

## **Appendix F**

### **Related Regional Planning Initiatives**

There are multiple regional planning efforts that informed development of Imagine Austin and will be implemented in parallel. These efforts require coordination between the City of Austin, neighboring municipalities, the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO), the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG), businesses, and organizations going forward.

**Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 2035 Regional Transportation Plan.** This plan seeks to develop a regional transportation system that improves economic opportunity, quality of life, and environmental stewardship. The 2035 Regional Transportation Plan builds on the vision set by Envision Central Texas to direct new growth to compact activity centers for jobs, housing, and services, connected by both roads and transit. This integrated land-use/transportation approach represents a significant shift for the 5-County Central Texas region. This plan is a critical tool as the region works to ensure transportation investments are effectively coordinated and efficiently implemented.

**Austin Strategic Mobility Plan.** This planning effort focuses on short and long-term transportation needs and new and improved alternatives to driving alone. The Austin Strategic Mobility Plan includes mobility corridor studies to identify ways to improve safety, increase mobility and accessibility for drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users, and create better regional connections. The corridor planning studies include selected mixed-use corridors illustrated on the Growth Concept Map (Figure 4.4). The Strategic Mobility Plan also established a new prioritization project for Austin's mobility investments that scores how well projects meet community objectives, such as mobility choices and environmental stewardship, to evaluate all transportation spending.

**Sustainable Places Project.** The Capital Area Council of Governments, working with a consortium of regional and local stakeholders, was awarded a federal Sustainable Communities Planning Grant to plan future development at activity centers (identified in the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan) throughout the region. The project uses an innovative model for planning future development that integrates economic development opportunities and housing choices with mobility. The Sustainable Places project provides technical assistance at selected activity centers to support communities in understanding the fiscal and economic impact of different development approaches. Results of the demonstration site projects help to inform Imagine Austin's implementation.

**Capital Area Council of Governments Greenprint for Growth.** The Texas Greenprint for Growth is a tool that combines community stakeholder input about conservation goals and priorities with Geographic Information Systems mapping and modeling technology to produce graphic illustrations highlighting opportunity areas for conservation that meet multiple goals. Working with individual counties, the Capital Area Council of Governments has completed conservation priority reports for Central Texas, Travis County, Bastrop County, and Hays County.

**Community Action Network Community Dashboard.** The Community Action Network is a public-private partnership to track and monitor key indicators measuring socioeconomic well-being in Austin and Travis County. Yearly reports summarize how the region is performing, or where we stand on each indicator, and describe ongoing initiatives to improve each of the indicators.