



FERNANDINA BEACH

Vision 2045 Plan

PROJECT TEAM



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Special acknowledgment to the residents of Fernandina Beach.

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Animal Services
Building
City Attorney
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Finance
Fire & Police
Golf Course
Human Resources
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Maintenance
Marina
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Sanitation & Recycling
Stormwater
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WestRock

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Builder's Association of NE Florida

Council on Aging

Fernandina Beach High School Foundation

Fernandina Beach Main Street

Historically Black Church Pastors

Racial Equality Coalition of Fernandina Beach

VISION STATEMENT

"The City of Fernandina Beach is a historic barrier island community that maintains its small-town quality of life by protecting its rich array of natural, cultural, and historic resources. Serving as an environmental steward, the City will maintain a strong and resilient economy through a commitment to sustainable development practices."

Adopted by Resolution 2022-37 on February 15, 2022

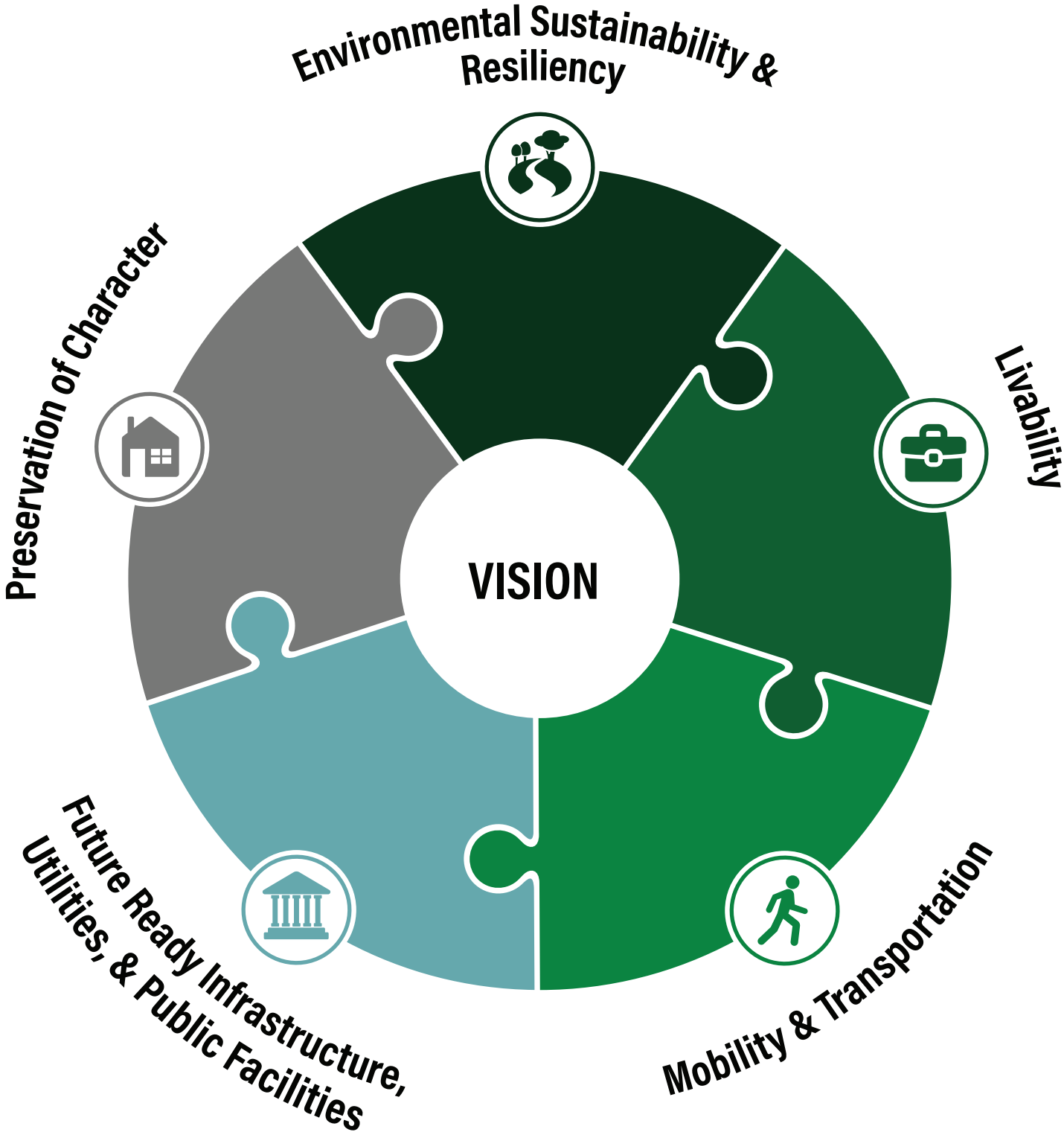


MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Fernandina Beach will implement changes and updates to the City's Comprehensive Plan and Land Development code, establish key partnerships, expand public outreach, and support capital investment that will accomplish the City's Vision Statement.

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THE 5 KEY THEMES



Theme	Goal
Environmental Sustainability & Resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Protect and increase the City's tree canopy ▪ Increase acreage of land dedicated to recreation and conservation ▪ Remove all septic tanks in the City ▪ Further improve protection of wetlands and coastal areas ▪ Increase the City's resiliency to climate change and sea-level rise
Preservation of Character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure preservation and upkeep of historic assets ▪ Preserve the existing building stock ▪ Ensure new buildings are in line with community character ▪ Reinforce community's social connections and small town charm
Livability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Better balance tourism with the needs of residents ▪ Improve living conditions for seniors ▪ Expand affordable housing opportunities ▪ Ensure opportunities for young professionals and families ▪ Maintain socio-economic diversity
Future Ready Infrastructure, Utilities, and Public Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Establish a resilient Smart Grid that is optimized against future storms, supplied by renewable energy sources, supports electric vehicles (EVs), and supported by expanded and modernized broadband infrastructure ▪ Ensure all City owned and/or operated public facilities will incorporate sustainable future proofing (SFP) design principles
Mobility & Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete sidewalk and bike networks ▪ Improve accessibility for senior and disabled citizens ▪ Establish transit options around the island ▪ Establish transit connections to off-island populations and job markets