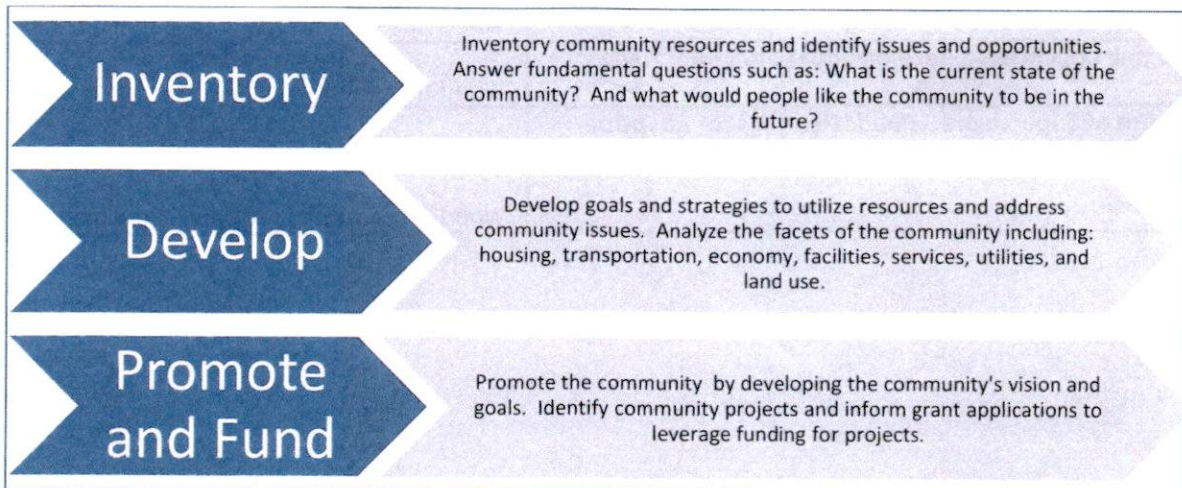


## Introduction

### *Comprehensive Plan Purpose*

The Woodbury County Comprehensive Plan 2040 is intended to serve as an advisory document that outlines the county's vision. The purpose of this comprehensive plan is to provide a current inventory of community services and resources and a thoughtful statement of the community's vision and goals for the future. This comprehensive plan includes analysis of the following planning topics: Housing, Economic Development, Transportation, Public Infrastructure and Utilities, Community Facilities and Services, Land Use and Natural Resources, and Disaster Response, Recovery and Resiliency.

The plan can inform grant applications and leverage funding for community projects. Funding agencies look to the plan to learn about the community resources and needs. County Staff can utilize the comprehensive plan as a guide in their work on behalf of the community. The comprehensive plan document provides legal justification for community decisions and ensures that local policies are in step with those of state, regional, and federal planning best practices. The plan process incorporated public participation and facilitated intergovernmental collaboration through review and consideration of neighboring jurisdictions policy and plans.



| <b>Meeting or Task</b>   | <b>Date</b>  |
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| <b>Introduction Meeting – Steering Committee</b><br>Introduction, Background, SWOT, Schedule | <b>February 11, 2021</b><br>SIMPCO – Virtual Format  |
| <b>Steering Committee Meeting #2</b><br>SWOT, Data Analysis and County Trends                | <b>April 15, 2021</b><br>SIMPCO - In-person/Virtual Hybrid Format  |
| <b>Public Input Survey</b>   | <b>July 5-August 31, 2021</b><br>Online and Paper Survey   |
| <b>Steering Committee Meeting #3</b>   | <b>October 21, 2021</b><br>SIMPCO - In-person/Virtual Hybrid Format  |
| <b>Public Open Houses (4)</b>  | <b>September, 2022</b><br>Hornick, Merville, Sergeant Bluff, Anthon  |
| <b>Steering Committee Meeting #4</b>   | <b>October 26, 2022</b><br>SIMPCO - In-person/Virtual Hybrid Format  |
| <b>Steering Committee Meeting #5</b>   | <b>November 30, 2022</b><br>SIMPCO - In-person/Virtual Hybrid Format   |
| <b>Steering Committee Meeting #6</b>   | <b>February 13, 2023</b><br>SIMPCO - In-person/Virtual Hybrid Format   |
| <b>Final Public Open House</b>   | <b>April 26, 2023</b><br>Woodbury County Courthouse in Sioux City  |
| <b>Zoning Commission Presentation</b>  | <b>January 22, 2024</b><br>Woodbury County Courthouse in Sioux City  |
| <b>Zoning Commission Recommendation for Approval</b>   | <b>March 25, 2024</b><br>Woodbury County Courthouse in Sioux City  |
| <b>Board of Supervisors 3 Public Hearings for Adoption</b>                                   | <b>April 23, 2024</b><br><b>April 30, 2024</b><br><b>May 7, 2024</b><br>Woodbury County Courthouse in Sioux City |