

East Central Neighborhood Plan Phase I							
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<b>Land Use and Built Form Recommendations</b>							
L1	Ensure compatible development on institutional sites within neighborhoods.	A	Consider zoning code revisions to ensure compatible redevelopment of former institutional sites embedded in low and low-medium residential areas. These sites are appropriate for low-medium residential and neighborhood-serving uses, such as childcare, cafés, community meeting space, and other low impact uses.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
		B	When new development occurs on large campuses, require compatible design with adjacent residential areas, pedestrian connections, open space, and activate building frontages on major corridors. (See Policies L7 and E1 for additional detail.)	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD	
L2	Encourage shared use and activation of institutional and quasi-public buildings and open space during offpeak times.	A	Encourage shared use of space at these types of facilities by creating shared use agreements between schools or churches and the city.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DPH	
L3	Allow taller buildings when significant community benefits are provided	A	Consistent with citywide policies in Blueprint Denver, develop a robust incentive system near major transit corridors through a community process that provides additional height in exchange for significant community benefits. Affordable (income-restricted) housing should be the primary community benefit achieved.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
		B	Additional community benefits identified include: 1. Publicly accessible open space especially in low access areas (see open space access map in Section 2.4 Quality-of-Life Infrastructure). 2. Inclusion of affordable commercial space or community-serving uses (see sidebar for definition and Policy E6 for more detail). 3. Preservation of an existing commercial character building. 4. Providing transportation amenities and infrastructure to encourage mode shift (see TDM strategies in Section 2.3 Mobility).	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
L4	Encourage renovations and additions instead of demolition in residential areas.	A	Update regulations in residential zone districts to remove barriers to additions and renovations.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
		B	Consider fees and new regulations that require the salvaging or reuse of building materials when homes of certain age are demolished.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
L5	Encourage preserving buildings in Low Residential Places and expand missing middle housing options in neighborhoods.	A	Consistent with adopted citywide policies in Blueprint Denver, integrate missing middle housing (see following page for definition) in Low Residential Places with rules to preserve valued neighborhood characteristics and address unique issues in the East Central area as follows:	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
		B	In Low Residential Single Unit Places, create an incentive for preserving historically significant homes by allowing an additional primary dwelling unit if the existing home is preserved, as follows:	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	

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		C	Implement adopted citywide policies in Blueprint Denver to diversify housing choice through expansion of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) throughout all residential areas while also addressing context-sensitive ADU design and removing barriers to ADU construction.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
L6	Retain the character of High, High-Medium, and Low-Medium Residential Places and facilitate compatible infill development.	A	Promote preservation of historic and characterdefining single-unit, multi-unit, and mixed-use buildings. Consider individual landmarks, historic districts, or other tools as appropriate.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		B	Update the Capitol Hill/Uptown – R-4/OD-1 and Uptown – R-4-X Design Standards and Guidelines for new construction and modification to existing buildings. Updated design standards should address the following:	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		C	Apply the revised design standards to all multi-unit and mixed-use zoning outside centers and corridors	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		D	Encourage more larger units (2+ bedrooms) in multiunit and mixed-use developments to accommodate a variety of household types and sizes.	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		E	Expand diversity of housing types and affordability to support households of different sizes, ages, and incomes in all neighborhoods. (See E11 for more detail.)	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		

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L7	Work with neighborhoods to modify zoning standards for new construction to be more consistent with neighborhood character in Low Residential Places.	A	Update zoning regulations to create more contextual standards for massing, scale, and height	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
L8	Encourage high-quality design and character preservation in Centers and Corridors	A	Modify regulations to improve design quality in Centers and Corridors. Primary elements to consider include:	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		B	Strengthen standards for active ground floor use areas.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		C	Prepare guidelines for sensitive transitions to residential districts and historic buildings. Primary elements to consider include:	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
L9	Mobilize next steps for preserving historic buildings and neighborhood character.	A	For areas identified as an "Area of Historic Significance," partner with Historic Denver to engage residents on the creation of a historic district. Identify additional incentives to encourage property owners to designate	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		B	For areas identified as "Areas of Historic Interest," encourage Discover Denver to prioritize these areas for future survey phases.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
L10	Continue Improving Out of Date Zoning Regulations	A	Rezone Former Chapter 59 properties into the Denver Zoning Code (DZC). 1. Ensure that fees are structured as to promote rezoning out of Former Chapter 59 zone districts and into the DZC and reflect the true cost of administration.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		B	Review use and applicability of UO-2 (Billboard Overlay). When a rezoning occurs, recommend eliminating this overlay.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
NCH-L1	Redevelop former District 6 Police Station and vacant site on southern portion of the Civic Center Transit Station	A	District 6 Police Station falls within the identified "incentive area" where additional height (above existing allowable zoning of MS-8) may be available in exchange for community benefit.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		B	Work with RTD and the Downtown Denver Partnership to redevelop the vacant lot at Civic Center Station, using the Civic Center Transit District Plan recommendations as a guide.	Service/Program	Ongoing	CPD		
NCH-L3	Ensure high-quality development along Sherman Street that benefits the community.	A	Consider more intense zoning and modifications to the City Park view plane in exchange for significant community benefits	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
CH-L2	Direct growth to specific areas including Colfax Avenue, Sherman Street and neighborhood nodes, in exchange for community benefits.	A	Consider the following priorities for community benefits: 1. Implementation of the 5280 Trail design along this stretch of Sherman Street. 2. Improved streetscape and activation of the ground floor level. 3. Preservation of existing community-serving uses, such as grocery stores, in new development. 4. Additional housing units, with a percentage of affordable units.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
CH-L3	Advance recommendations from the Golden Triangle Neighborhood Plan for the Broadway/Lincoln corridor.	A	Update the D-GT zone district and Golden Triangle design guidelines to ensure that the height and overall mass of new development preserves the neighborhood's design context and is compatible with adjacent, smaller-scale buildings and promotes a high-quality pedestrian experience	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		B	Allow for and promote a range of arts-related land uses, to preserve the distinctive artistic character and cultivate a new "creative class" of artists to enrich the neighborhood	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		C	Enhance the current configuration of the Broadway/ Lincoln couplet by introducing new streetscapes, "parklet" spaces, enhancements and mobility improvements that create a unified Grand Boulevard.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		

