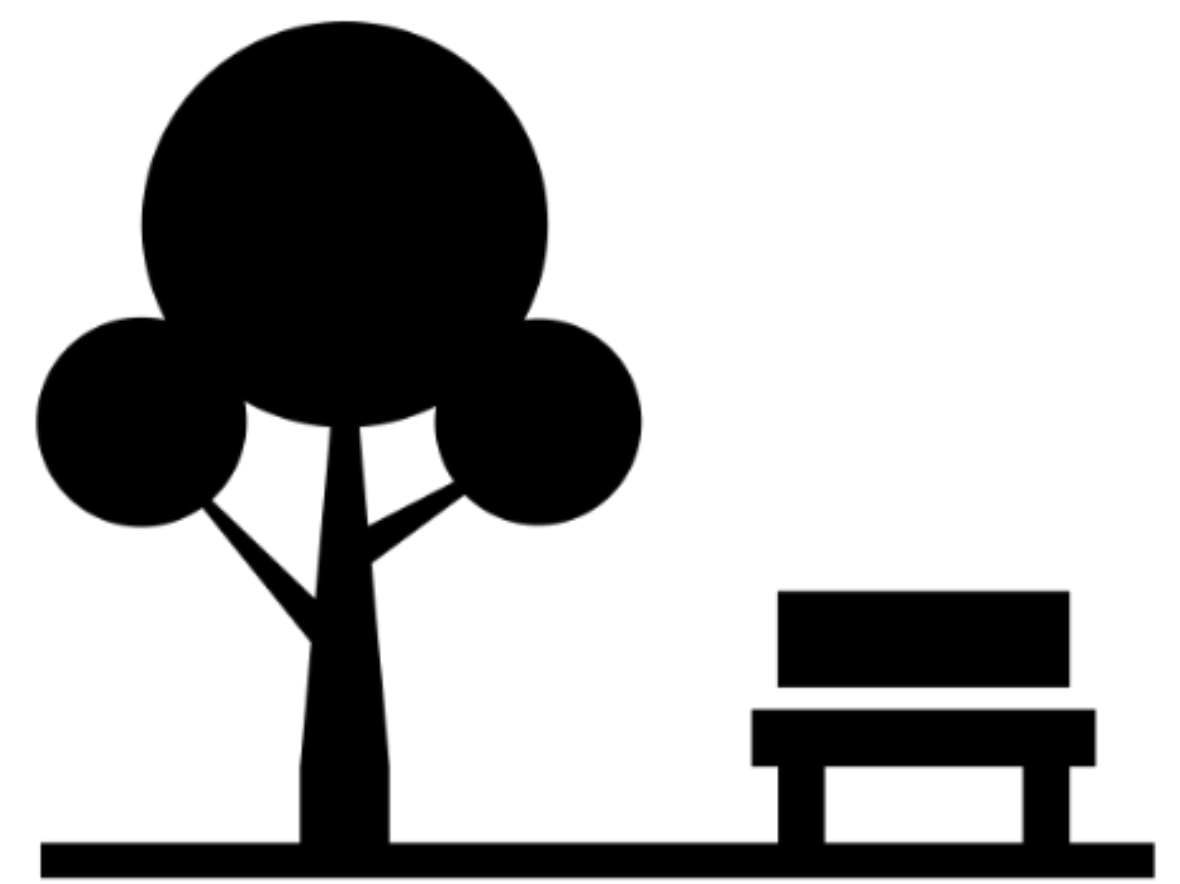
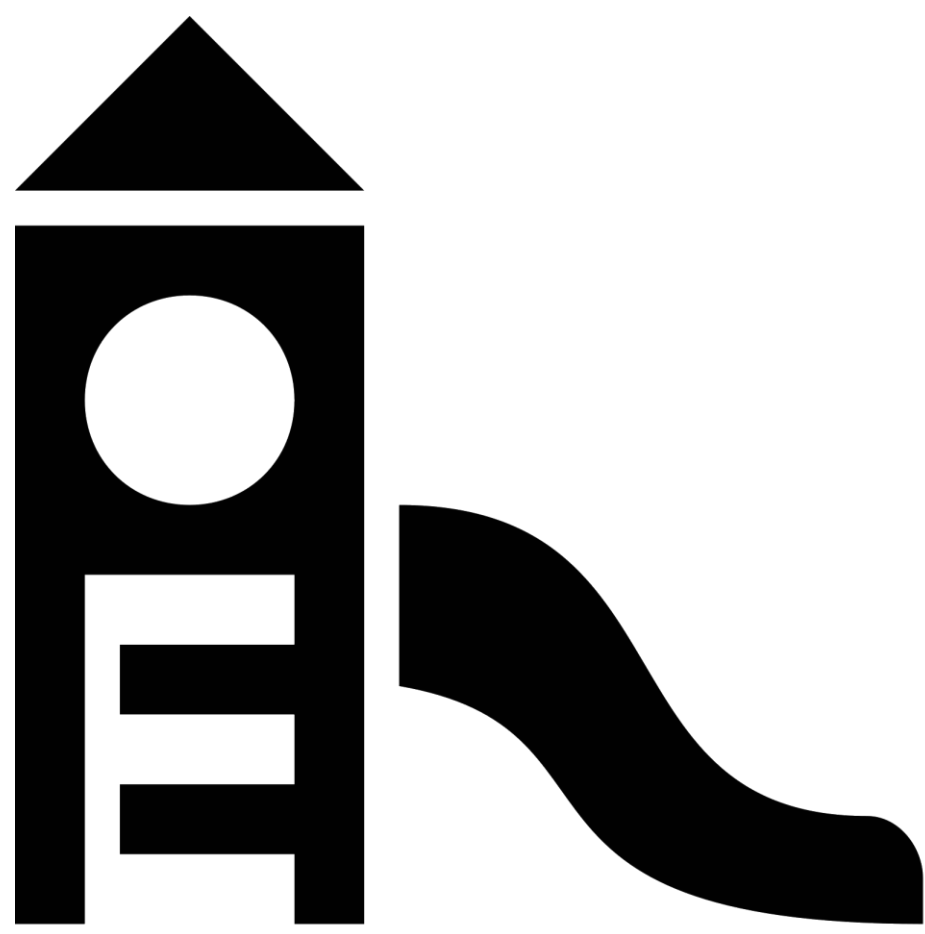


