping other than trees in this type of park due to the cost of maintenance
The park needs a nice volleyball court	Staff Time/ Existing Budget	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	A sand volleyball court has been added
Install landscaping in the park around the wall near the Panther Park Shopping Center to stop graffiti	Staff Time/ Existing Budget	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Trees have been added along the wall
Install an irrigation system and replace dead or dying trees in the park	Staff Time/ Existing Budget	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	The park has an irrigation system. Staff will follow-up to find out if there are any issues with the system working properly. Dead or dying trees are replaced as needed
Increase lighting around the park and along the jogging trail	Staff Time/ Existing Budget	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	The park has a substantial amount of lighting. Staff will review to see if lighting is working properly
Install a timer for adjustment of park lights for daylight savings time	Staff Time/ Existing Budget	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Timers are adjusted as needed for daylight savings time. Staff will follow-up to be sure this is being addressed
Add additional street lights (especially in the long blocks)	N/A	Engineering	Standards met; street light petition requires resident initiative

ARMSTRONG PARK – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Park needs more lighting	\$15,000 each	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Park needs more benches	\$5,000 total	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Increase lighting around park and jogging track	\$75,000	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Install neighborhood Sign Toppers	Approx. \$1,650	Residents/ Neighborhood Planner	Completed
Spread the word on the First Time Homebuyer Program	N/A	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Completed
Advise City employees and contractors to exercise caution and care when using sidewalks as driveways in the Parks and/or upgrade any sidewalks not designed to serve as maintenance drives.	N/A	Residents	Completed

ARMSTRONG PARK – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Install screen across drainage holes in Panther Park Shopping Center retaining wall	\$500/ screen	Armstrong Park Neighborhood Association/ Panther Park Shopping Center	No plans to do this
Lower speed limits on neighborhood streets	N/A	Transportation Engineering	Not Recommended: 30 mph is the lowest speed authorized by City Council for residential roads
Make water available for watering trees in the park	N/A	City Council / Parks & Recreation	Not Currently Feasible
Install traffic calming devices on the roads with highest speed and/or volumes	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Did not qualify for participation in the SSP – Reconciled
Install the floppy stick reflectors on Park Blvd east of N Avenue	N/A	Transportation Engineering	Not Feasible

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Plano Park (2003)

PLANO PARK – Ongoing Projects

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Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Participate in Keep Plano Beautiful Beautification Matching grant program to replace dead or dying trees and to maintain the tree canopy	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Encourage reporting of code violations to City departments and strictly enforce City Codes	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards / Police Departments	Ongoing (resident initiative)
Reduce the presence of coyotes in the parks	Staff Time	Residents/ Animal Services	Ongoing
Clear out underbrush from the banks of the stream along the Santa Fe Trail from R Avenue to P Avenue	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks Maintenance	Ongoing
Ensure streets, alleys and sidewalks are continuous, well maintained and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with City of Plano Engineering and Public Works to address these concerns	N/A	Public Works	Ongoing
Improve compliance with bulk trash requirements by posting signs in the neighborhood to remind residents when bulk trash collection day is coming up	N/A	Plano Park Neighborhood Association	Resident Initiative

PLANO PARK – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Consult with the City of Plano Urban Forester to evaluate the condition of trees in the neighborhood and get recommendations for preserving those trees	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed
Have the City of Plano Urban Forester attend a neighborhood meeting to educate residents on tree maintenance and preservation	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed
Distribute educational materials about city services in both English and Spanish	Existing Education Budgets	Neighborhood Services	Completed
Educate residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Neighborhood Services	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Educate homeowners concerning the most common city code violations	Staff Time	Property Standards	Completed
Improve recognition of the neighborhood name and boundaries by installing sign toppers	Sign toppers approx. \$1,675 (Existing Budgets)	Neighborhood Planning	Completed
Celebrate the diversity of the neighborhood and encourage neighbors to get to know one another with an annual block party	N/A	Residents	Completed
Welcome new residents to the neighborhood with a welcome packet informing them about the neighborhood and area services	N/A	Residents	Completed
Protect the stability and residential character of the neighborhood by minimizing the speed and volume of cut through traffic	Staff Time	Residents/ Facilitated through Transportation Engineering	Completed
Ensure that the residents have a safe pedestrian route to the Parker Road DART light rail station	Staff Time	Engineering	Completed

