



City Council Quality of Life Vision

Leveraging our Strengths and Enhancing Quality of Life for All

Our vision includes seven key elements that we believe will enhance the quality of life in our city:

Interdependent neighborhoods for a vibrant community

We are firmly committed to doing what we can to provide the opportunity for all residents to experience a greater sense of “community”. Our use of the word interdependent is meant to create an image of neighborhoods where neighbors feel safe, know each other and are genuinely willing to reach out and offer help to one another.

Inviting outdoor places created as stewards of our natural resources

Our parks, trails and outdoor spaces are highly valued assets of our community. We intend to leverage this strength by protecting our natural areas in ways that are both inviting and environmentally sound. We take our responsibility as stewards of these resources very seriously.

Investment and encouragement for vital housing stock

We care that all residents of our city have the opportunity to feel a sense of pride in ownership and we will invest in and encourage the continuation of the existing, life-cycle housing supply that meets the needs of all of our residents and creates a community where people want to live.

Vibrant business community

Successful businesses are important to our community because they provide goods and services, as well as job opportunities, for our citizens. We want our businesses to be profitable, well-served by the city services they receive for their tax dollars, and active members of the community.

Functional, well designed and inviting infrastructure

Attractive and well-designed streets, trails and parks, lighting and signage can add value to homeowners and are critical to an attractive community. They also encourage our citizens and visitors to easily and safely walk and bike throughout our community.

A city campus that promotes community

Our City Hall, U.S. Post Office and Anoka County Library buildings, as well as the adjacent park and gardens, provide an attractive, efficient place for residents to access valuable public services. With the Library possibly moving out in a couple years, we need to consider how best to adapt the “campus” to continue meeting community needs into the future.

Enhanced city image and earning a higher level of trust

Our community has a rich history, an abundance of beautiful natural surroundings, and a stable, progressive city government. We want to better communicate that Circle Pines is a truly special place to live, and earn a higher level of trust in government by providing valuable public services in a friendly, cost-effective and innovative manner.