COMMUNITY FACILITIES

1. Provide and support community service and infrastructure

1. Ensure City Hall and staff are accessible
2. Maintain and expand infrastructure
3. Coordinate with local services
 - Plant more trees
 - Work with schools to combine school/parks and city parks
 - Consider alternative solution to softball field and practice field issue
 - Tool lending library



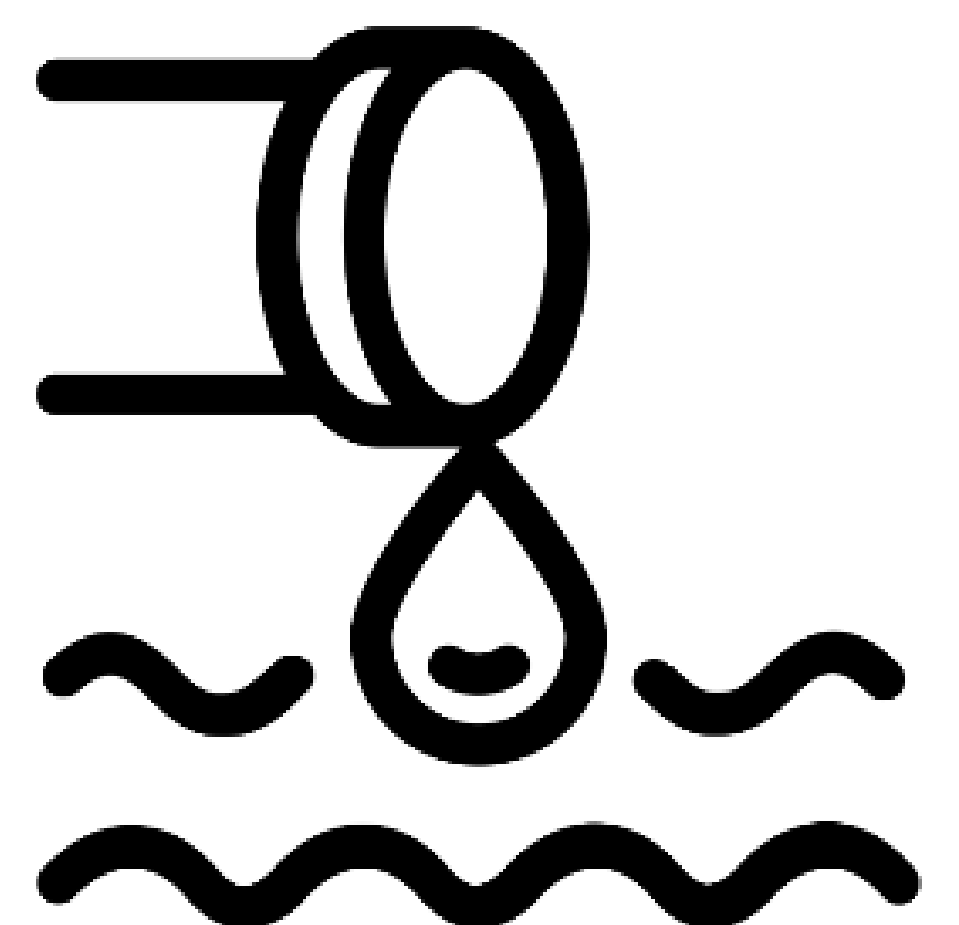
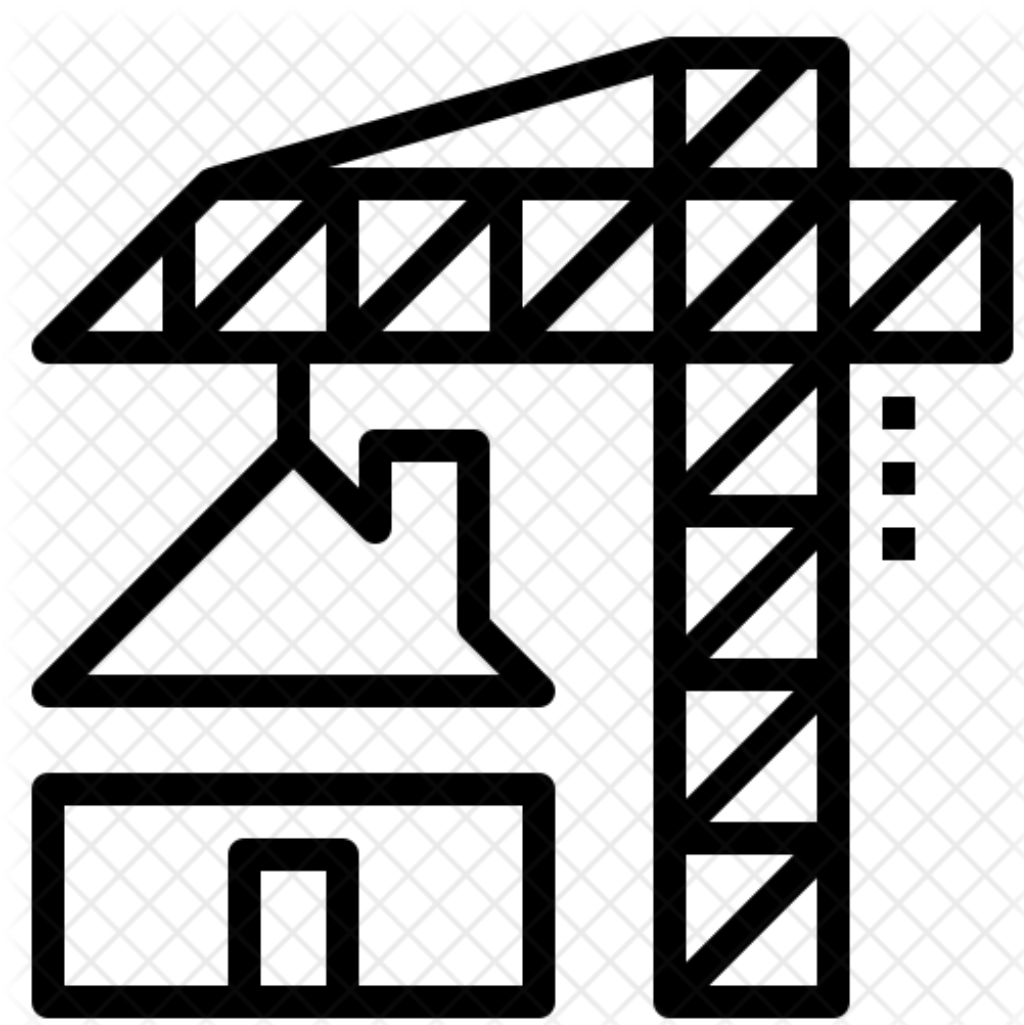
2. Provide recreational infrastructure to encourage and promote community recreation and public health

