

“SMART GROWTH” Comprehensive Planning Program

Town of Oshkosh

In order to prepare to meet the challenges and opportunities over the next 20 years, the Town of Oshkosh has hired OMNNI Associates to develop a Comprehensive Plan for the Town. Once adopted, the plan will help Town leaders make important decisions regarding growth and development issues. Below is a brief summary of what the plan will include and the planning process that will be used.

What will be in the Plan?

The Town of Oshkosh Comprehensive Plan will provide a 20-year vision for the Town and recommend those actions that will be needed to achieve it. A primary focus of the planning effort will look at ways to coordinate with the City of Oshkosh to better anticipate the City’s growth and development and its impact on the Town of Oshkosh.

The plan will also include detailed information on the Town’s:

- *physical features*
- *current and projected land use*
- *housing characteristics*
- *transportation*
- *zoning*
- *current and projected population*
- *economic activity*
- *utilities*
- *implementation measures*

How long will it take to develop the Plan?

The planning program will be completed over a 21-month period. The Comprehensive Plan will be completed in early 2003.

What’s been done so far?

Since the spring of 2000 the Town has been working on the “plan to plan.” This process began with the development, distribution and analysis of the community survey. In December 2000, the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee was formed and began to

meet monthly to complete some preliminary issues identification and education related to the nine (9) required plan elements. ([Click here](#) for more information on the Smart Growth Law and the 9 Required Elements). Also during this “plan to plan” period, the Town of Oshkosh hired OMNNI Associates to apply for a Comprehensive Planning Grant on behalf of the Town of Oshkosh. The application was a success!

How can the public get involved?

The key to the success of the plan will be the support of local residents. Throughout the planning program, OMNNI will provide residents with meaningful information and encourage residents to be actively involved in the planning process. For more information on opportunities for public involvement [click here](#).

Who’s working on the plan?

The Town of Oshkosh Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee was established to work along with OMNNI Associates to develop a Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Oshkosh. The Committee represents a diverse group of residents from all areas of the Town. The Committee Members are:

Chairperson: John Gronlund

Shirley Beck	Fred Boss
Tom Donovan	Jim Erdman
Maureen Fitzgerald	Michelle Fogarty
Kevin Fogarty	Gerald Frey
Maribeth Gabert	Tom Gabert
Carla Hansen	Sharon Karow
John Kossel	Ed Mendels
Paul Redeman	Vicky Rowe
Shelly Schaetz	Ralph Schaetz
Bob Schmiedel	John Thiel
Ken Walter	

Questions?

If you have questions about the planning process, please continue to look for updates on this web page, contact a Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee Member, or Bill Elman or Amy Emery of OMNNI Associates at 1-800-571-6677.

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