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Public involvement key to General Plan workshop Wednesday

LODI – The first in a series of citywide workshops aimed at creating a plan for Lodi’s future is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, at Kirst Hall in Hutchins Street Square.

Participants in the two-hour “Issues and Visioning” workshop will be asked to identify their vision of Lodi in the year 2025, prioritize issues and offer ideas and challenges for Lodi. Emerging themes and broad areas of consensus will be used as a starting point for city planners in updating the General Plan, Lodi’s blueprint for future growth.

Workshop attendees will break into groups and prioritize issues in areas such as land use, community design and transportation, as well as discuss attributes that will set Lodi apart from other communities in 2025.

Community members are invited to an open house beginning at 6 p.m., during which they can review city maps and other documents related to the update of Lodi’s General Plan.

More information about the General Plan update is available from the Lodi Community Development Department at (209) 333-6711 or online at www.lodi.gov/community_development/general_plan/.

Lodi last updated its General Plan in 1991. All cities are required by state law to adopt general plans, which cover topics from growth to jobs and environmental quality. The updated plan is scheduled for adoption by the Lodi City Council in late 2008.

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