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#### Planning for a Smart World

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### What is a Smart City?

Utilization of Technology to:

- Enhance Quality
- · Enhance Performance
- · Enhance Connections
- Reduce Costs
- Reduce Resource Consumption
- Improve Contact between Citizens and Government





#### Why do we need Smart Cities?

- Supply growing urban populations with basic resources:
  - Safe Food
  - Clean Water
  - Sufficient Energy
  - Efficient Travel / Mobility
  - Safety and Security
  - Quality of Life

while also ensuring overall **economic**, **social and environmental** <u>sustainability</u>.



#### Benefits of a Smart City?

- Holistic Vision of the City Allows services to be deployed based on priorities
- · Reduces public spending
- Increases efficiency and quality of services
- · Provides decision-making support
- · Promotes innovation
- · Provides information in real time
- · Improves connections between
  - Citizens to Government
  - Government to Government and Agencies
  - Citizens to Citizens

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#### Challenges

- Cooperation and Collaboration of Many Organizations
  - Innovative approaches and partnerships will be required
- · Growth and Density Challenges
  - Housing, Infrastructure, Mobility, etc.
- Funding
  - Expense of Smart City projects

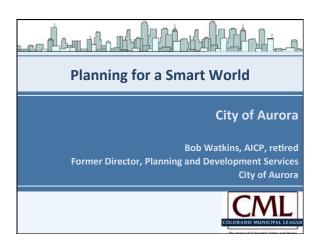
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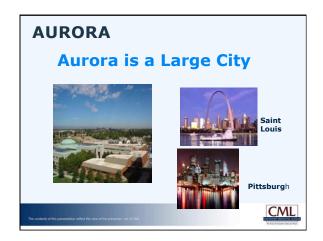


#### **Case Studies**

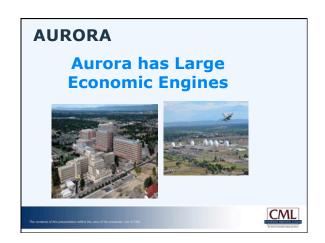
- 4 Examples from the Front Range
  - Aurora
  - Longmont
  - Westminster
  - Colorado Center for Sustainable Urbanism
- Traditional and Innovative Approaches to address Smart City challenges

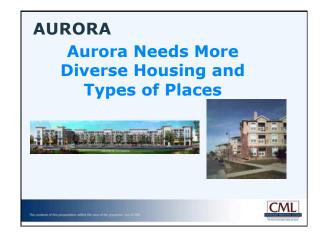


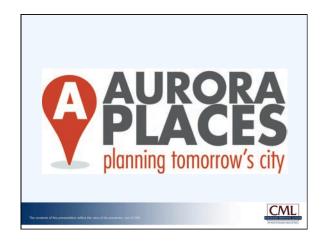


















#### Core Quality of Life Components

- 1. Housing
- 2. Sustainable Economy
- 3. Environmental Sustainability
- 4. Diversity & Equity
- 5. Community Health
- 6. Access & Mobility
- 7. Sense of Place/Image/Identity

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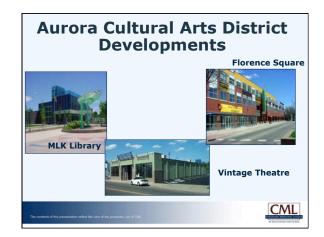
- 1. Defining City Placetypes
- 2. Toolbox of Quality of Life Components
- 3. Applying Best Practices to Placetypes

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## Placetypes Urban Center





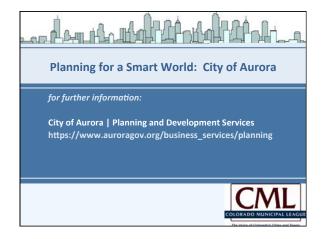


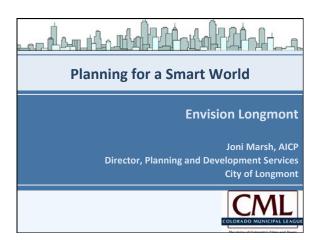


# Iliff Station Area Urban Renewal Area City constructed 600 space parking garage Housing development for 390 units Actively marketing for development of north parcel next to station. Dense TOD with 60 DUs per acre









#### **Envision Longmont**

- · Determine where & how we should grow
- · Address needs of our changing population
- Promote continued growth & diversification of our economy
- · Become more resilient as a community
- Protect & enhance the quality of life of existing & future residents



#### **Quick Facts**

- 94,900 Residents
- 116,076 2035 population forecast
- 24,000+ New residents by 2035
- 37.5 years Median age
- 11% (22% by 2025) Population age 65+
- 29% Population identified as Hispanic/ Latino