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CH-L5	Promote the character of the Civic Center area through appropriate uses and quality design.	A	Maintain the strong presence of government uses in the area mixed with some private uses.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		B	Update the D-CV zone district and adopt design standards and guidelines to promote development consistent with the area's historic character.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		C	Maintain the Civic Center Height Restrictions and State Capitol and City Park – Natural History Museum view planes.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		D	Enhance the Sherman Street streetscape to promote views of the Capitol and provide a more pleasant approach to the Capitol for pedestrians and cyclists.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		E	Require parking structures to have active ground floor uses and high-quality design.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
CPW-L1	Ensure development in the Uptown Healthcare District promotes the success of the medical uses and maintains compatibility with the surrounding neighborhood.	A	Promote hospital zoning that provides clarity and predictability for future healthcare development and ensures that appropriate transitions between the hospital districts and adjacent residential districts are respected.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		B	Develop circulation patterns for the healthcare uses that do not adversely impact the surrounding residential communities	Infrastructure	Ongoing	DOTI		
		C	Identify shared open space and programs with overarching theme of health and wellness	Infrastructure	Ongoing	DPH		
CPW-L3	Consider additional protection for buildings that have architectural merit, but are not landmarked in Residential Office zone districts.	A	Consider a program, like the Historic Structure Use Overlay (UO-3), that encourages protection of significant architecture that contributes to the neighborhood (Victorians, Denver Squares, etc.) by allowing additional uses.	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		B	Consider conservation overlays or other tools to discourage demolition and ensure additions and new construction are compatible with the neighborhood character (see Policy L9).	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
CPW-L4	Promote and protect the existing small commercial areas north of 21st Avenue.	A	Maintain appropriate, small-scale, compatible mixed-use zoning on these sites. Consider requirements for maintaining retail uses on the ground floors of buildings.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		B	Ensure allowed building forms, uses, and other regulations promote compatibility with the surrounding residential areas, while providing for desired uses to locate and be successful in these locations.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		C	Expansion of existing mixed-use areas should be discouraged, however there are several institutional uses in this part of City Park West that may be appropriate for expanded uses if they become vacant and historic buildings are preserved (See Policy L2).	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		D	Provide support for community-serving businesses at these locations(See Policies ED 4, 5, 6, & 7)	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		A	Modify standards to be more proportional to the proposed project and site conditions while ensuring consistency with the vision for a pedestrian-friendly Colfax	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		B	Provide financial assistance or design alternatives for required streetscape improvements for lots less than 75 feet deep or if preserving a character building	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		C	Eliminate parking requirements for older structures more than 50 years old.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		

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C-L1	Reduce regulatory barriers to make it easier to reuse existing buildings and develop lower-scale buildings on small lots	D	Evaluate parking requirements for small lots with MS-3 (3-story maximum) zoning and reduce or eliminate if found to be unreasonably restricting redevelopment. Coordinate street parking management program with any parking reduction to mitigate impacts on adjacent neighborhoods	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		E	Provide dedicated staff for technical assistance to adaptive reuse and small scale development to help small businesses navigate the permitting process in an efficient, predictable, and timely manner.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		F	Create a Local Historic or Cultural District.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
C-L2	Encourage new development to provide community benefits adjacent to transit stations. Create a program that links potential increases in building heights or flexibility in zoning in specified areas in exchange for public benefits.	A	Refer to Land Use and Built Form chapter for height and community benefit recommendations and also consider the following Colfax-specific community benefits refinements:	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD		
		B	Modify building form and transition standards to take into account the challenging size of lots on Colfax and to encourage better outcomes. This zoning flexibility could be offered through design guidelines and/or by modifying base zoning standards.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
C-L3	Encourage redevelopment along and activation of alleys.	A	Work with Business Improvement Districts and Arts and Venues to create an "Activate Alleys" program that provides financial or technical assistance to property owners for public art and public realm enhancements.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		B	Where redevelopment occurs along an alley, encourage enhanced design solutions and small commercial spaces to help activate these spaces and make them feel safer.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
C-L4	Amend sign regulations to allow creative solutions to signs that fit the character of Colfax.	A	Allow neon and chasing neon light signs and encourage the preservation of existing signs of this nature.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		B	Allow creative and artistic signs, such as signs fused with art and signs integrated with iconic distinctive features, that reflect the history or character of Colfax	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		C	Allow blade signs.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		D	Amend square footage rules to encourage more creativity and artistic expression.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		E	Allow roof signs.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		F	Revise rules about murals and the amount that can contribute to advertising/allowable sign square footage.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		G	Ensure signage does not negatively impact surrounding residential areas.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
C-L5	Discourage low utilization of land and auto-oriented uses along Colfax.	A	Consider modifications to regulations to discourage drive-thrus and encourage multi-story, mixed-use development	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		

