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| Comments highlighted in green have significance for the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Plan | | |
| | 1 | Bike trail through town and trail head |
| | 2 | Event center |
| | 3 | Downtown as a destination for engagement in food, arts, shops, movies. |
| | 4 | Park party |
| | 5 | Pass through from parking to Central Ave to help create wayfinding/placemaking from parking to key attractions |
| | 6 | Basketball and pickleball courts |
| | 7 | Bike trail connection under railroad track at North Alexander; tent camping at Teepee Tonka Trail head in downtown Faribault; develop bike trail to Medford-Owatonna, connected to City trail at SW Faribault |
| | 8 | Community Center (off the map) |
| Not associated with dot on the map | 9 | Establish a large activity center - exercise, hockey, swimmers, meetings, etc. for youth and community members, similar to Genoveva Chavez Community Center in Santa Fe, New Mexico |
| Not associated with dot on the map | 10 | Virtues park between river and apartments and ravine; 20 signs that promote peace, unity, patience, and character |
| | 11 | Clean-up old public works site |
| | 12 | More areas for small pocket gardens - to beautify, create pollinator habitat use for teaching gardening, i.e. veggles |
| | 13 | Community gardens for growing vegetables |
| | 14 | Develop storefronts that are functional and profitable |
| | 15 | Canoe access to Straight River at old ship area down stream from railroad bridge |
| | 16 | Require businesses open 7 days, 7am-10pm, like the mall - consistent hours |
| | 17 | Owner of downtown EMPTY buildings needs to fix them up and fill with interesting shops |
| | 18 | Brand new Bethlehem Academy building. The school is crumbling and dated. The school needs new elements to fit these times, not the 1800s. |
| | 19 | Hobby store |
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| | 22 | To feel safer when walking/shopping downtown on Central Ave. When we moved here in 1994, I had no problem going by myself. But now, due to persons (mostly males) loitering around, I don't go unless I have someone else with me. |
| | 23 | Arcade / youth center |
| | 24 | Band stadium |
| | 25 | Vibrant shopping - numerous shops in a building downtown |
| | 26 | Workout stations for all ages to walk, run, bike, skate from park/station to park-station. Outdoor year-round equipment. |
| | 27 | Pedestrian Mall (between 3rd and Central) |
| | 28 | Downtown parking --> restoration --> fill storefronts --> make welcoming! |
| | 29 | Active riverfront use/commerce/recreation located close to old City garage |
| | 30 | Convert TeePee Tonka Park to a camp ground |
| | 31 | Host a variety of festivals - art, music, car shows, etc. - attract visitors to the city and bost the economy |
| | 32 | Bring more businesses and commerce to town - make it easier for them to relocate to our town |
| | 33 | New Community Center - open space by Straight River, develop community use area |
| | 34 | I wish for a street full of vibrant and diverse businesses such that I can walk down the street for a couple hours on a Saturday morning, shopping |
| | 35 | No empty buildings! Reimagine old Monty's building on corner of ravine: collaborative drop-in office space, food court (a la Faneuil Hall in Boston), event hall, etc. Combination use space! |
| | 36 | More little shops (craft...) on Central Ave |
| | 37 | An urban playground for skate boarders and bikes. Maybe also an area with a climbing wall - think teens getting outside! |
| Not associated with dot on the map | 38 | Widest possible diversity participation in the process |
| | 39 | Downtown parking needs to be re-addressed - 3 hour limits may not be the answer |
| | 40 | Zoo! This boy would like a zoo. Maybe summer petting zoo for kids in park |
| Not associated with dot on the map | 41 | Sculpture garden |
| | 42 | The downtown has an iconic identity that is instantly recognizable from a distance |
| | 43 | A public garden |
| | 44 | Arcade, skate rink, cultural arts center, community graden, winter skate rink |
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| | 47 | Get our kids ready for a career and college...more collaboration with SCC and FHS. |
| | 48 | Develop a river walk; more free parking downtown; bike fix-it station at Peace Park, library, or Parks+Rec |
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| | 57 | More restaurants, arts & entertainment |
| | 58 | Places to connect restaurants with sidewalk seating. Pocket parks and trails that connect to downtown. Our old beautiful trees that used to get cut get replaced. |
| | 59 | Shopping - family clothing stores |
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| | 61 | Downtown Straight River park.) |
| | 62 | Finish trail to Northfield, East Nerstrand |
| | 63 | Connect downtown the the river |
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| | 65 | Wider sidewalks along Central Avenue and/or close a block or two and make a pedestrian mall and plaza |
| | 66 | Trail connection into Teepee Tonka Park |
| | 67 | Food truck park: kayak station - rent a spot |
| | 68 | Better lighting, more attractive parking lots and backs of buildings. Better dumpster monitoring and enclosures. |
| | 69 | Move green space downtown for pedestrians and tenants - pocket parks |
| | 70 | We have a lot happening and tons to see. We need a professional promoter: a person, company, or agency to organize the show. |
| | 71 | Allow more upscale apartments in upper levels of downtown buildings |
| | 72 | Connect bike trail through downtown |
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| Not associated with dot on the map | 74 | Benches on Central |
| | 75 | Need neighborhood schools |
| | 76 | Diversity murals that represent the community |
| | 77 | More flowers and green all over downtown |
| | 78 | A place to hang out for youth |
| | 79 | Water fountain |
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| | 81 | More pocket gardens |
| | 84 | Public art!!!! |
| | 85 | Restore ghost murals |
| | 87 | Park under viaduct |
| | 88 | Rooftop patios |
| | 89 | No parking ramps |
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| | 99 | Block on east side of Straight River and 3rd Ave NE - if city could obtain property, converting it to riverside park (area from foot bridge south to Teepee Tonka Park) |
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| Total responses | 71 | |