Land Use and Transportation (LUT) Policies

LUT P1. Align land use and transportation planning and decision-making to achieve a compact and connected city in line with the growth Concept map.

LUT P4. Protect neighborhood character by directing growth to areas of change that include designated redevelopment areas, corridors, and infill sites. Recognize that different neighborhoods have different characteristics, and infill and new development should be sensitive to the predominant character of these communities.

LUT P6. Ensure that neighborhoods of modest means have a mix of local-serving retail, employment opportunities, and residential uses.

LUT P8. Develop land development regulations and standards that are clear and predictable and support the intent and goals of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

LUT P9. Develop and maintain consistent fiscal policies to direct public investments associated with growth and development to implement Imagine Austin.

LUT P10. Direct housing and employment growth to activity centers and corridors, preserving and integrating existing affordable housing where possible.
Housing and Neighborhood (HN) Policies

HN P1. Distribute a variety of housing types throughout the City to expand the choices available to meet the financial and lifestyle needs of Austin’s diverse population.

HN P4. Connect housing to jobs, child care, schools, retail, and other amenities and services needed on a daily basis...

HN P5. Promote a diversity of land uses throughout Austin to allow a variety of housing types including rental and ownership opportunities for singles, families...

HN P10. Create complete neighborhoods across Austin that have a mix of housing types and land uses, affordable housing and transportation options, and access to healthy food, schools, retail, employment, community services, and parks and recreation options.

HN P11. Protect neighborhood character by directing growth to areas of change and ensuring context sensitive infill in such locations as designated redevelopment areas, corridors, and infill sites.

HN P14. Strengthen planning processes by recognizing that the Comprehensive plan and small-area plans, such as neighborhood plans, corridor plans, and station area plans, need to respect, inform, and draw from each other.

HN P15. Protect neighborhood character by providing opportunities for existing residents who are struggling with rising housing costs to
Society (S) Policies

S P3. Encourage more active lifestyles through new and redevelopment that supports walking and bicycling. Locate retail, services, and public facilities such as parks, health services, and libraries in or near neighborhoods to reduce traffic congestion and contribute to an improved sense of community.

S P7. Provide broad access to fresh foods, local farmers markets, co-ops, grocery stores, community gardens, and healthy restaurants in neighborhoods.

S P12. Increase the variety of housing options (such as the types of housing and number of bedrooms) to meet the needs of family and non-traditional households, including

S P13. Provide opportunities for seniors and other persons to live in affordable housing that meets their specific needs and in neighborhoods that allow them to safely travel to and access their daily needs.

S P20. Enact land use and other planning policies that enhance the quality of life for families with children and promote family-friendly neighborhoods and services.

S P21. Increase dense, compact family-friendly housing in the urban core by creating standards and guidelines that encourage private interests to create more family-friendly development.

S P28. Collaborate with school districts, public, and private entities to create joint-use partnerships at existing and new public school campuses.