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<b>Economy and Housing Recommendations</b>								
E1	Bolster the healthcare and wellness sector as the foundation for economic growth in East Central.	A	Convene a working group of the Uptown district facilities, National Jewish Health, Rose Medical Center, Denver Health, and appropriate City staff.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DEDO	CPD	
		B	Through the working group, address common issues	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO	CPD	
		C	Work with National Jewish Health on their long-term plans for their remaining undeveloped properties in and adjacent to East Central (on both sides of Colorado Boulevard) to ensure development integrates well with the community and advances the vision for the area.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
E2	Strengthen the professional services market by promoting the development of small office space.	A	Coordinate with Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) on work plans to provide services that help property owners to better utilize existing real estate along Colfax Avenue for small professional services.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO	CPD	
		B	Where retail or restaurants might be difficult to accommodate and/or in areas outside of anticipated retail nodes near BRT stations, encourage and allow ground floor activation (beyond retail and restaurant uses) with office uses, services, or flex/innovation spaces.	Regulatory	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD	DEDO	
		C	Continue to support small office uses where they are currently allowed in mixed-use areas off of Colfax and in Residential Office (RO) zone districts while ensuring they are compatible with existing neighborhood character.	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD	DEDO	
E3	Partner with Denver Public Schools, the Downtown Denver Partnership, and other major area employers/projects in connecting East Central residents to job opportunities.	A	Through the medical facilities working group (see Policy E1), identify training needs and potential partnerships with DPS and other higher education institutions to help provide the training.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO		
		B	Work with DPS in identifying opportunities, such as US Department of Education and foundation grants to further support students and their families from cradle to career.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO		
		C	Connect area job seekers to BRT construction job opportunities (see Policy C-E3).	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI	DEDO	
		D	Work with the Downtown Denver Partnership to develop a program to identify workforce training needs among downtown businesses, and ultimately connect the businesses to job trainees and seekers in the area.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DEDO		
		A	Identify opportunities to provide flexibility in change of-use requirements for small businesses and analyze the costs of public realm improvements to be more proportional to private investment (see Policy C-L1).	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		

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E4	Improve the regulatory process to provide additional support for existing and new small businesses in the area.	B	Revise signage requirements along Colfax to ensure businesses have the ability to advertise to a variety of passing customers, including pedestrians and transit riders. Areas of focus should be allowing certain forms of blade signage, neon signage, and energy efficient options while maintaining character (see Policy C-L4).	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		C	Continually improve the online Toolkit for Startups and Small Businesses based on user feedback from small businesses.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO	CPD	
		D	Continue to expand the number of applications available for submittal and review online to reduce trips to the city permitting counter and further expedite the process.	Service/Program	Ongoing	CPD		
		E	Assess the feasibility of application fee waivers or deferrals to support new and existing small businesses.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	DEDO	
		F	Develop a handbook for adaptive reuse projects to promote predictability and reduce variations in case-by-case decisions.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD		
		G	Improve design quality in mixed-use areas to attract and retain visitors (see Policy L8).	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
E5	Work in tandem with Business Improvement Districts to provide technical assistance to existing small independent businesses to help them succeed and prevent involuntary displacement.	A	Work with each BID to develop a marketing package for small independent businesses in the Colfax Avenue and Bluebird BIDs to help attract customers to individual businesses, and to help locally-owned businesses locate and remain in the districts and provide living wages and benefits to staff such as transit passes.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DEDO		
		B	Ensure all small business technical assistance is available to English-as-a-second-language business owners.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO	CPD	
		C	Offer matchmaking services to connect small independent businesses with landlords. Provide relocation assistance to displaced small businesses to help them remain as close to their prior location as possible.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DEDO		
		D	Develop and maintain lists of pre-qualified tenant leads that can be provided to property owners and leasing professionals as alternatives to large national brands, while also making a case to developers and landlords for a broader and more strategic approach to retail tenancing.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO		
		E	Encourage BIDs and other appropriate organizations to provide technical assistance with succession or transition planning, lease negotiations, and other highly technical challenges faced by small business owners.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO		
E6	Broaden the range of financial incentives for small independent businesses and landlords to strengthen the area's tenant mix and help prevent displacement.	A	Assist small businesses in buying their building or condo space, by utilizing programs such as the Small Business Administration's 504 Loan Program and mobilizing community development organizations, such as Community Development Corporations (CDCs), to acquire commercial property.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO		
		B	Offer new forms of financial support for upgrading or expanding retail space, storefront improvements, business signage upgrades, and unexpected repairs and building rehab. Support can come in varied forms including fee waivers or deferral, low-interest loans, or small grants.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO		

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		C	Offer financial incentives to landlords that are willing to sign long-term leases with small businesses. (See profile of San Francisco's Legacy Business Historic Preservation Fund.)	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO		
		D	Incentivize new projects that offer smaller retail spaces and/or provide below-market commercial space with incentives such as height bonuses, low-interest financing, and direct subsidies.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	CPD	DEDO	
E7	Support and develop new community-minded ownership models that have a goal of maintaining East Central's variety of small, local businesses.	A	Help local community groups to assume ownership of small businesses through a variety of ownership models that could include cooperatives, CDCs, and innovative crowdsourcing models (see profile of United Kingdom's More Than A Pub program).	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO		
		B	Provide support for existing and/or new BIDs, CDCs, Community Land Trusts, and/or commercial real estate investment cooperatives purchasing buildings or master-leasing ground floors as below-market space for small businesses.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DEDO		
		C	Work with property owners and BIDs to develop small business incubators and/or accelerators to test market new neighborhood serving retail and services. Successful incubator tenants should then be encouraged to move to permanent storefront locations within East Central with matchmaking assistance from BIDs.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DEDO		
E8	Stabilize residents at risk of involuntary displacement.	A	Connect residents with programs to help them stay in their homes, including temporary rental and utility assistance, property tax rebates, homeowner preservation initiatives, ownership programs, eviction legal defense, tenant rights counseling, financial empowerment training, home rehabilitation assistance, energy and accessibility assistance, and emergency relief funds.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST, DEDO		
		B	Conduct outreach to understand the needs of older adults and explore additional assistance options to mitigate their involuntary displacement.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	HOST		
		C	Support citywide efforts to explore a preference policy that would give preference in income-restricted units to existing residents that have been or are at risk of being displaced.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		D	Integrate resources and strategies to mitigate involuntary displacement of residents with the implementation of major City investments and projects, including regulatory changes, legislative rezonings, and transportation infrastructure improvements. Strategies include incentives or requirements for affordable housing and targeted engagement to connect vulnerable residents with resources.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST, DEDO, CPD		
		E	Work with partners to increase access to programs that help residents stay in their homes, increase utilization of public housing programs (including City, State and nonprofit programs), increase home-ownership and explore housing land trust programs.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
E9	Preserve existing affordability and housing quality.	A	Preserve the affordability of existing income-restricted properties	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		B	Preserve the affordability of naturally occurring affordable housing, particularly in areas vulnerable to displacement and close to transit, through existing tools and new tools	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		C	Retain and improve the quality of older housing through programs that help with upgrades to improve accessibility, energy efficiency, and rehabilitation.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		

