



# VISION STATEMENT

## **Vision Statement:**

Medina seeks to provide a safe, healthy and sustainable community for present and future residents through efficient and effective service, while retaining its rural heritage and promoting recreational, residential and business activities.

## **Strategies:**

### Safety

Medina is committed to protecting the life and property of its residents, businesses, and visitors. Public Safety personnel are highly trained, responsive and efficient in deterring and apprehending offenders and in maintaining safety on Medina's roads. The City works with its police force and coordinates with its contracted volunteer fire departments to maximize emergency response.

### Health and Recreation

Medina plans future parks; maintains and upgrades existing parks with different functions for recreation, sport and exercise and for enjoyment of nature, and recognizes the significance of Morris T. Baker Park to residents' out-door experience. The City develops and maintains trails throughout the community to connect neighborhoods and to encourage walking, jogging and bicycling.

### Natural Environment

Medina preserves its rural character to the greatest extent possible by identifying ecologically significant natural features and natural greenway corridors on City maps, providing incentives for conservation-design and for protection of natural features. The City seeks to raise awareness among residents for good land stewardship to reduce nutrient loading to water bodies, thereby improving water quality in impaired lakes. Medina plans orderly east to west urbanization along existing infrastructure.

### Housing

Medina plans for a diversity of housing, including single-family, town homes and multi-family dwellings to support the long-term livability of the community. Mixed-use development and compact neighborhoods are planned in proximity to the existing hamlets of Uptown Hamel and Loretto, and in urban areas as they develop along the Highway 55 growth corridor. Neighborhoods are designed to be pedestrian-friendly and to promote a sense of community.

### Business

Medina encourages an attractive, vibrant business community along the Highway 55 corridor, in Uptown Hamel and where Highway 12 intersects with County Road 19. The City pursues this goal by establishing an Economic Development Authority, partnering in grant opportunities, building connections with the business community and promoting innovative concepts that govern commercial development.



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## Finance

Medina maintains financial stability by prudent budget setting, supporting a diversified tax base, retaining a skilled staff and adhering to long-range financial management in five-year Capital Improvement Plans (CIP.) The City saves cost by sharing equipment and services with surrounding cities, where feasible, and by continuously refining the cost effectiveness of service delivery.

## Infrastructure

Medina provides a safe and sufficient water supply in urban areas by planning future water infrastructure and maintaining existing water storage, treatment and water main facilities. Medina is committed to a policy of maintaining City roads and all other infrastructure in a state of good repair in order to save expensive rehabilitation costs. This strategy is achieved through long-range budgeting and planning a cycle of maintenance and upgrades of infrastructure in the City's CIP, and by limiting heavy truck use on local roads.

## Service

Medina provides exceptional services through personable, innovative staff members.

Questions on the City of Medina's vision statement can be directed to City Administrator Scott Johnson at 763-473-8840 or email [scott.johnson@ci.medina.mn.us](mailto:scott.johnson@ci.medina.mn.us).