

# **Jackson / Teton County Comprehensive Plan Adoption**

## **Stakeholder Interviews**

### **February 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

#### **Background**

Thank you for participating in the stakeholder interviews. After three years of hard work, we are at the final step of our comprehensive plan. The adoption process by elected officials of the Town of Jackson and Teton County has begun.

The Updated Jackson/Teton County Comprehensive Plan will be the basis for the actions that the Jackson/Teton County community takes over the next 10 to 15 years in order to achieve our Community Vision. The Plan defines the Community Vision; the community's principles, policies, and strategies for achieving the Vision; and the indicators of realization of the Vision. It is not regulatory; the Land Development Regulations are the regulatory portion of the Plan's implementation.

The Plan update process began in fall 2007. Over the past three and one half years numerous community workshops, neighborhood workshops, presentations, open houses and public hearings have formed the basis for preliminary drafts of our plan. Three drafts of the updated Plan have been released, with most recent being the Planning Commission Certified Draft. Volumes of public comment have been submitted. The updated Plan builds upon our 1994 Plan, while reflecting current community values with increased emphasis on sustainability, predictability, accountability, and measurability.

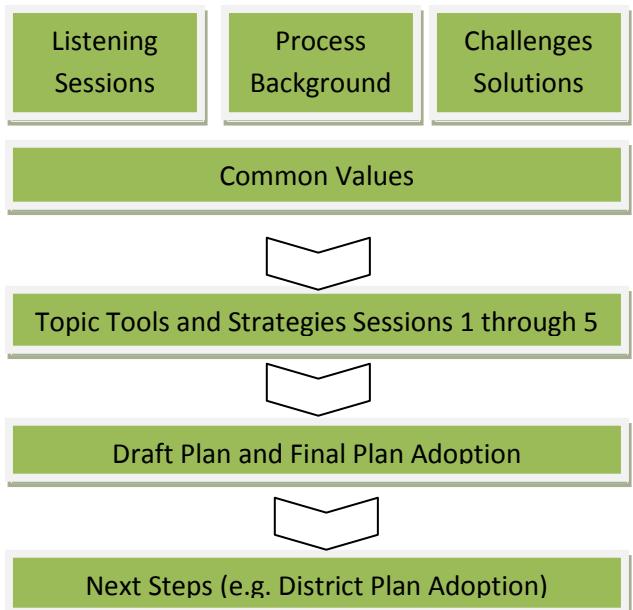
The Town of Jackson Council and Board of Teton County Commissioners have hired Bruce Meighen of AECOM of Fort Collins, CO to facilitate the conclusion of the Plan update. The 6-month elected official review process will begin with these listening sessions, the confirmation of the process and ground rules for review. Expectations for public comment and the adoption of the Future Land Use Plan will be set. Step 2 will be a review of the entire Plan update process and the state of the community. Step 3 will be the establishment of refined plan framework based on Common Values. In Step 4, Topics, Tools and Strategies will be discussed and the draft Plan will take form and be affirmed. In the final (5<sup>th</sup>) step, the Plan will be finalized and adopted by the elected officials.

## Adoption Process Philosophy

We will be approaching the final adoption process with key set of principles:

- County staff + consultants are simply **listening** to elevate the discussion.
- We are committed to a **defined process** with key outcomes.
- We will focus on the **big picture** and core concepts to achieve our desired future, not on specific wording.
- The Plan should represent our **common values**, even if we do not agree on every detail.
- We are focused on **creative solutions** and big ideas.
- There are '**givens**' that we must work within, including existing entitlements.
- This process is based on **respect** for each other, private property, development rights, present + future neighbors and the community as a whole.

## 6 Month Adoption Process



## **Stakeholder Interview Questionnaire**

1. What are the three objectives you would like to accomplish from the Comprehensive Plan update?
2. Given that new development will occur in the Town and County based on existing zoning, what are some key opportunities we can achieve with new growth?
3. What must happen for this development to occur in the right way?
4. What is the desired character or vision you would like the Plan to achieve?
5. Provide several realistic tools and recommendations that help would preserve the character or vision you desire?
6. A successful Plan is one that :