PLANO PARK – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure that streets and sidewalks are well lighted: install additional street lights where necessary	Staff Time/ \$1,715 per light	Residents/ Engineering	Necessary right-of-way could not be obtained for street lights

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Meadows Addition (2003)

MEADOWS ADDITION – Ongoing Projects

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Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Continue to maintain Shoshoni Park	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Continue to mow park and keep area free of debris	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks Maintenance	Ongoing
Assure safe and efficient mobility for cars, trucks, and pedestrians while protecting the stability of the neighborhood	Staff Time	Residents/ Facilitated through Transportation Engineering	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Maintain & preserve the quality of the existing residential properties through the encouragement of rehabilitation and code compliance	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Ensure streets, alleys, and sidewalks are continuous, well maintained, and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with City of Plano	Approximately \$1.2 million (Existing CIP Budgets)	Public Works	Public Works inventories the condition of all streets, sidewalks, alleys, and screening walls on a 3 to 4 year schedule
Create a strategy for preserving neighborhood trees by working with the City of Plano Urban Forester	N/A	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed

MEADOWS ADDITION – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Reduce the number of code violations in the neighborhood by educating residents concerning the most common code violations and advocating strict enforcement of city codes	Staff Time/ Budgeted Cost of Mailers	Residents/ Property Standards / Police Departments	Completed
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Residents / Neighborhood Services	Completed
Ensure that all residents know how to properly utilize city services by distributing educational materials in both English and Spanish	Existing Budgets	Residents/City of Plano	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Improve compliance with city codes by encouraging residents to report violations to city departments	Staff Time	Neighborhood Services	Completed
Improve compliance with bulk trash requirements by posting signs in the neighborhood to remind residents when bulk trash collection day is coming up	Signs (Existing NPP Budget)	Meadows Neighborhood Association	Resident Initiative
Reduce number of stray animals in neighborhood by educating residents on animal control procedures	Staff Time	Residents/ Animal Control	Completed
Preserve neighborhood trees as part of the resources that contribute to the character and beauty of the neighborhood	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Completed
Improve recognition of the neighborhood name and boundaries by installing sign toppers	Sign toppers-approximately \$3,750 from existing Neighborhood Planning Budget	Residents/ Neighborhood Planning	Completed

MEADOWS ADDITION – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Protect the stability and residential character of a neighborhood by minimizing the speed and volume of cut through traffic	Staff Time	Residents/ Facilitated through Transportation Engineering	Residents chose not to pursue at this time
Celebrate the diversity of the neighborhood and encourage neighbors to get to know one another with an annual block party	N/A	Residents	Residents chose not to pursue at this time

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Haggard (2004)

HAGGARD – Ongoing Projects

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Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure that all residents know how to properly utilize city services by distributing educational materials in both English and Spanish	Existing Budgets	Residents / City of Plano	Ongoing
Ensure streets, alleys, and sidewalks are well maintained and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with City of Plano	Staff Time	Public Works	Public Works inventories the condition of all streets, sidewalks, alleys, and screening walls on a 3 to 4 year schedule
Continue to maintain Haggard Park	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Promote feeling of safety for pedestrians while keeping animal population in control	Staff Time	Animal Control	Ongoing
Increase animal control patrols through neighborhood to remove stray cats and dogs, which pose a threat of disease or attack	Staff Time	Animal Control	Ongoing
Continue to mow the park and keep area free of debris	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Celebrate the diversity of the neighborhood and encourage neighbors to get to know one another with block parties	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

HAGGARD – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Reduce the number of code violations in the neighborhood by educating residents concerning the most common code violations and advocating strict enforcement of city codes	Staff Time	Residents / Property Standards	Completed
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Improve compliance with city codes by encouraging residents to report violations to City departments	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Completed
Create a strategy for preserving neighborhood trees by working with City of Plano Urban Forester	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Completed
Improve recognition of the neighborhood name and boundaries by installing sign toppers	Staff Time	Neighborhood Planning	Completed
Reduce number of stray animals in neighborhood by educating residents on animal control procedures	Staff Time	Residents/ Animal Control	Completed a roundup of 50 stray cats and educated residents about dangers of feeding stray cats

HAGGARD – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Protect the stability and residential character of the neighborhood by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets Program to minimize the speed and volume of cut-through traffic	Existing Safe Streets Budget	Transportation Engineering (Safe Streets Program)	Residents chose not to participate at this time

