



TOWN OF AUGUSTA

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

MEETING SUMMARY FROM FUTURE LAND USE WORKSHOP

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2010, DAN KEMNER BUILDING

- Hilary Murphy, the planning consultant, started the meeting by presenting the town's new Existing Land Use (Figure 1) and Zoning Map (Figure 2, page 2). The town's new maps are now in geographic information systems (GIS) format and available electronically.
- Hilary asked that people take time to review the maps for any errors. Specifically, there are several areas on the zoning map (currently shown in gray) that are within in the town limits that are in need of a zoning designation.
- Hilary then had workshop attendees split into three groups, one group sitting at each of the three tables.

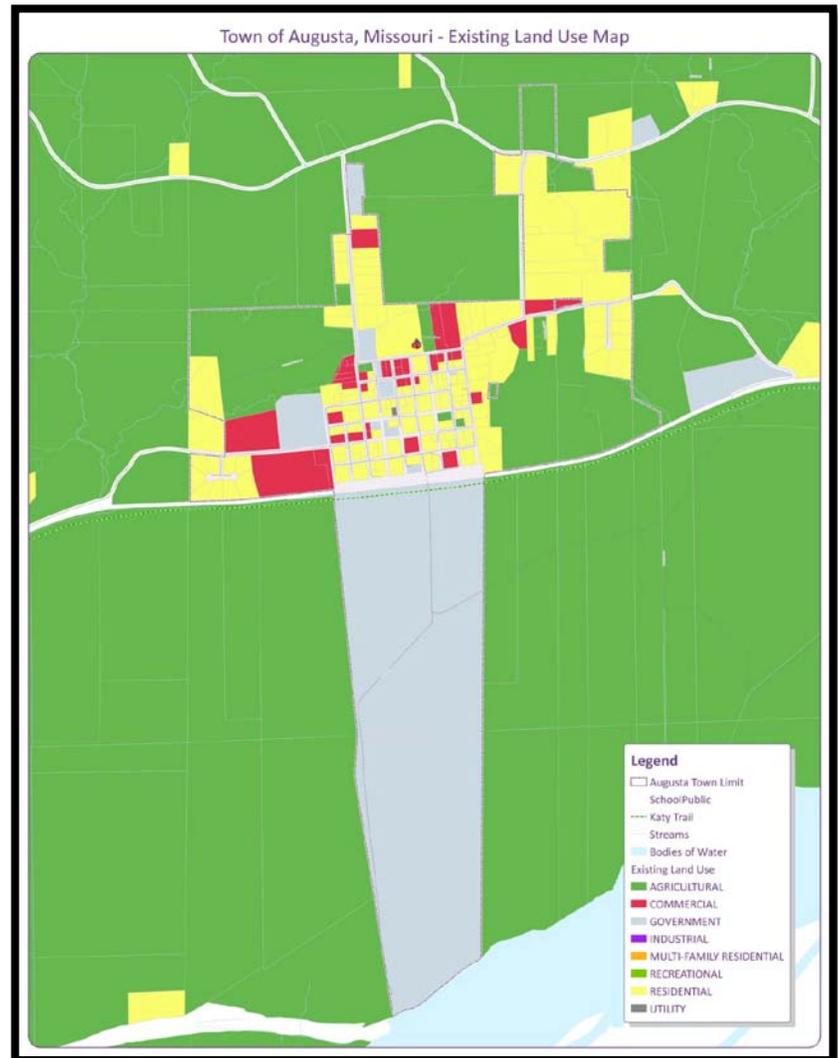


Figure 1 - Existing Land Use Map

Each table was presented with an Existing Land Use map, a proposed future land use legend (see Figure 3, page 2) and colored markers.

- Each group was instructed to develop their own future land use maps for the town, depicting how they would like to see the town develop in the next 10 to 15 years, by using the various colors to represent the various future land uses.
- After the groups spent about 30 minutes discussing issues and marking up their maps, one spokesperson from each group reported the findings of their group and explained why they marked up the map as they did. See the following pages for group maps and summaries.

