



## GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

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### What is the purpose of the General Plan?

The General Plan is a long-term guide that helps the community make decisions about physical, economic, and social development conditions over the next 10-20 years. The plan includes a vision statement, maps, goals, objectives, and general policies. The plan addresses issues such as land use, growth, transportation, housing, open space, and the environment.

### Why update the General Plan now?

State law in Arizona requires all cities and towns to have a "comprehensive, long-range general plan for the development of the municipality." These plans must be updated and approved by voters every 10 years. The City of Maricopa's current *Planning Maricopa* General Plan was last ratified by voters in 2016.

### What topics does the General Plan address?

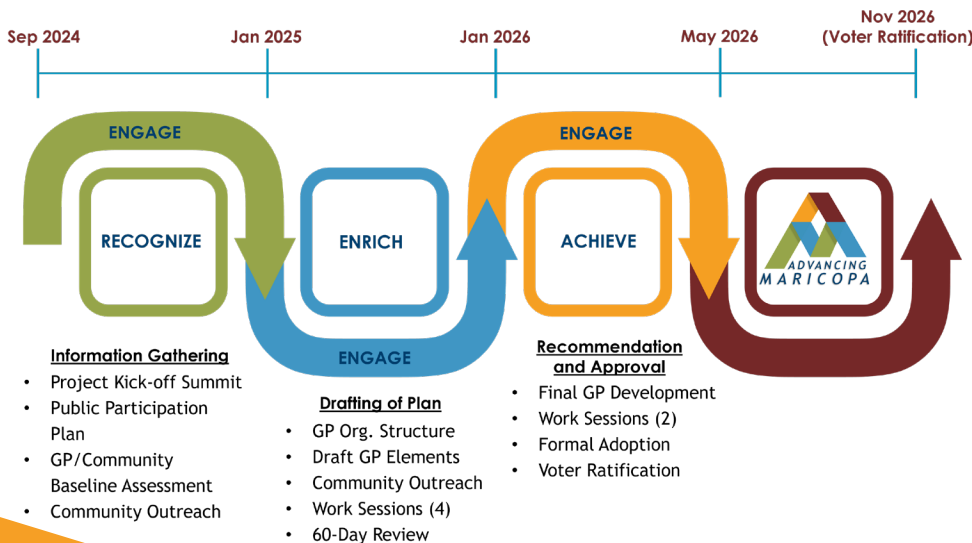
State Law requires certain topics, or elements, be addressed based on the population of the community. The following list identifies elements that are required for the City of Maricopa:

- Land Use
- Circulation & Bicycling
- Growth Areas
- Open Space & Recreation
- Revitalization & Redevelopment
- Neighborhood Preservation
- Environmental Planning
- Water Resources
- Conservation
- Energy
- Public Services & Facilities
- Public Buildings
- Housing
- Safety
- Cost of Development

The General Plan may additionally include elective elements that cover topics like:

- Economic Development
- Public Art

### What is the schedule for the General Plan Update?



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