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#### **Technology**

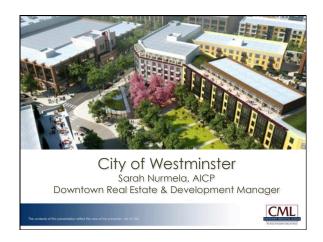
- Envision engagement
- Automation in services
- · On-line submittals, Electronic Plan review
- Looking to provide on-line access 24/7
- · Efficiency for applicants & staff
- Investment that requires resources

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## City Vision Westminster is the next Urban Center of the Colorado Front Range. It is a vibrant inclusive, creative, and well-connected City. People choose Westminster because it is a dynamic community with distinct neighborhoods and a resilient local economy that includes: a spectrum of jobs; diverse, integrated housing; and shopping, cultural, entertainment, and restaurant options. It embraces the outdoors and is one of the most sustainable cities in America.

#### **Westminster Snapshot**

- · 34 square miles
- <7% vacant developable land</li>
- Current Population: 113,875
  - In 20 yrs >> 130,000+
  - +3,500 in next 2 yrs
- Jobs: 45,700
  - Last year, + 5,000 jobs (12%)
  - Denver growing at 2.67%
- · Demographic characteristics
  - Young, families w/children
  - > 25% Latino and Asian, growing

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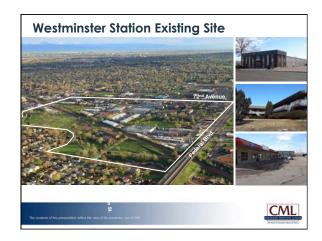


#### **Westminster Progress in 2017**

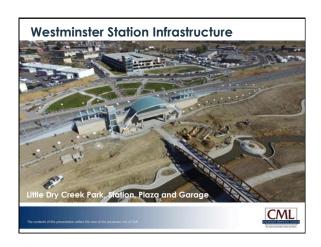
- Resilient, sustainable and inclusive community
- Affordable Housing Plan
- Joined Compact of Colorado Communities
- Created Inclusivity Board, Award for Cultural Diversity from National League of Cities
- Founding member of Colorado Smart Cities Alliance
- · Zagster, EV Stations

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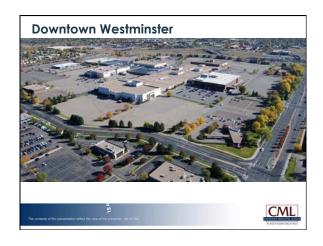


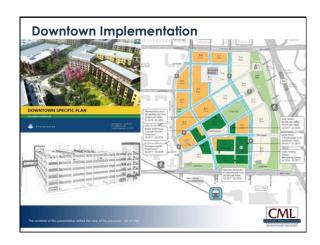








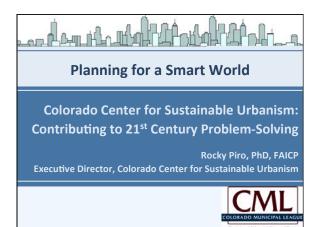












## 21st Century Problem Solving TODAY'S PRESENTATION COLORADO CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE URBANISM OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS UNDERWAY HEALTH IN DESIGN, PLANNING & DECISION-MAKING EMERGING TRENDS IN REGIONAL PLANNING - OVERVIEW

### collaborative for addressing issues related to urban planning, land use & sustainability of cities thub of academic & applied research projects source of technical assistance & services to professionals & decision makers repository & communicator of information & best practices related to planning & sustainability convener & facilitator on key planning issues

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#### What is Sustainable Urbanism?



In an urban context, sustainability means making decisions about development, the economy, and transportation in a manner that simultaneously advances the well-being of people AND creates economic vitality AND is beneficial to the environment.

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#### **Projects and Initiatives**

- **⊕** HAZARD MITIGATION AND RESILIENCY GUIDEBOOK | COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS
- SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODE
- CREATING HEALTHY PLACES THROUGH TRANSFORMATIONAL EDUCATION AND DESIGN | COLORADO HEALTH FOUNDATION
- PLAN4HEALTH COLORADO AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION



- **⊕** WEST DENVER RENAISSANCE COLLABORATIVE | DENVER HOUSING AUTHORITY | CITYCRAFT
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 Brief Overview of CCSU Projects Underway				
<ul> <li>❖ SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODE</li> <li>❖ SUSTAINABILITY IN PRACTICE SURVEY</li> <li>❖ Creating Healthy Places through Transformational Education &amp; Design</li> <li>❖ PLAN4HEALTH COLORADO</li> </ul>				
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#### **Sustainable Community Development Code**

#### A New Beginning for the Code!

- \* CCSU worked with Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute to migrate Code to CU-Denver website in 2016
- Partnership: CCSU & Drake University Law School = wide collaboration among faculty, students, practitioners





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#### What's in the Code?

