## Cozad, Nebraska Comprehensive Plan/Zoning Regulations



The Cozad Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Update was started in the summer of 2014.

The planning team includes Marvin Planning Consultants, Olsson Associates and MindMixer. The updates are the first full updates in nearly 20 years. The team was selected based upon their community planning background and experience as well as their understanding of economic development.

Cozad's previous plan was completed approximately 15 years prior. In 2008, Cozad had seen the closure of a major manufacturing employer. However, the community saw considerably less impact on the community and its economy from the closure. Cozad, as part of this project, looked to create a vision for the future including economic development activities.

During the planning process, the City was forced to demolish the older, historic theater building in downtown. The Comprehensive Plan also included a Sub-area plan for downtown. The Sub-area looked at the possibility of developing a destination park for the downtown area (as seen on the right).

## Items to Address:

There are several issues the new plan and regulations needed to be addressed:

- Strongly based around economic development strategies and policies
- The regulations brought up to date and include a number of approaches and items that were not present when the existing regulations were put in place
- Look seriously at redevelopment and growth strategies for the community.







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In Progress