



## ***Chapter III: Achieving the Vision***

Implementation is the process of putting the comprehensive plan into action. Implementation is not the culmination of the planning process; rather it is part of the continual planning cycle of input, analysis, evaluation, plan development, and action. The comprehensive plan is a long-range plan; therefore implementation is incremental and cumulative. Implementation occasionally involves a large-scale project, however more frequently it involves small projects and the day-to-day decision making of stakeholders.

Putting the plan into action occurs through private and public decisions, investments, and improvements. Partnerships that can leverage resources, organize citizens, and create a positive environment for change are many times created to serve as community catalysts to accomplish recommendations in a comprehensive plan.

The many partners involved in all aspects of plan implementation, the tools available to implement the plan, and specific strategies matching the strategy with a primary implementation partner and implementation tools are provided in this chapter of the comprehensive plan.

**IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX**

The decisions that put the plan into action come from a variety of sources – both public and private – and from a variety of perspectives – regulatory, fiscal, and strategic. The following strategies are intended to guide the City’s implementation of the 2005 Sioux City Comprehensive Plan in pursuit of the vision.

The strategies detailed in this section are the direct result of the goals and objectives identified previously in this plan. As such, they are organized into the six major goal categories of the plan: **Economic Development, Transportation, Downtown Vitality, Infrastructure and Facilities, People, and Development**. Specific strategies are provided for each category within a responsibility and phasing plan. There are three suggested phases: Short Term (0-5 years), Medium Term (5-10 years) and Long Term (10+ years). For those strategies that should become everyday policies or practices of the City and others, an “on-going” category has been established. The primary responsibility for each particular strategy is indicated by the following code:

- (SC) Sioux City Staff
- (HSO) Human Service Organization or other organization that has a primary mission of helping people
- (E/AO) Elected and appointed officials in Sioux City including the City Council and Planning & Zoning Commission
- (C/N) Citizens, citizen task forces, and/or neighborhoods in Sioux City and the Siouxland Region
- (D/LO) Developers and land owners in Sioux City
- (B/I) Businesses, industries, and business and industry organizations
- (OGA) Other government entities and agencies such as municipalities, state or federal government, sewer and water districts, fire districts, and school districts.

The organization of the strategies into implementation time frames suggests that some strategies are more important than others. This is an intended consequence of the matrix in that Sioux City needs to prioritize future actions in a strategic manner. To adequately address those priorities, certain strategies and policies need to be implemented immediately.

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