

# Phase 2. Visioning and Preliminary Opportunities

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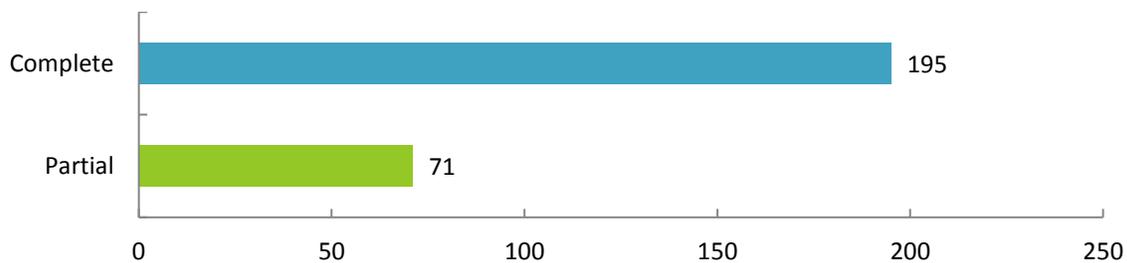
## Introduction:

Phase 2 of the Comprehensive Plan focused on the development and revisions to the Plan’s vision statements. The Phase 2 outreach involved attendance at the Holiday Tree Lighting on December 7, 2018 and an online survey, that asked respondents their general support for the vision statements; and opportunities to implement the vision.

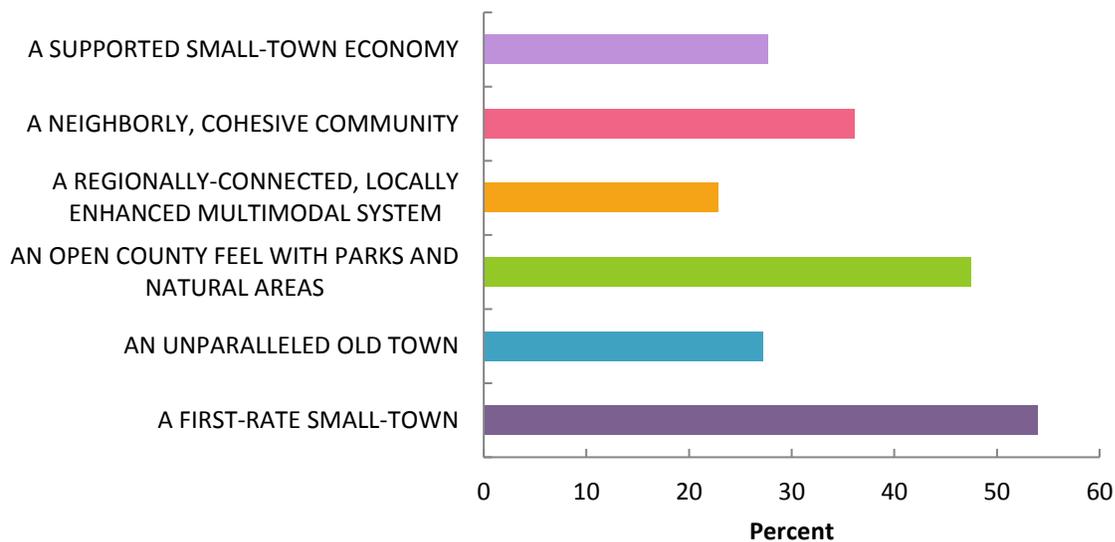
The Comprehensive Plan vision statements were revised based on Steering Committee and Town staff input. The revised vision statements as presented for Phase 2 are listed below along with the opportunities for that vision statement.

## Phase 2 Results:

Responses collected between December 6, 2018 and January 14, 2019:



Which of the following Vision Themes best represent Timnath's future?  
(Participants were able to select up to three options)



**A First-Rate Small-Town** | A historic town between the mountains and the plains with an exceptional quality of life, open spaces, small-town character, and a vibrant sense of community.