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		D	Connect landlords to programs that offer tenant assistance and help with rehabilitation.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
E10	Create new affordable housing with access to transit and amenities.	A	Ensure affordable housing is provided when large city-owned property, particularly the District 6 police station, is redeveloped.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	HOST		
		B	Ensure that the value of increased development potential is shared with the community through the provision of affordable housing or other community benefits (see Policy L3). Appropriate tools include:	Regulatory	Ongoing	CPD, HOST		
		C	Support acquisition of land by the city and/or its partners, such as Denver Housing Authority and community land trust entities, for future affordable housing, particularly along major transit corridors and in Corridors, Centers, and High, High-Medium, and Low-Medium Residential Places.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		D	Promote the use and expansion of tools, such as Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Tax Increment Financing, and the Affordable Housing Fund, to help fund development of affordable housing.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		E	Partner with area hospitals, Denver Public Schools, and other major employers to create and/or fund affordable workforce housing (see Policy E1).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	HOST		
		F	Ensure new affordable housing is 1. Affordable to households earning very low, low, and moderate incomes, consistent with adopted city policy. 2. Helping to address the shortage of units affordable to very low-income households in the plan area. 3. Designed to accommodate a range of households, including families, multi-generational living, aging in place, residents with disabilities, and residents needing supportive services. 4. Dedicated as affordable for a period of time consistent with or greater than adopted city policy. 5. Of similar types to market-rate housing built within the plan area.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		G	Work with affordable housing developers and managers on transportation demand strategies that help ensure residents have access to multimodal transportation options (see Policy M12).	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST, DOTI		
		H	Enhance park and recreation access in proximity to affordable housing to help improve health outcomes for low-income households (see Policies Q3 and Q4).	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST, DPR		
		I	Partner with area hospitals, Denver Public Schools, and other major employers to create and/or fund affordable workforce housing (See Policy E3).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	HOST		
				A	Develop more permanent and supportive housing, combining low-barrier affordable housing, health care, and other supportive services to help create stability for vulnerable residents.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST
		B	Increase access to homeownership for low- and moderate-income renters by implementing citywide programs and working with partners to create new pilot programs.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		

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E11	Expand diversity of housing types and affordability to support households of different sizes, ages, and incomes throughout East Central.	C	Encourage more family-friendly development, including larger unit sizes and family-supportive amenities (see Blueprint Denver Policy LU-H 07).	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		D	Expand housing options for non-traditional households, aging-in-place, co-housing, cooperatives, and group living.	Regulatory and Service/Program	Ongoing	CPD, HOST		
		E	Integrate accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and missing middle housing in appropriate locations (See Policy L5) with strategies for affordability and wealthbuilding for low- and moderate-income residents	Regulatory and Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD, HOST		
		F	Conduct an evaluation of city regulations and standards in comparison to best practice accessibility standards, including Universal Design research, to encourage more housing that meets the needs of residents with disabilities.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD		
		G	Expand live-work opportunities in a manner that is compatible with surrounding neighborhood character to reduce housing costs for small business owners and entrepreneurs.	Regulatory and Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD, HOST		
E12	Improve the existing social service system through collaboration, co-location and coordination between providers, and between providers and city agencies.	A	Identify existing homelessness prevention and rapidrehousing resources in the community and bring in additional partners for more local collaboration.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	HOST	NEST	CPD
		B	Identify existing drug and alcohol rehabilitation resources and promote collaboration between providers, and between providers and city agencies.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DHS	NEST	DPH
		C	Support workforce training and education programs that connect workers to employers (see Policy E3).					
		D	Explore models that promote co-location of services (e.g. Dahlia campus for mental health and well-being and the Rose Andom Center).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DHS	HOST	NEST
E13	Promote innovative service delivery models, and expand pool of service provider partners—to address gaps in existing social service system.	A	Conduct gap analysis with homeless service partners, school and early childhood partners, and human services partners.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	NEST, HOST	DSH	DPS
		B	Create models to address gaps of services, such as resource navigation, hygiene, and rest centers (referred to in this plan as community resource centers).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	HOST	DSH	DPH
		C	Increase funding for substance treatment services, including training and implementation of cross-sector teams to address needs of people experiencing homelessness, school children, immigrants or refugees, or other special populations.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DPH	DHS	DPS
		D	Increase funding for homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing resources in the community.	Service/Program	Ongoing	HOST		
		E	Invest in new partnerships for service provision, including mini-grants to fund innovative work from local community partners.	Service/Program				
		F	Explore partnerships to expand innovative delivery models to address homelessness, such as tiny home villages, bridge housing, rapid resolution, and residential shelter locations.	Service/Program		CPD	HOST	NEST
E14	Build access to, awareness of, and support for social services for residents in East Central.	A	Encourage stronger relationships between service providers and their neighbors	Service/Program		NEST	DSH	
		B	Integrate supportive services with housing and connect private landlords to existing social services in their neighborhood.	Service/Program		HOST	NEST	DHS
NCH-E1	Work with the Downtown Denver Partnership to prioritize and implement improvements and determine funding.	A	Implementation of the 5280 Loop and streetscape improvements along Sherman Street is a priority.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	DPR	

