

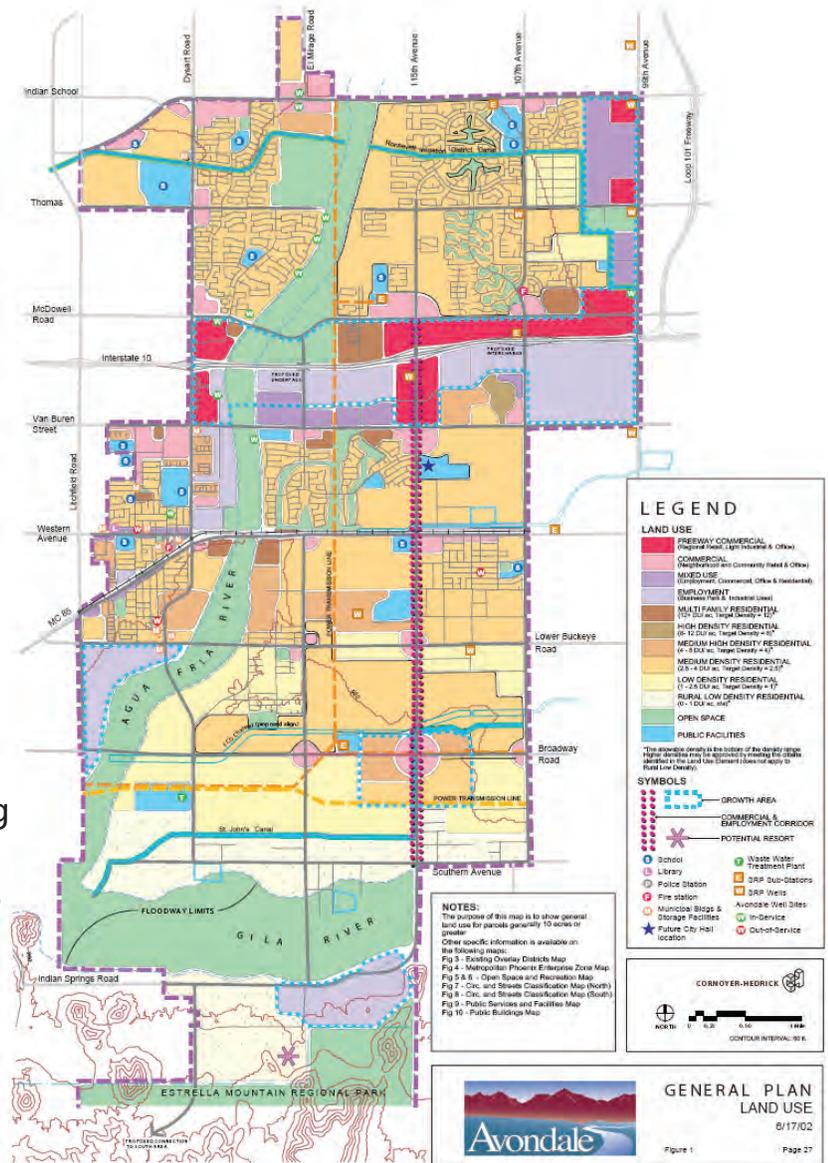
AVONDALE NOW

GENERAL PLAN 2030

General Plan 2030, the City's General Plan update initiative, is well on its way as we near towards the end of the 2009 calendar year. The comprehensive plan is an update of the 2002 General Plan and serves as the City's long-term vision and policy document for guiding development throughout Avondale.

While many of the goals, objectives, and policies remain valid, community changes since 2002 necessitate this update. General Plan 2030 will plan for community growth through 2030.

Over the next two years, the Avondale Planning Division in concert with the General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) made up of Avondale citizens, business owners, Planning Commissioners, City Council members, and other private and public agencies will continue to study and provide recommendations for General Plan 2030. The recommendations made today and over the next two years will assist in developing Avondale for the next ten years.



Our mission:

Our mission is to enhance the quality of life for present and future generations by providing progressive, professional services and leadership that reflects the needs of all those who live, work, and play in the City of Avondale. Building on the past and looking to the future.



At this time, the GPAC committee is studying the land use element and identifying important goals and objectives from which land use decisions will be made. Each goal and objective will be reviewed carefully to ensure they are in line with the City Council's long term vision for the City.

Most recently the committee identified a vision statement and the guiding principles from which the General Plan will be developed. During the year and each element including its goals and objectives, will be studied and a final updated general plan recommendation will be made for a public vote in 2011.



In addition, new elements will be introduced such as the Neighborhood Preservation Element as mandated by the state. Also, the existing land use categories will be analyzed to ensure the City can guide future development, make land use decisions that maintain an attractive, livable, and economically sustainable City, and provide the necessary services to its citizens.

Throughout the planning process, Avondale citizens and business owners will be provided the opportunity to discuss issues facing Avondale with planning staff and council members, and evaluate alternative ways to address changes throughout the City. The City is currently soliciting input through an on-line survey that can be taken at www.avondale.org/generalplan. In addition, information and the survey can be found at the Sam Garcia Old Town Library and the Avondale Civic Library from now until mid March. Public input will be sought through public hearings and community meetings throughout the process.

As the City of Avondale moves forward with the General Plan update, one standard will remain the same, providing its citizens with a rewarding quality of life. Avondale is committed to building and maintaining a sustainable community.