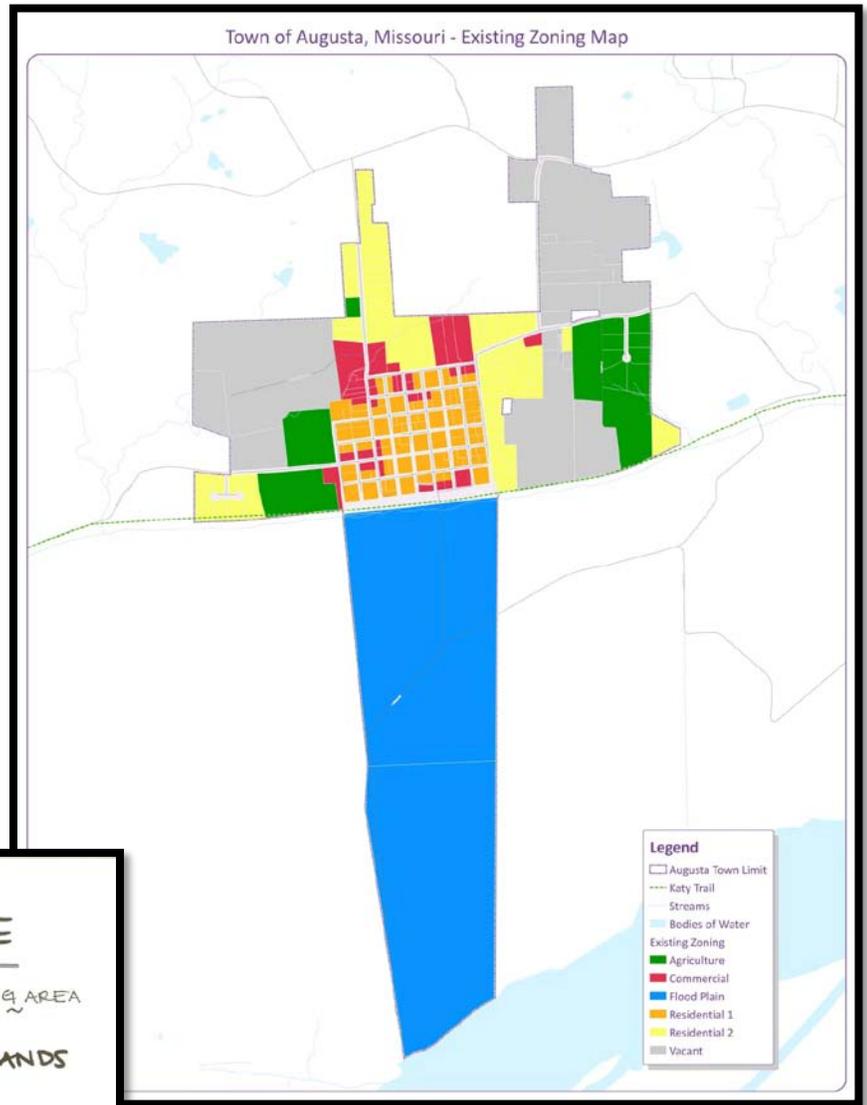


Figure 2 - Existing Zoning

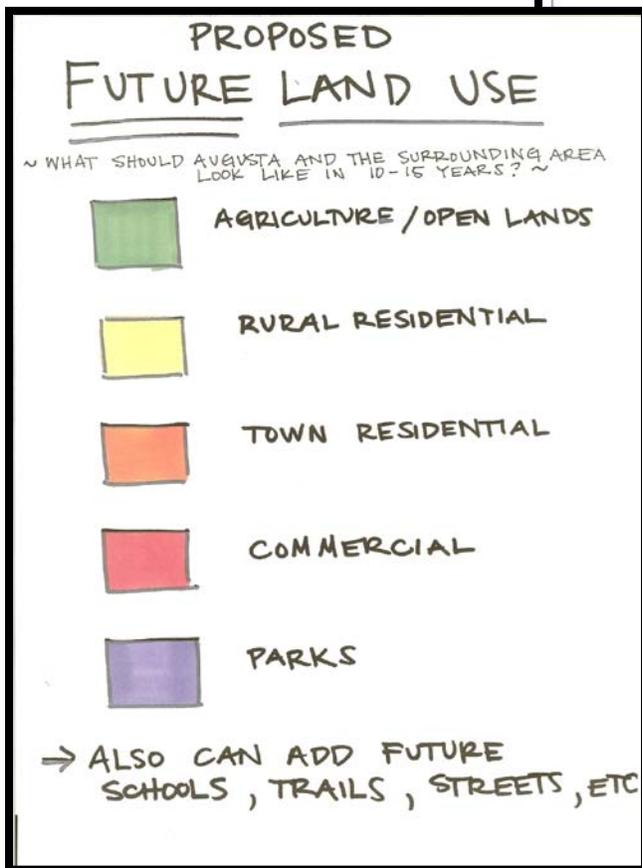


Figure 3 - Proposed Future Land Use Legend

GROUP MAPS AND FINDINGS

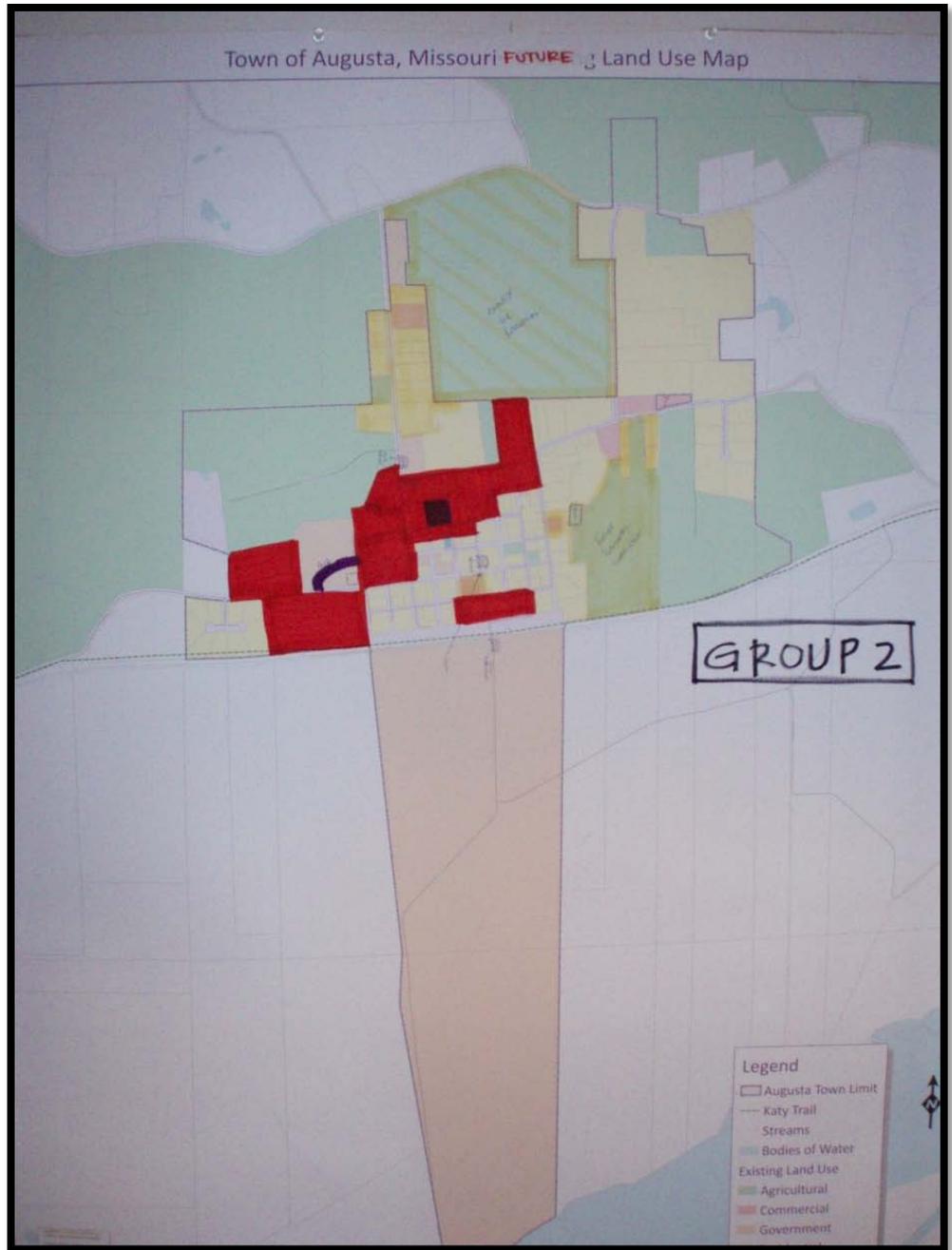
GROUP I COMMENTS SUMMARY

- Group I did not do a lot of shading on their map, but wrote down their ideas instead
- They were in favor a “planned community” that had clearly defined boundaries
- They would like to see a “vital” commercial district in town
- They would also like to see a historic district
- Other ideas included:
 - Provide access from Katy Trail to Town Park
 - Protect history and buildings
 - Keep centennial farms
 - Address issue of empty home and buildings
 - Preserve 1st wine hall
 - Preserve old hotel
 - Runway for aviation
 - Boat landing



GROUP 2 COMMENTS SUMMARY

- Group 2 was in support of clearly defined commercial districts (see areas shaded red on map) that are connected by paths or other means as well as clearly defined residential areas (see areas shaded yellow, this includes the northern area of town that flanks Jackson Street)
- They were in favor of annexing the land to the north of town between Jackson and Church into the town
- They felt the vacant land east of Lower Street and south of Casey Farm Lane (see area shaded in yellow over green) should become residential
- They proposed installing bridges in several areas around town to help provide better connections throughout the town
- They also identified two parcels on the map that indicate they are not incorporated into the town, these areas need further research



GROUP 3 SUMMARY

- Group 3 felt that the town should maintain the current/historical land use pattern of the town that is a “patchwork” of land uses
- They did *not* want to see any specific commercial or residential districts established
- They identified several areas they felt would be good locations for future parks (see areas shaded purple), including an area along the river
- They also identified a potential trail that would connect the Katy Trail, a proposed park, and skirt the stream bank through town