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Ridgewood (2004)

RIDGEWOOD – Ongoing Projects

[Action Plan](#)

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Improve compliance with city codes by encouraging residents to report violations to city departments	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing
Ensure streets, alleys and sidewalks are well maintained and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with the City of Plano	Public Works	No funds budgeted for FY04-05 by Public Works	Ongoing
Celebrate the diversity of the neighborhood and encourage neighbors to get to know one another with block parties	N/A	Residents	Ongoing
Work with Property Standards and Public Works Departments to ensure creeks are monitored and maintained	Staff Time	Public Works	Ongoing
Work with Parks & Recreation to regularly maintain and trim trees and low hanging branches that obstruct vision and impede pedestrian traffic	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Continue to mow park and keep area free of debris	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks Maintenance	Ongoing

RIDGEWOOD – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Completed
Reduce number of stray animals in neighborhood by educating residents on animal control procedures	Staff Time	Residents/ Animal Control	Completed
Reduce the number of code violations in the neighborhood by educating residents concerning the most common code violations and advocating strict enforcement of city codes	Staff Time	Residents / Property Standards	Completed
Reduce the number of code violations in the neighborhood by educating residents concerning the most common code violations and advocating strict enforcement of city codes	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure that all residents know how to properly utilize city services by distributing educational materials in both English and Spanish	Existing Budget	Residents /City of Plano	Completed
Improve recognition of the neighborhood while creating a unified feeling and identity for the neighborhood	Sign Toppers – approx. \$1500	Neighborhood Planning	Completed

RIDGEWOOD – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Protect the stability and residential character of the neighborhood by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets program to minimize the speed and volume of cut-through traffic	Existing Safe Streets Budget	Transportation Engineering (Safe Streets Program)	Residents chose not to pursue at this time

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Park Forest II (2005)

PARK FOREST II – Ongoing Projects

[Action Plan](#)

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Improve compliance with city codes by encouraging residents to report violations to city departments	Staff Time	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Ongoing
Maintain the parks free of trash and the grass mowed at all times	Staff Time	Parks & Recreation	Ongoing
Protect the stability and residential character of the neighborhood by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets Program to minimize the speed and volume of cut-through traffic	Existing Safe Streets Budget	Residents/ Transportation Engineering (Safe Streets)	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Ensure streets, alleys and sidewalks are well maintained and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with City of Plano	Staff Time	Public Works	Public Works inventories the condition of all streets, sidewalks, alleys, and screening walls on a 3 to 4 year schedule
Celebrate the diversity of the neighborhood and encourage neighbors to get to know one another with block parties	N/A	Residents	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Participate in Keep Plano Beautiful Matching Grant Program to replace dead or dying trees	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Resident Initiative
Explore private alternatives to street lights, such as landscape floodlights, motion detectors, ground level lighting or a plan to have alternating homes leave their porch lights on during the night	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

PARK FOREST II – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Reduce the number of code violations in the neighborhood by educating residents concerning the most common code violations and advocating strict enforcement of city codes	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Completed
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Neighborhood Services	Completed
Ensure that all residents know how to properly utilize city services by distributing educational materials in both English and Spanish	Existing Budgets	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Completed
Improve recognition of the neighborhood name and boundaries by installing sign toppers.	\$1,500 (Neighborhood Planning Budget)	Residents/ Neighborhood Planning	Completed

PARK FOREST II – Other Projects – Other – N/A

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Thunderbird (2005)

THUNDERBIRD – Ongoing Projects

[Action Plan](#)

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Ensure sidewalks, streets, and alleys are continuous, well maintained, and unobstructed by surveying existing conditions and working with City of Plano Public Works Department to address these concerns. Investigate the need to extend sidewalks along Premier Drive	Staff Time	Public Works	Ongoing
In cases where lighting is obscured by the tree canopy, work with property owners to get these trees trimmed	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Maintain the existing tree inventory by replacing dead or dying trees	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Be vigilant in the reporting and following up of Property Standards and code violations	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Ongoing (Resident Initiative)
Provide an opportunity for neighbors to get to know one another by organizing annual block parties	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Protect the residential character of the neighborhood from cut-through traffic, disruptive on street parking, and speeding, while maintaining convenient access to and across major arterial streets by working with the City of Plano Safe Streets Program	Staff Time	Transportation Engineering	Resident Initiative
Coordinate a neighborhood tree planting campaign	Staff Time	Residents/ Urban Forester	Resident Initiative
Organize and complete a campaign to encourage residents to install motion detectors and light timers	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Reduce crime and increase the overall awareness of order in the neighborhood by reorganizing the Neighborhood Crime Watch group	N/A	Residents/ Neighborhood Police Officers	Resident Initiative
Create a forum for residents to become familiar with neighborhood activities and interact with each other by developing and maintaining a neighborhood website	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative
Encourage local commercial centers to participate in the "Lock, Take, and Hide" program	\$12/sign	Residents/ Police	Resident Initiative
Encourage motorists to drive safely in alleys by posting speed limit signs in alleys through the City of Plano Public Works Department	\$15/sign	Residents/ Public Works	Feasible – Requires Resident Initiative – Signs are posted to someone's fence