Opportunities:

- Enhance and improve gateways
- Increase housing diversity
- Evaluate growth practices
- Add community events (like the Christmas light parade, annual firework show & Town BBQ) and better venues for events/concerts
- Have good community separators
- New residential architecture should be complementary to and comparable with the existing town structures and homes with regard to scale, massing, articulation, and embellishment
- Smart growth
- Allow for housing with suitable yards
- Make Downtown pedestrian-friendly
- Implement growth smartly with a country feel and open spaces
- Focus on medium- and low-density housing at varying price points
- Maintain open space and undeveloped land, rural setting
- Promote Timnath as a community unlike no other on the Front Range - progressive, yet built on a foundation of small community values
- Maximize beautiful natural space
- Discourage standard suburban chain architecture and site design, in favor of more attractive and unique design
- Specific pedestrian-scale design standards for streetscapes and facades should be incorporated into the Development Standards (especially for Downtown Core)
- Preserve the history of old town and stress its historic contributions to the culture of the area in terms of farming, education, family life, patriotism, social and religious activities

Other:

- Keep permit fees/ development costs reasonable and in-line or lower with other communities
- Incentives, code that encourages responsible growth, citizen action committees, successful ballot measures for funding
- No apartments, limited high density, no affordable housing
- No marijuana shops
- Prefer fiscal reasonability

**An Unparalleled Old Town** | A vibrant, small-town center that cultivates local historic pride, social connections, and economic vitality.

Opportunities:

- Revitalize downtown
- Link Old Town by a green belt/trail system to all neighborhoods
- Pedestrian-only/ bicycle only access/ streets in select areas
- Preserve historic buildings
- Add festival/events space
- Encourage new, unique restaurants/businesses (e.g. financial, tax incentives)
- Continual encouragement of small, local business in Old Town
- Support local artists
- Upgrade the post office
- Annex land on the north side of Old Town
- Connect trail system to Fort Collins
- Increase parking; locate parking at key locations outside of Main Street to limit cars
- Complete recreation center, community park
- Build new buildings that are compatible with existing buildings (e.g. Old Town, Fort Collins or Edwards, CO)
- Encourage events and live entertainment.
- Places for activities: skate parks, ice/roller rink, trampoline park
- Accessible mixed-density residential surrounding Old Town
- Convenient live/work/play opportunities
- Implement bypass
- Work to get reasonable cell coverage with major providers

**An Open Country Feel with Parks and Natural Areas |** An expansive and accessible system of parks, open space, and greenway corridors that serve as the overall foundation and framework for development within the Town.

Opportunities:

- Build additional parks, equal distribution throughout Town
- Enhance and utilize Timnath Reservoir (swim beach, trail system, paddle board access, BBQ areas, playgrounds)
- Add more parks, dog Park(s), bike parks, lakes, walking trails, community center, pickleball courts
- Strong, ample pedestrian/bicycle connections throughout Town
  - Connect the trail system under Harmony Road, and under I-25
  - Utilize the River corridor
- Integrate nature play and agricultural links in parks
- Enhance community separators
- Improve water sustainability/options
- Add regional/community park
- Protect the Poudre River area
- Connect the entire community with sidewalks and bike trails /paths
- Use the riverfront as an opportunity for a pedestrian corridor from north to south through the town
- A park in the northern area of Timnath
- Wildwing Park needs permanent restrooms and better parking
- Finish connecting the Poudre Trail system
- Move the sculptures to parks/along existing trails
- Save water, clean waterways
- More trees
- Corridor for wildlife integration with trails.
- Encourage agriculture which happens to be a key part of Timnath's identity
- Protect natural/sensitive habitat, ecosystems, wildlife and agriculture
- Preserve sensitive habitat and natural areas such as the Poudre River corridor and the land around Timnath Reservoir (especially the north end which is an important waterfowl nesting/breeding area)
- Develop Agricultural Districts in which various incentives are offered to agricultural landowners in return for an agreement to withhold land from development for a specific period of time, especially within the community separators
- Make provisions for park dedication and development in association with new development areas in the Subdivision and Development Code
- Team up the Overland Bike club and create a comprehensive bike park
- Connect trails to Windsor Lake
- Establish trail connections between Harmony Ranch and Timnath Ranch to old town Timnath
- Build a recreation center
- Ensure open space initiatives maintain proper buffers to retail areas and oil and gas resource developments
- Develop multi season day/night playing fields to support youth sports
- Fund supervised after school and summer activities for kids, both structured and "free play" in a safe outdoor environment

**A Regionally-Connected, Locally Enhanced Multimodal System** | A regionally-linked transportation network with enhanced internal connectivity to quality of life amenities via local multimodal streets and off-street trail systems.

