

Downtown Lincoln Master Plan | Working Groups, Committees, Boards Themes & Summary Notes

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Committee and Working Group meetings with a total of 125 participants were held on February 26-28 and April 10-11. Groups included: 1) Project Committee, 2) DLA Board, 3) Vibrant Economy Working Group, 4) Public Realm & Urban Design Working Group, 5) Housing & Livability Working Group, 6) Transportation Working Group, and 7) Downtown Experience Working Group.

Common Themes/ Highest Rated Improvements:

Group	Improvements to Downtown (# of votes)
Project Committee (27 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Livable (15) • Innovative (11) • Destination (11) • Safe (9)
DLA Board (34 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A kid-friendly downtown – parks/playgrounds/green space; places for youth sports; activation of Centennial/Lincoln Malls; more daycare options (17) • Housing options (15) • Convention center (10) • New corporate HQs (like Hudl’s) (9)
Vibrant Economy Working Group (11 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New central library – a family center, community center, with meeting, gathering, and maker spaces; a development catalyst (8+2) • Parking management and connectivity between (i.e., shuttles) (5+2) • Activation of ground floors – more artisanal spaces/small spaces; service providers (6) • A diversity of housing downtown for all ages and all types (6)
Public Realm/Urban Design Working Group (14 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amenities and services – grocery, medical, hardware, daycare (12) • Green space – family- and pet-friendly (8+1) • New central library (2+6) • Greater general density (6)
Housing & Livability Working Group (14 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing for the missing middle (10) • Catalyst projects – Pershing, post office, police station, blocks 2 and 3 redevelopments (7) • More parking options and better management (6) • <i>Tie:</i> Transit loop; additional active green space; year-round market (4)
Transportation Working Group (12 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intersection treatments for pedestrians – e.g., connections across 9th and 10th (9) • Car-free zones in Haymarket (5) • New and improved bus terminal hub (4) • North-south protected bike lanes (4)
Downtown Experience Working Group (13 attendees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activating our outdoor spaces – more flexible and programmable outdoor spaces; rethink the wide ROWs; more green space (19) • New and enhanced Library – with activated space (8) • Kid-friendly downtown – festivals and cultural events; outdoor play areas; unique schooling options such as magnet schools; daycare options (6)