#### 9 Chapters | 23 Category Groupings

- Environmental Health & Natural Resources
- ❖ Natural Hazards
- Land Use & Community Character
- **❖** Mobility & Transportation
- Community
- Healthy Neighborhoods, Housing, Food Security
- Energy
- Livability

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#### What's in the Code?

#### 23 Category Groupings

- Natural Resources & Resource Conservation
- Steep Slopes
- ❖ Coastal
- Wildfires (Wildland-Urban Interface)
- Climate Change
- **❖** Noise
- Lighting
- ❖ Visual Elements

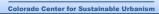


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#### What's in the Code?

#### 23 Category Groupings (continued)

- Transit-Oriented Development
- ❖ Urban Form & Density
- ❖ Historic Preservation
- ❖ Community Health & Safety
- \* Food Production & Security
- Housing Diversity & Accessibility
- **❖** Affordable Housing
- Community Development

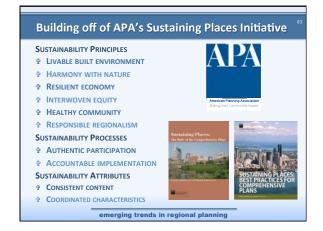




## What's in Store for the Code Project? Next Steps Continue to update & refine existing information ... Explore new categories ... Reach out to new contributors ... Work with student teams at both universities ... Update the web format ...

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# Sustainability in Practice Survey INITIAL PARTNERS ADAMS COUNTY OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION COLORADO CHAPTER — SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE COLORADO CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE URBANISM FIRST PHASE (SUMMER 2017) SURVEY METRO DENVER COMMUNITIES SUBSEQUENT PHASES SURVEY FRONT RANGE COMMUNITIES SURVEY ALL CITIES & COUNTIES IN COLORADO COLORADO CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE URBANISM

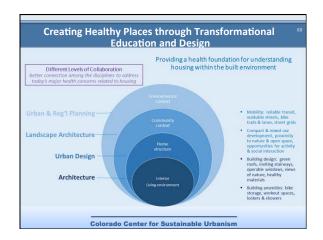


# What the Survey Project Will Contribute BASELINE FOR UNDERSTANDING WHO'S DOING WHAT WITH REGARD TO SUSTAINABILITY RESOURCES FOR INFORMATION-SHARING AMONG JURISDICTIONS (e.g., toolkit of practices) FOUNDATION FOR REGULAR REPORTING ON THE "STATE OF SUSTAINABILITY" emerging trends in regional planning





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1	Human Well-	Α	Health in All Policies		-
	Being	В	Disease Prevention		
		C	Put People First		
		Đ	Address emotional and mental health and well-being		
		E	Make Healthy Choices Easy		
		F	Safety		
П	Harmony	A	Protect and Restore Natural Systems - Air		
	with Nature	В	Protect, Conserve, and Restore Natural Systems - Land		
		C	Protect, Conserve, and Restore Natural Systems – Water		
		D	Protect and Restore Health Conditions -Noise		
		E	Protect flora and fauna		
18	Economic	Α	Recognize economic value in terms of human capital		
	Resiliency	В	Promote Healthy Access to Food		
		C	Ensure Equitable Access		
IV	Healthy	Α	Building & Home Siting & Orientation		
	Homes &	В	Building & Home   Healthy Materials		
	Buildings	C	Housing for All   home types		
		D	Universal Housing Design		
٧	Healthy	A	Mix It Up		
	Community	В	Embrace Unique Character		
		C	Energize Shared Spaces		
		D	Empower Champions for Health		
		E	Resiliency		

















# trend 3: inclusive engagement & expanded partnerships Collaboration | coalitions and partnerships Performance-focused | iterative planning from local-regional to regional-state interests (or even regional-national)

#### trend 4: new approaches for implementation

- Plan regionally act locally
- New partners in implementation including universities, foundations, special committees
- ❖ Performance-based planning requirements



emerging trends in regional planning

#### trend 5: forecasting and demographic changes

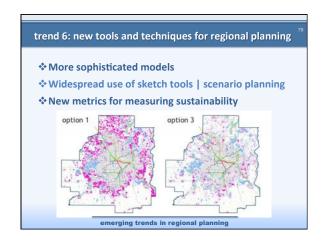
### Demographic changes and changing regions

The "Four S's" (M. Hinshaw)

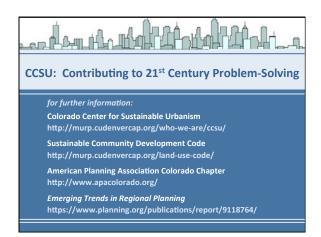
- ❖ seniors
- single person households
- ❖ start-ups
- \* single-parent families

Also, immigration and further diversification of regions

emerging trends in regional planning







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