Opportunities:

- Implement the bypass to Main Street
- Improve train crossings
- Implement public transportation (i.e. buses)
- Widen Harmony through cooperative funding agreements (i.e. Severance)
- Extend Buss Grove Road across I-25
- Move the increasing car traffic to a parkway that would carry through traffic around residences
- Build infrastructure ahead of the growth--so when the growth happens quickly the infrastructure is already in place
- Enforce traffic
- Upsize regional arterials to keep local network more rural in nature/ smaller cross sections
- Every house has a safe route to school
- Build a separated trail system with underpasses
- Recruit bus and other transport for seniors
- Upsize regional arterials (Mulberry, Prospect, Harmony, Latham)
- Ensure that Harmony Road does not serve as barrier between Timnath Ranch to south and Old Town, Reservoir, etc. to north
- Train from Denver up to northern Colorado
- Use the riverfront as an opportunity to establish safe, separate, pedestrian/bicycle pathways through town from north and south.
- Build more trails within city limits
- Connect bike trail to wider Poudre trail system
- Work with Larimer County & CDOT to get underpass at I-25 approved so residents can ride into Fort Collins and the Bustang stop
- Improve Prospect Road east of I-25 as schools are built and I-25 interchange is rebuilt
- Keep, and actively enforce, the 45mph speed limit
- Use down-facing street lights to keep light pollution to minimum
- Coordinate with CDOT to install stop light at Main Street and Mulberry Street (Highway 14)
- Need a ballot measure that is direct, transparent and that citizens can support to provide the funding for these projects
- Work with nearby municipalities to improve infrastructure
- Look for government grants
- Harmony light rail
- Better connect to Fort Collins bus system on Harmony and other public transit
- Connect Folsom Parkway in Timnath Ranch with Latham Pkwy
- Connect Three Bell Parkway to County Road 32E
- Improving County Road 5 access from the north: Bikeability with trails that connect the new school at Prospect and CR5, Serratoga falls; Kitchell Way and other neighborhoods to the north of Timnath
- Don't landscape medians
- Utilize canal and railroad corridors for trail networks
- Connect River Pass to Kechter with a bridge to alleviate a lot of local traffic on Harmony

**A Neighborly, Cohesive Community** | A family-friendly and neighborly community offering a leading school system and a thoughtful range of high-quality housing options meeting all generational preferences.

Opportunities:

- Increase the number of community events
- Develop a community recreation department and community park/ center
- Increase housing diversity and affordability with small housing products, live-work opportunities, etc.
- Add a library
- Limit construction of larger-scale apartments
- Investigate train quiet zones
- Enforce traffic speeds and noise
- Efficiently route traffic around neighborhoods, leaving neighborhoods quiet and peaceful
- Improve security by building a police station
- Continue developing neighborhoods that are designed well for keeping through traffic out and providing great connected trails and green space and parks
- Continue to provide surveys to help Town Council see what residents' priorities are
- No low-income housing; no high-density housing
- Communicate with residents on planned and new developments
- Mixed-age/gender and multi-sport opportunities
- Volunteer projects
- Allow development of property without burdensome restrictions/requirements including requiring the inclusion of certain housing types/price points
- Recruit youth sports organizations
- Encourage community/school sponsored events
- Recruit a weekly newspaper of Timnath happenings and stories of interest
- Housing diversity; smaller houses
- Town support of the national initiative "Neighborhood Night Out"
- Add more shaded gathering areas to the parks for people to get together
- Have multiple ways out of a neighborhood
- Focus on utility infrastructure improvements first

**A Supported Small-Town Economy** | A resilient economic strategy that balances both large-scale economic generators and preservation of neighborhood-oriented, local businesses.