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		B	Coordinate recommendations of this plan with the Upper Downtown Plan being led by DDP	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	DEDO	
CP-E1	Promote the continued success of cultural institutions while managing the impacts on surrounding neighborhoods and park land.	A	Work with cultural institutions to identify their longterm goals for continued success and growth and develop plans with the community to achieve them.	Service/Program	Ongoing	CPD	AV	
		B	Promote partnerships between cultural institutions and local businesses where there are opportunities for mutual benefit.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	AV	
		C	Encourage walking, biking, and transit to access cultural institutions to limit the impacts on neighborhoods from traffic and parking.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DOTI	AV	
CHP-E1	Promote the continued success of cultural institutions while managing the impacts on surrounding neighborhoods and park land.	A	Work with cultural institutions to identify their longterm goals for continued success and growth and develop plans with the community to achieve them.	Service/Program	Ongoing	CPD	AV	
		B	Promote partnerships between cultural institutions and local businesses where there are opportunities for mutual benefit.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	AV	
		C	Encourage walking, biking, and transit to access cultural institutions to limit the impacts on neighborhoods from traffic and parking.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DOTI	AV	
C-E4	Create a multi-faceted BRT construction mitigation program for small businesses along the Colfax corridor to help them thrive during the period of construction.	A	For the BRT construction period, dedicate a City staff position that assists small business owners within the BRT impact area to carry out the mitigation initiatives listed as strategies B-H below.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DOTI	
		B	Expand and adapt the pilot Business Impact Opportunity (BIO) Fund to the Colfax corridor, using city general funds, a portion of the BRT project budget, and other available sources.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DOTI	
		C	Encourage station-by-station construction patterns that minimize the disruption to businesses around individual BRT station areas. Coordinate construction scheduling to account for seasonality, time of day, loading/unloading, and other concerns, acknowledging that this may differ by station area depending on the makeup of businesses.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		D	Create temporary wayfinding and signage on key routes, including 13th, 14th, 17th, and 18th Avenues to account for reduced visibility and access to Colfax businesses during construction.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	DEDO	CPD
		E	Evaluate and implement innovative ways to maintain pedestrian connectivity and access (across Colfax and crossing streets) during road closures.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		F	Require the BRT construction contractors to hire local subcontractors, use local services from within East Central during the planning and construction periods, and encourage construction employees to patronize Colfax businesses.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	DEDO	
		G	Leverage Transportation Management Association's (TMA) in the area to offer transit passes for corridor employees (Eco-Passes) to help mitigate BRT construction impacts and free up parking spaces for customers (see Policy C-E4).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	DEDO	
		H	Ensure the public art projects required by the Denver Public Art program enhance the pedestrian environment and contribute to the unique character of Colfax.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	AV	

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C-E4	Help businesses prepare for a future BRT multi-modal retail environment that is more neighborhood oriented and pedestrian friendly	A	Evaluate the best option for the Colfax corridor to join an existing regional Transportation Management Association (TMA) to encourage a variety of transportation modes in the East Central Area. The TMA will help implement strategies B-F below (see Policy M12).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DOTI	
		B	Work with BIDs and TMAs to offer Transportation Demand Management (TDM) services and training that help businesses and could include:	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DOTI	
		C	Work with BIDs and TMAs to find solutions for parking and loading challenges.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	DEDO	
		D	Ensure pedestrian safety enhancements are incorporated into BRT implementation. Priority improvements should include:	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		E	Conduct outreach to large employers to promote employee carpool, rideshare, and teleworking programs.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DOTI	
		F	Offer transit passes for corridor employees (EcoPasses) to help kickstart BRT, support citywide TDM goals, and free up parking spaces for customers.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DOTI	
		G	Provide technical assistance for small independent businesses to attract more customers from the surrounding neighborhoods through marketing and other tools.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO		
		H	Partner with BIDs, RTD, and other organizations for streetscape improvements that enhance safety and well-being of visitors, including public restrooms (see Policy Q17).	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	DEDO	CPD
<b>Mobility Recommendations</b>								
		A.1	Colfax Ave: 1. Interim	Infrastructure	Ongoing	DOTI		
		A.2	Colfax Ave: 2. Short-term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		B.1	Broadway: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		B.2	Broadway: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		C.1	Colorado Boulevard: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		C.2	Colorado Boulevard: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		D.1	Corona Street: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		D.2	Corona Street: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		E.1	Downing Street: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		E.2	Downing Street: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		F.1	Josephine Street: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		F.2	Josephine Street: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		G.1	Lincoln: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		