1. Maintain existing parks while expanding recreational facilities
2. Ensure recreational facilities comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
3. Incorporate pocket parks into existing and future neighborhoods
 - Small pocket park on the north side of town

LAND USE

1. Encourage future growth that maintains the qualities of small town life

1. Identify areas for growth and annexation that fit future land use goals
2. Zone future growth areas to balance residential and commercial growth
3. Maintain historic nature of Downtown
 - Propose “future” land uses for unincorporated areas to promote new development and to avoid having to amend this plan so often



2. Enforce sustainable land use regulations

1. Encourage new development where infrastructure is already present
2. Support development that promotes a sustainable and efficient use of resources
 - Focus more on design of site, structures, access, and public improvements rather than land use/allow more flexible mixed use options, rather than single-use zoning

HOUSING

1. Diversify Housing Options

1. Allow for high-density single family homes
 2. Update code to enable more multi-family and senior housing
 3. Collaborate with developers to build more economically diverse homes
- Create incentives in exchange for density, advantages in new subdivisions
 - Smaller lots in exchange for improvements that raise the curb appeal and value of the new development
 - Underground utilities
 - Wider sidewalks
 - Street trees
 - Medians with landscaping
 - Variable setbacks
 - Don't give the farm away just to get new development- that can be worse decision than not having it at all- get something positive in exchange



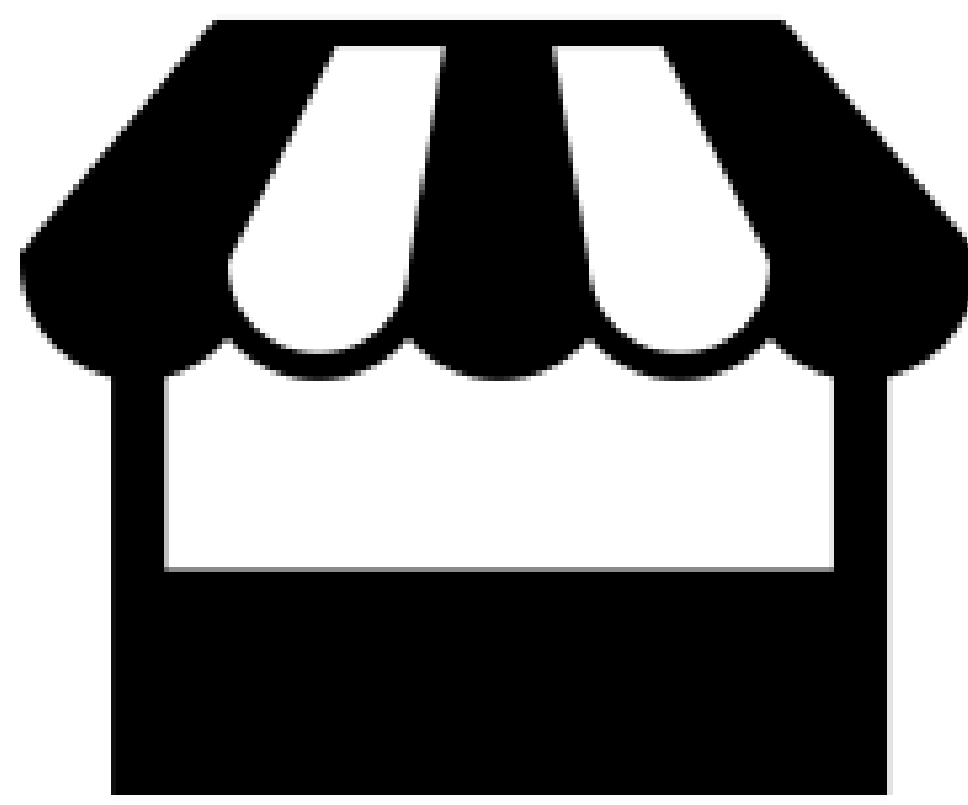
2. Improve quality of existing homes and neighborhoods

1. Enforce property maintenance codes
 2. Encourage infill residential development
 3. Continue rental inspection program
- Require certain tree types (native species) /outlaw others (i.e. Bradford Pear)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Attract new businesses

1. Attract businesses that provide residents with easy access to food
2. Continue utilizing local economic development groups for help recruiting new businesses
3. Review options for a tax abatement or small business investment program to incentivize the establishment of new businesses



*focus on small town appeal- establish standards that set Billings apart from every other town in Southwest Missouri.