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Improve sense of community involvement by forming a voluntary neighborhood association	N/A	Residents	Resident Initiative

THUNDERBIRD – Completed Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Encourage effective tree planting by educating residents on tree selection, planting, maintenance, and preservation by inviting local landscape experts and arborists to attend a neighborhood meeting and by distributing landscape educational information to all residents	Staff Time	Residents/ Parks & Recreation/ Neighborhood Planner	Completed
Upgrade the sub-standard section of Thunderbird Lane from Cross Bend Road to Cambridge Drive	\$168,000 (2005 Bond election)	Engineering/ Public Works	Completed
Design and install neighborhood sign toppers at all intersections within the Thunderbird neighborhood	Sign Toppers - approx. \$2,500.00 (Existing Budgets)	Residents/ Neighborhood Planning	Completed
Improve neighborhood identity and interconnectedness by researching, drafting, and distributing a historical account of the neighborhood	N/A	Residents	Completed
Improve compliance with property standards regulations by informing residents how to identify and report the Top Ten Code Violations"	Staff Time	Residents/ Property Standards	Completed
Promote homeownership by sending a targeted mailer about the City of Plano First Time Homebuyer's Program to rental properties in the neighborhood	Staff Time	Neighborhood Services	Completed
Increase education efforts from the Solid Waste Division to teach neighbors how to use the Solid Waste services more effectively and thus clean up the neighborhood. Education efforts include distribution of schedules showing regular and special collection dates, educational brochures, and refrigerator magnets that remind residents of collection rules	Staff Time	Residents/ Solid Waste	Completed

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Encourage home maintenance by educating residents about the City of Plano Housing Rehabilitation Program	Staff Time	Residents/ Neighborhood Services	Completed
Reduce number of stray animals in neighborhood by educating residents on current animal control procedures	Staff Time	Animal Control	Completed
Evaluate neighborhood street lights to ensure minimum City street light distance standards are met, and that all street lights function properly	Staff Time/ Approx. \$1000	Engineering	Completed
Encourage prompt faulty streetlights reports by educating residents about all the reporting procedures and options	Staff Time	Residents/ Neighborhood Planner	Completed
Inform the neighborhood of municipal services and procedures by producing and distributing an all-inclusive <i>Neighborhood Resident Guide</i> to current residents and residents moving into the neighborhood. (Resident Guides are contact numbers, general procedures, and descriptions of the neighborhood.)	Printing & postage approx. \$1,650	Residents/ Neighborhood Planner	Completed

THUNDERBIRD – Other Projects

Objective	Cost	Responsibility	Status
Investigate options to mitigate the health hazards associated with water that accumulates and stands for extended periods of time on the private driveway located southeast of the intersection of Renaissance Drive and Premier Drive	Staff Time	Health Department	The Health Department investigated the danger associated with water standing at this location. No threats to health were discovered
Investigate the need to modify the Thunderbird Lane street closures that affect safety	Staff Time	Residents/ Transportation Engineering	Decided not to do at this time - The bulk of the neighborhood appears to continue its support of the current offset of Thunderbird Lane at Rushmore Lane & Grand Teton Drive. Since the idea was voiced a while back, staff has not received a request for participation in the Safe Streets Program. Therefore, no plans are being made to connect the road or modify neighborhood traffic at this time

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Appendix



Neighborhood Planning Program

Over the past forty years, Plano has been home to the fastest growing population in the Metroplex. Careful city planning helped to guide this growth and development, resulting in the City we know today. However, the City of Plano is approaching its growth capacity, and the focus of planning efforts must therefore shift from future growth and development to redevelopment and revitalization.