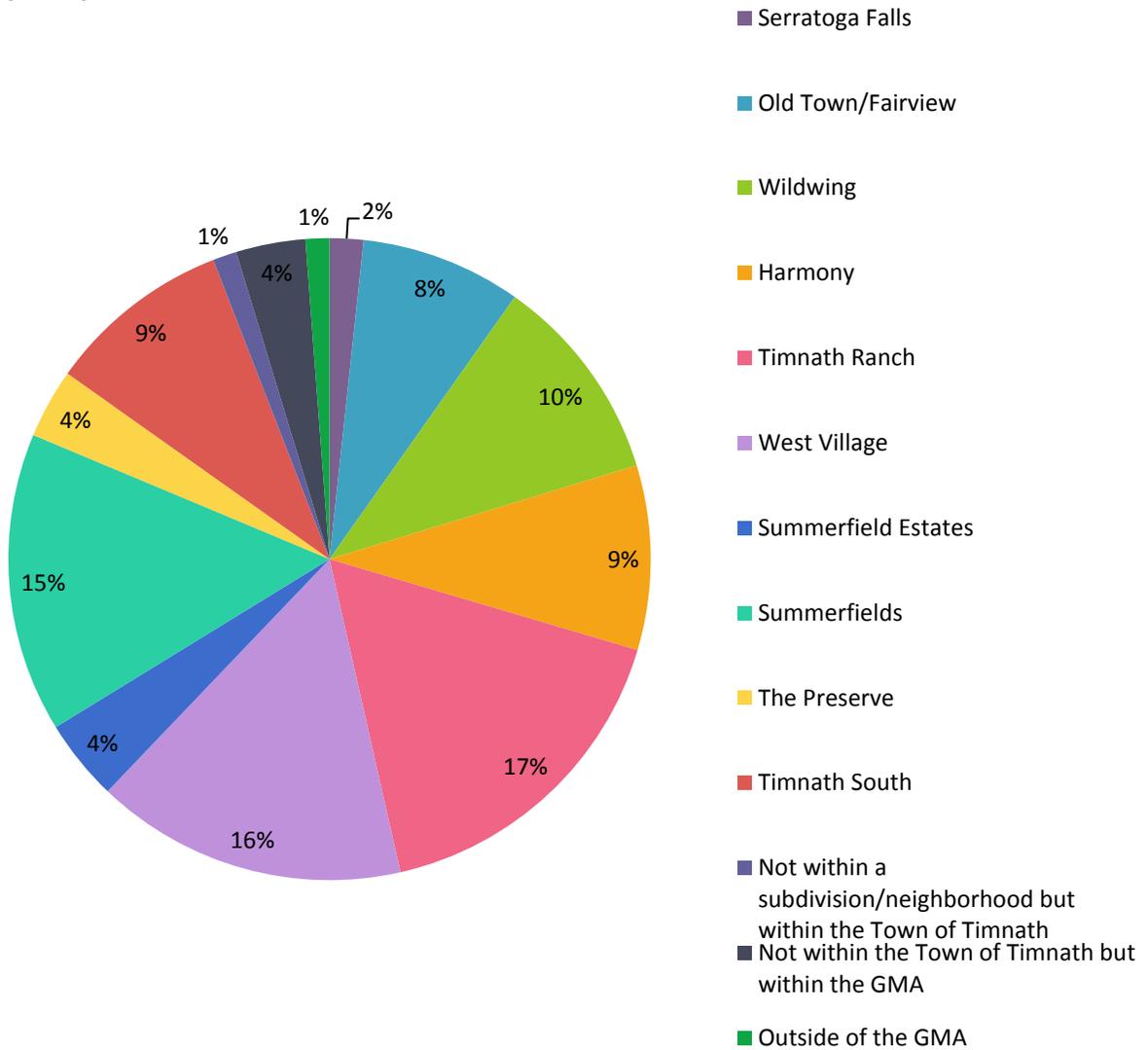
Opportunities:

- Encourage a small, local, market type grocery (Co-Op grocery, Lucky's Market, Sprouts, "mini" Whole Foods)
- Encourage and assist family, locally-owned businesses
  - Help subsidize small business in downtown and neighborhood centers
- Encourage "socially responsible" companies to locate in Timnath.
- Separate the large-scale business/ highway retail from much of the community through river and open space
- Utilize tax revenue from large business to help subsidize
- Increase neighborhood retail options/ variety/ convenience (e.g. sit-down restaurants, like Silver Grille, Union, The Rio, Starry Night)
- Keep big box stores on Harmony Rd, Mulberry St, and I-25 interchanges.
- Encourage larger employers to set up adjacent to downtown, to help patronize downtown businesses (lunch, shopping), enabling the downtown businesses to get off the ground
- Community gardens, co-op private preschool
- Encourage dark-sky lighting in retail areas and in Old Town
- Neighborhood retail should use signs and parking lot lighting with diminished lumen power. Reduce lumen power (30%?) of existing Old Town street lights which are nicely spaced but aesthetically too bright
- Have proper lighting and encourage evening hours for success of small businesses
- Entice some large-scale manufacturers to come to Timnath to support tax revenue

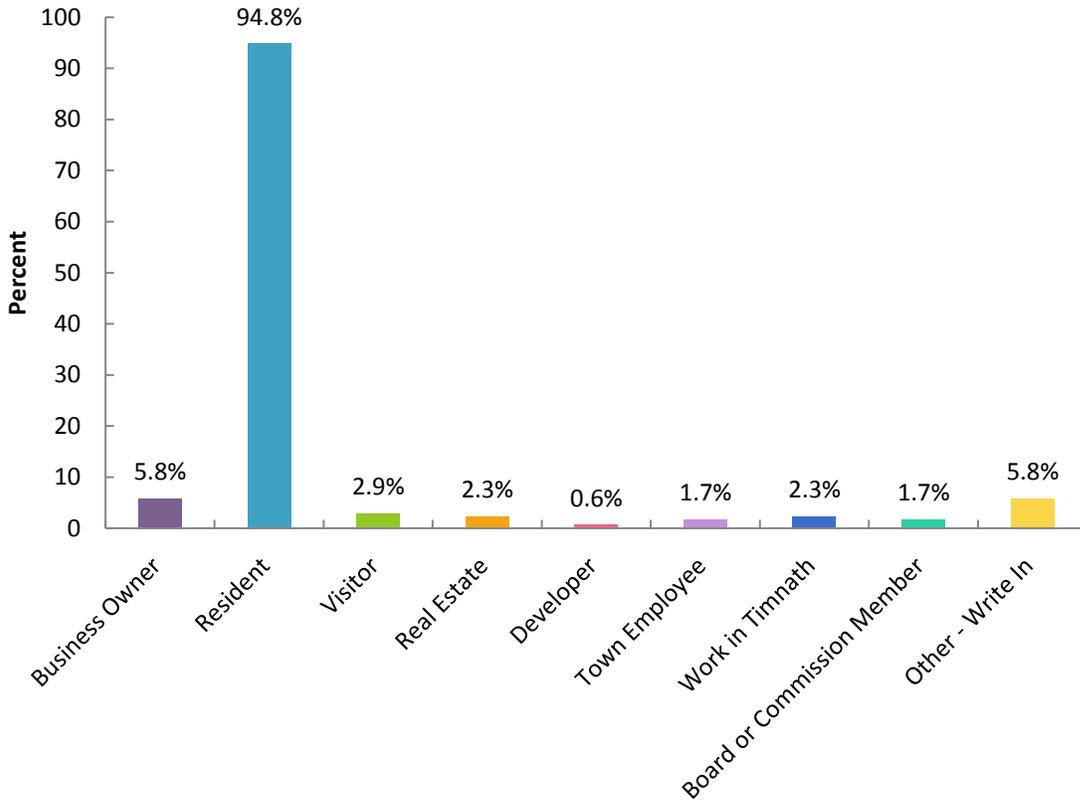
Other:

- "I like what was done with the old train station. We're waiting until things develop closer to the train station or we can get better deals to move our office into Old Town."
- "Keep "old town" or "original town" the city center for everything."
- "Part of small town charm is when merchants are also your neighbors."
- Give incentives for incompatible businesses to relocate. For instance, moving the Alpine Cabinet Company from the center of town to the area by Walker Mfg. and Mill Brothers Landscaping.

The following map presents the Town limits along with the growth management area (GMA).



Tell us a little about your relationship with the Town of Timnath? (Check all that apply)



What is your age?