- Landscaping (minimal)
- Signage (minimal)
- Landscaping on Hwy
- Don't be UGLY

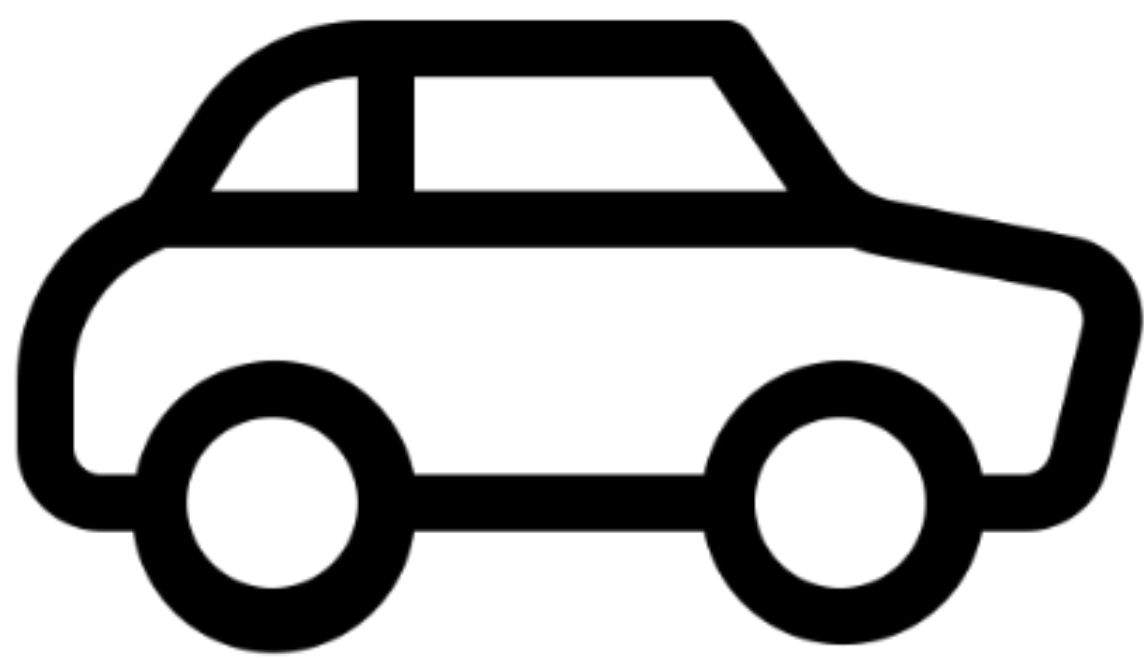
2. Support existing businesses

1. Continue supporting groups that organize events to encourage citizens to shop at Billings businesses
2. Review options for creating a Community Improvement District (CID)

TRANSPORTATION

1. Maintain and enhance the current transportation system

1. Develop a formal street maintenance program
2. Discourage cul-de-sacs and other dead-end streets in new subdivisions
3. Maintain local traffic flow
 - Work with MoDOT to plan trees along right-of-way to encourage curb appeal
 - Consider narrower streets in exchange for wider sidewalks, street trees, and enhancements
 - Formal bike lanes on busier streets



2. Provide alternative modes of transportation

1. Work with Christian County to educate citizens about OATS
2. Develop a connected sidewalk system throughout Billings
3. Review opportunities for regional trail connections
 - Pass a sidewalk tax
 - Whose responsibility is it to repair/replacement sidewalks- city or homeowner

COMMUNITY IDENTITY

1. Increase the overall sense of community

1. Develop a community brand
 2. Sponsor additional events
 3. Expand Neighborhood Watch program
- Set a vision
 - Establish and commit to standards that set Billings apart from other towns in SWMO
 - Brainstorm on what those characteristics are and adopt standards (commercial and residential) to require new development to achieve the vision.