One key element in developing strategies for redevelopment and revitalization is the [Neighborhood Planning Program](#). Established in 1998, the City of Plano Neighborhood Planning Program has the following goals:

1. Guiding redevelopment and revitalization.
2. Providing opportunities to improve the quality of life.
3. Protecting neighborhood residences and existing businesses from decline.
4. Coordinating services by bringing attention, focus and problem-solving resources to neighborhoods.

To achieve these goals, Neighborhood Planning embraces a strategy of cooperative problem-solving and mutual responsibility. Neighborhood Planning is an opportunity for citizens to shape the type of neighborhood they would like to live in and their overall quality of life. By creating a forum for citizen involvement in addressing the neighborhood's issues through the Neighborhood Planning Program, we enable creative problem solving and a spirit of teamwork between the city and the neighborhood.

Residents participating in the Neighborhood Planning Program use a systematic planning process to develop a Neighborhood Action Plan, which is a set of recommendations that identifies the visions, goals, objectives, and strategies to address neighborhood priorities and guide city service decisions.

Beginning in 1998, the Neighborhood Planning Program established the Full-Scale Plan, which was designed to last over the course of 4-6 months and target older areas of Plano. In 2005, the City of Plano decided to take a more proactive approach to rising community issues by creating the Fast-Track plan. The Fast-Track Plan was created to pre-empt the types of issues the older areas of Plano were beginning to see. Generally, a Fast-Track Plan lasts 4-6 weeks, which allows time for the City to educate and communicate with the residents in the designated area(s). To date, 15 neighborhoods have completed Full-Scale Neighborhood Action Plans, 6 Fast-Track plans have been finalized, and a new Full-Scale plan for the [Cross Creek Neighborhood](#) is underway. *For further details regarding the neighborhood action plans, please reference pages 54 and 55.*

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Two Types of Action Plans

The [Neighborhood Action Plan](#) is the document created by residents to focus attention on areas that need improvement or issues that need to be addressed in a neighborhood. The action plans will act as a guide to address the discovered issues.

There are two different types of action plans: **Full-Scale Plans** and **Fast-Track Plans**. Full-Scale Plans are developed through a set of meetings with residents and other stakeholders over the course of 4-6 months. These plans generally target older areas of Plano that are experiencing a greater number of issues that are age related.

In order to establish an action plan, the Neighborhood Planning Program forms a partnership between the city and area stakeholders. The city respects residents, business owners, and other stakeholders in the neighborhood as experts on their neighborhood. By drawing on the resident's skills, we can help ensure that the neighborhood plan most accurately represents the wants and needs of the neighborhood.

A **Full-Scale Plan** begins with a series of meetings. Staff conducts a "**visioning process**" with the neighborhood to establish how residents envision the future of their neighborhood. Recommendations generally represent the consensus of the stakeholders (residents, business owners, citizens, organizations and institutions, and City departments) who have participated in drafting the plan. The visioning process typically includes the following topics:

1. Land use, zoning, and neighborhood character
2. Transportation and traffic
3. Housing
4. Environment
5. Crime and safety
6. History
7. Quality of life

Through this series of meetings, the neighborhood and their assigned Neighborhood Planner will develop a Neighborhood Action Plan. The time frame for completing each Neighborhood Action Plan varies with the level of neighborhood participation and topics discussed; a typical plan is completed in approximately 4-6 months.

On the other hand, the **Fast-Track Plan**, which was developed in 2005 as an alternative to the Full-Scale Action Plan, is structurally different. The Fast-Track Plan is an option for newer neighborhoods beginning to see some symptoms of aging but not in need of a Full-Scale Plan. Fast-track planning organizes neighborhoods to identify and overcome common neighborhood concerns with a survey and series of meetings.

Common concerns are typically associated with property standards, rental properties, disruptive street parking, stray animals, and traffic safety within the neighborhood. The Fast-Track planning process focuses on educating citizens and collaborating with other organizations. This process generally lasts approximately 4-6 weeks.

The Fast-Track planning process includes meetings to:

1. Assess the neighborhood and conduct surveys to identify concerns;
2. Compile the survey and discuss the results;
3. Introduce city department representatives that will help resolve neighborhood concerns; and
4. Summarize and review concerns and solutions.

The final product is a summary report that provides the neighborhood with demographic data, survey results, city services descriptions, contact information, and reporting procedures.

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