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M1	Create bold changes to the mobility system by repurposing street space along key corridors to prioritize safe and accessible walking, biking, rolling, and transit.	G.2	Lincoln: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		H.1	Park Avenue between Colfax and 20th Avenues: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		H.2	Park Avenue between Colfax and 20th Avenues: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		I.1	York Street: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		I.2	York Street: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		J.1	6th Avenue: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		J.2	6th Avenue: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		K.1	7th Avenue Parkway between Colorado and Williams Street : 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		K.2	7th Avenue Parkway between Colorado and Williams Street : 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		L.1	8th Avenue: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		L.2	8th Avenue: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		M.1	12th Avenue: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		M.2	12th Avenue: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		N.1	13th Avenue: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		N.2	13th Avenue: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		O.1	14th Avenue: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		O.2	14th Avenue: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		P.1	16th Avenue between Broadway and City Park Esplanade: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		P.2	16th Avenue between Broadway and City Park Esplanade: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		Q.1	17th: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		Q.2	17th: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
R.1	18th: 1. Short-Term	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI				
R.2	18th: 2. Long-Term	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI				
		A	Upgrade planned conventional bike lanes on Washington St. and Clarkson St. between 7th and 20th Aves. to a protected bike lane, due to safety benefits of greater separation from auto traffic, and install new crossings.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		

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M2	Implement and upgrade planned Denver Moves: Bikes bikeways.	B	Upgrade existing Denver Moves: Bikes shared roadway to a high comfort bikeway on Franklin St. between 12th and 23rd Aves. due to connection between 16th Ave., Cheesman Park, and the medical campus to the north.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		C	Upgrade entrance to Cheesman Park at Williams St. and 13th Ave., install new signals on Williams St. at 13th and 18th Aves., upgrade progression signal at 14th Ave., upgrade bicycle crossing at Colfax Ave. intersection.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		D	Reroute planned St Paul St. neighborhood bikeway to Steele St., due to signal at Colfax Ave. and Steele St., and extend Steele St. neighborhood bikeway between 6th and 17th Aves.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		E	Upgrade planned Denver Moves: Bikes buffered bike lanes recommendation to a neighborhood bikeway or protected bike lane on 16th Ave. between Broadway and City Park Esplanade in the short-term and study the feasibility of significantly limiting vehicular access to create a bike priority street in the long-term.	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI		
		F	Upgrade Denver Moves: Bikes shared roadway to bike lanes on 12th Ave. between Broadway and Cheesman Park.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		G	Install Denver Moves: Bikes recommendation of a neighborhood bikeway on 7th Ave. between Lincoln St and Williams St.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		H	Upgrade Denver Moves: Bikes recommendation of a buffered bike lane to a protected bike lane on 7th Ave. Parkway between Williams St. and Colorado Blvd.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		I	Install planned Garfield St. neighborhood bikeway connecting City Park to the Cherry Creek Trail. See concept sketch at right.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		J	Upgrade 23rd Ave. from bike lane and sharrows to high comfort bikeway such as buffered or protected bike lanes, and focus on transition to 22nd Ave. bike lane.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		K	Extend proposed Grant St. protected bike lane, currently planned from 20th Ave. to 11th Ave., several blocks further south to 7th Ave. to ensure the project ties into the Cherry Creek Trail and Broadway multimodal project improvements.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		L	Upgrade shared roadway to neighborhood bikeway on Sherman St. between Colfax & 20th Aves. to complete this leg of the 5280 Trail. Install Denver Moves: Bikes neighborhood bikeway on Sherman St from 14th Ave to 6th Ave, considering crossing improvements at 6th Ave, 7th Ave, and 8th Ave.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
M3	Install new bikeways not previously identified in Denver Moves: Bikes.	A	Conduct corridor study that includes 11th Ave. and 12th Ave. to determine community preference and best placement for transit and bicycle improvements. Address the narrow conditions between Logan St and Grant St to create a continuous facility and consider protective elements at busy intersections, such as Broadway. Also see Quality-of-Life Infrastructure Section 2.4.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		B	Improve crossing at 17th Ave. and Colorado Blvd. See concept sketch at right.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		C	Study the feasibility of adding a neighborhood bikeway on Detroit St. between 6th and 17th Aves. Study should consider parallel route opportunities to leverage existing infrastructure and topography.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		

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		D	Study the feasibility of adding a high comfort bikeway on 9th Ave. between Broadway and Colorado Blvd. Also see Quality-of-Life Infrastructure Section 2.4.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		E	Study feasibility of adding a high comfort bikeway on Lafayette and Gaylord Sts. between 12th and 16th Aves. Study should consider parallel route opportunities, such as Race St, to leverage existing infrastructure.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		F	Study feasibility of adding a protected bike lane on 14th Ave. between Broadway and Colorado Blvd.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		G	Study feasibility of connecting 16th Ave bike lane to proposed 16th Ave neighborhood bikeway. East High School will be a major stakeholder in this effort.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
M4	Install new sidewalks.	A	Install new sidewalks where they are missing in the City Park and Congress Park neighborhoods.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI		
		B	Bring sidewalks up to standard in all East Central neighborhoods. 1. Short-term a. Interim sidewalk extensions and ADA facilities. 2. Long-term a. Permanent sidewalks and ADA facilities	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI		
		C	Coordinate with Denver's Neighborhood Sidewalk Repair Program to determine implementation and funding for sidewalk installation and widening.	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI		
M5	Install safety and accessibility improvements at existing pedestrian and bicycle crossings.		No strategy - see page 105	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI		
M6	Install new safe, comfortable, and accessible pedestrian and bicycle crossings.		No strategy - see page 105	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI		
M7	Prioritize implementing transit along corridors in East Central.	A	Advance implementation of High Capacity Transit Corridors	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI	RTD	
		B	Advance implementation of Medium-Capacity Transit Corridors	Infrastructure	Both (short and long-term recommendation )	DOTI	RTD	
		C	Advance implementation of Speed and Reliability Transit Corridors	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	RTD	
M8	Install rider amenities at transit stops and better connect transportation modes via mobility hubs.			Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	RTD	
M9	Study measures to slow traffic along neighborhood streets directly surrounding schools, parks, hospitals, libraries, commercial areas, and recreation centers.	A	Explore the feasibility of limiting speeds on roads and disallowing turns on red lights.	Regulatory	Ongoing	DOTI	DPD	
		A	Identify alternative parking management strategies and improved safety opportunities.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		

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M10	Manage and more efficiently use curbside resources.	B	Ensure that strategies are flexible and can adapt to evolving curbside needs, trends, and transportation technology.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DOTI		
		C	Pilot converting on-street parking spaces in key locations to alternative curbside uses such as public parklets, bicycle and micromobility parking, shared parking, electric vehicle charging stations, and mobility hub/ transit stop infrastructure.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		D	Emphasize the use of alleys for business loading and unloading and explore opportunities for on-street loading zones in neighborhoods where appropriate and according to DOTI standards.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		E	Develop additional Curbside Area Management Plans (CAMPs) to address neighborhood parking and	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
M11	Strengthen parking management tools that reflect the City's strategic parking goals.	A	Improve on-street parking strategies.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		B	Encourage shared parking arrangements and provide guidance to businesses and residents.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
M12	Adopt Transportation Demand Management strategies and policies to shift people's travel behavior and meet City goals.	A	Require new development strategies in coordination with Denver's TDM Plan guidance such as parking maximums, shared car services and allocated parking, private bike share programs, secure bike parking, car/bike share memberships for tenants, transit passes for tenants, ride hailing/taxi drop off parking or pull out, deliveries scheduled during non-rush hours, and potential on/offsite mobility infrastructure improvements.	Infrastructure	Ongoing	DOTI	CPD	
		B	Encourage businesses and BIDs to join a regional TMA to have access to services and funds to administer, promote, and implement TDM programs.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DOTI	CPD	
		C	Provide a one-time bus pass or other transit incentive to ticket holders to local entertainment and cultural destinations, and/or new fare options such as weekend passes.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	RTD	
		D	Work with TMAs, employers, residences, RNOs, and BIDs to provide reduced or free RTD fares for residents and employees.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DOTI		
<b>Quality of Life Recommendations</b>								
Q1	Examine the potential for Historic Park Avenue to connect existing open space, parks and recreational assets.	A	Strengthen the pedestrian environment at the intersection of Park Avenue and Colfax Avenue.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD	DPR
		B	Study the opportunities to improve the pedestrian environment and park experience along the length of Park Avenue, from Colfax Avenue to 20th Avenue.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI	CPD	DPR
		C	Comply with Design Guidelines for Historic Parkways and Boulevards and the Park Avenue Ordinance unless updates are needed to implement pedestrian, bicycle, and transit improvements. Updates should balance multi-modal convenience and safety with the historic integrity, cultural heritage and open space values of the community.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI	CPD	DPR
Q2	Develop new Contemporary Parkways that serve multiple community functions, including connecting the community to open space, parks and recreational assets.	A	Leverage transportation network improvements (see Mobility section) to create Contemporary Parkways that connect the existing and future elements of the park system with increased mobility options and park-like conditions.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD	DPR

Policy		Strategy	Implementation Category	Timeframe (Years)	City Lead (s)		
		B Work with Denver Public Works, Denver Landmarks, Historic Denver and Denver Parks and Recreation to consider Contemporary Parkway standards in the retrofit of historic parkways, where allowable.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD	DPR
Q3	Enhance existing community open space, parks and recreation facilities	A Strengthen partnerships with private property owners and develop shared-use agreements (SUAs) (similar to the agreements already established with the Denver Botanic Gardens, the Denver Zoo, and the Denver Museum of Nature and Science) with schools, institutions and hospitals to create shared open spaces within the community.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	DPR	
		B Increase recreational programming for all ages and interests, particularly children and youth, at parks, open spaces, school, community centers and recreation centers	Service/Program	Ongoing	DPR		
		C Continue to advertise the Parks & Recreation Looking to Assist You (PLAY) program, which offers affordable memberships and programming rates to low income Denver residents, prioritizing areas with high health disparities.	Service/Program	Ongoing	DPR	DDPHE	
Q4	Create new community open space, parks, and recreation facilities	A Prioritize future locations that align with the City's Game Plan for a Healthy City priority areas for new parks and areas prone to flooding according to the City's Storm Drainage Master Plan or the best available data. Additional future locations include the District 6 Police Station redevelopment and redevelopment within the National Jewish Health campus.	Infrastructure	Ongoing	DOTI	CPD	DPR
		B Incentivize and/or require publicly-accessible outdoor spaces, particularly in centers and corridors, as part of high-quality design. These publicly-accessible amenities can be a community benefit in exchange for taller heights, particularly along major corridors and near Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) stations. Establish standards and guidelines that ensure public accessibility, design, and features that respond to the community context. See Policies L3, L10, and C-L2.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD	DPR
Q5	Strengthen the existing tree canopy and increase tree canopy coverage within the public right-of-way.	A Coordinate with the City and County of Denver Office of the City Forester to continue to support removal and replacement of deficient existing trees within the public right-of-way to ensure a healthy and sustainable tree canopy and unique community asset.	Service/Program	Ongoing	Forestry	DPR	DOTI
		B Increase coverage of the tree canopy through a City-sponsored community replacement program utilizing Denver-appropriate trees.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	Forestry	DPR	
		C Prioritize preservation of tree canopy in right-of-way design and other city projects.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	Forestry	DPR	DOTI
		D Develop educational programming and partnerships within the community to increase understanding of maintenance and care of the tree canopy.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	Forestry	DPR	
		E Support the development of an Urban Forest Plan to meet city-wide canopy goals for preservation, maintenance, implementation and funding.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	Forestry	DPR	
Q6	Protect and preserve the existing tree canopy in all redevelopment efforts.	A Strengthen development standards to protect existing tree assets and increase requirements to mitigate tree loss in redevelopment or new plans	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	Forestry	

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Q7	Increase the pervious surface coverage through the design and implementation of green infrastructure systems to increase environmental performance (infiltration, evaporation, evapotranspiration, carbon sequestration, shade, and urban heat).	A	Explore opportunities to convert existing impervious surface within public right-of-way to pervious surface through the addition of green infrastructure, planters, street trees, tree lawn or bulb-outs, permeable pavers, trails, parkland or native vegetation.	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD
		B	B. Develop design guidelines for a contemporary tree lawn.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD
		C	Increase the requirements for pervious acreage, water conservation in landscaping and inclusion of natural vegetation for redevelopment and new development.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD
		D	Work with private property owners, business improvement districts and other neighborhood organizations to transition underutilized paved lots to pervious surfaces.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD
Q8	Create a system of green streets and alleys to complement the network of existing Historic Parkways and new Contemporary Parkways and encourage sustainable water management practices including stormwater management, flood protection, water quality, runoff reduction, and water use.	A	Implement a system of green streets and green alleys to improve water quality and reduce nuisance flooding, prioritizing streets based on the City's Green Infrastructure Implementation Strategy (see map on the following page).	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI	CPD
		B	Prioritize the implementation of green streets that coincide with priority bicycle corridors and connections to key neighborhood destinations like parks, religious institutions, schools, and other institutions and centers.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI	CPD
Q9	Improve and maintain healthy options at existing East Central food retailers.	A	Encourage and incentivize more corner and convenience stores in East Central to sell a greater variety of healthy food items.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DDPHE	
		B	Retain existing grocery stores and small food retail businesses, particularly those already selling healthy food, in areas where commercial rents or property costs have become burdensome (See Economy & Housing Section 2.2.3).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DDPHE	DEDO
Q10	Improve the physical connections to grocery stores and other locations with healthy food options.	A	Install missing sidewalks and make crosswalk safety upgrades near food providers, prioritizing improvements near major grocery stores (See Policy M9).	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	
		B	Support build-out of a complete transportation network that provides adequate bicycle infrastructure (See Policies M2 & M3), transit access (See Policies M7 & M8), and traffic calming (See Policy M9) to provide safe, comfortable access to grocery stores, food pantries, and community gardens.	Infrastructure	Long Term - 6+ years	DOTI	
Q11	Support food growing and production in East Central neighborhoods.	A	Work with Denver Urban Gardens to provide funding and identify locations to develop new community gardens, such as at existing community centers with available open space including parks, schools, hospitals, and religious institutions.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DDPHE	CPD
		B	Analyze the barriers and constraints to food growing on public and private properties in East Central, including land use, zoning, permitting, maintenance, or building regulations.	Regulatory	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	
Q12	Expand healthy meal options available in East Central.	A	Recruit healthy, fast-casual restaurants to Colfax.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DDPHE
		B	Incentivize existing restaurants to offer healthier options.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	DDPHE
Q13	Recruit new small- to mid-sized grocery retailers and specialty stores.	A	Attract small- or medium-sized grocery outlets and specialty stores to serve low food access areas, such as City Park West, and portions of Cheesman Park, Congress Park, and North Capitol Hill.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DEDO	DDPHE

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Q14	Support innovative community food access projects.	A	Work with developers and community-driven investors to incorporate food access in new developments.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	DDPHE	
		B	Through the proposed Hospital Working Group (see Policy E1), encourage hospital campuses to dedicate portions of their properties to community food gardens.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DEDO	CPD	
		C	Support innovative grocery models, like grocery on wheels (see profile on Any Street Grocery), particularly in areas of limited healthy food access.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DDPHE	CPD	
Q15	Support initiatives that address food insecurity.	A	Implement recommendations from Colorado Blueprint to End Hunger, Closing the SNAP Gap in Denver, and Strengthening Denver's Food Rescue Ecosystem.	Service/Program	Long Term - 6+ years	DDPHE	CPD	
		B	Expand the capacity, efficiency, and public awareness of East Central food banks and food rescue networks in accordance with citywide efforts.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DDPHE		
Q16	Increase access to low-cost healthcare in East Central.	A	Partner with Denver Health to deploy more free or reduced cost mobile clinics to East Central area neighborhoods with higher rates of Delayed Medical Care Due to Cost, including City Park West, North Capitol Hill, Capitol Hill, and Congress Park.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	Denver Health	DDPHE	
		B	Increase awareness and utilization of new and existing public health resources by East Central residents, particularly preventative care and mental health services.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DDPHE		
		C	Integrate preventative health care with other services and programs, such as housing and food access initiatives. For example, pursue partnerships with East Central hospitals to offer basic healthcare services at food retail locations.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	DDPHE	DEDO
Q17	Incorporate design elements that create welcoming and inclusive environments in public spaces.	A	Establish a process to ensure that implementation of the following strategies is led by the community, including identifying which spaces they want to transform and how.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	CPD	Mayor's Office of Equity and Social Innovation	
		B	Provide adequate street lighting, including pedestrian scale lighting, prioritizing areas designated as Pedestrian Enhanced areas in Blueprint Denver, along the High Injury Network (HIN) designated in Denver's Vision Zero Action Plan, and along streets designated as pedestrian priority in this plan	Infrastructure	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		C	Implement targeted maintenance and improvements along Colfax Avenue	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI		
		D	Encourage public art.	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	Denver Arts and Venues	CPD	
		E	Partner with BIDs, RTD, and other organizations to construct and maintain public restrooms at appropriate locations, including mobility hubs (see Policy M8).	Service/Program	Short Term - 0-5 years	DOTI	CPD	