

LAND USE RECOMMENDATIONS

Strategy Recommendation Priority Timeframe Next Steps

Principle 1: Promote a resilient and civically engaged community.

Recommendation 1.1: Create a Neighborhood Association

1.1.1	Add the Neighborhood Association to the notification list for all zoning/construction in the area. Notify members of upcoming cases.	M	S	Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to create a notification list for all members BNA to create a series of next steps when upcoming cases occur BNA to work with city planning staff to understand Berrytown's concerns with upcoming cases
1.1.2	Add civically engaged community members to the notification list for all zoning/construction in the area.	L	L	All parties to promote the link to the city email subscriptions for notifications https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/KYLOUISVILLE/subscriber/new

Principle 2: Support and encourage Berrytown's historic housing legacy.

Recommendation 2.1: Promote the continuation of home ownership.

2.1.1	Seek developers and developments that increase home ownership for residents.	H	S/L	BNA to seek out builders and developers that will work with the Neighborhood Association BNA to identify project partners All parties to identify funding sources
2.1.2	Encourage infill housing and improvements that build value and are contextually sensitive to the surrounding community.	M	M/L	BNA to review housing types and typical dimensions for Berrytown BNA to identify project partners All parties to identify funding sources
2.1.3	Establish Community Land Trust status with leadership from the neighborhood	M	M/L	Community Land Trust (CLT), able to take on land to ensure community stewardship, affordability, and sustainability in the neighborhood
2.1.4	Promote and maintain existing single-family character throughout the residential zoning of Berrytown	M	M/L	BNA to promote the continuation of the rural, single-family character found throughout the Berrytown community

Recommendation 2.2: Work with various partners to decrease the number of vacant and abandoned properties.

2.2.1	Utilize the Neighborhood Association's 501(c)3 status to purchase and clean up abandoned properties.	H	O	BNA to identify properties BNA to create a roadmap to purchase properties BNA to work with the city to rehabilitate properties
2.2.3	Invite Louisville Metro staff to learn about the root causes of vacant and abandoned properties, and discuss existing and future solutions.	H	O	BNA to learn from city staff about the VAP process and share their experiences BNA to create a series of next steps for dealing with Berrytown vacant properties BNA to intervene early in the process through rehabilitation before a property becomes rundown/vacant

Recommendation 2.3: Request a change in the LDC regarding single-family compatibility.

2.3.1	Request a change in Louisville's Land Development Code where homes be set back matching the neighborhood (LDC 5.1.12 B.2.a), rather than their low-density form causing an exemption (LDC 5.1.12 C.3) which differs from the typical form and character of the neighborhood.	L	L	BNA to work with city planning staff on the effects of the LDC on a historically low-density community City Planning staff to review the request to change or eliminate LDC 5.1.12 C.3 City Planning staff to take request to the Planning Commission for changes
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HOUSING RECOMMENDATIONS

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Principle 3: Promoting the continuation of home ownership

Recommendation 3.1: Promote and Support owner-occupied, single-family homes that are compatible with Berrytown built form

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3.1.1	Seek assistance for seniors to afford home repairs and increase energy efficiency.	H	S/L	Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to seek out home repair contractors that will work with the Neighborhood Association and the community BNA to identify other municipal partners All parties to identify funding sources
3.1.2	Encourage and properly utilize programs that help residents with increasing utility and property tax costs.	H	S/L	BNA to identify other municipal partners BNA to identify funding sources

Principle 4: Promote Berrytown as a safe, welcoming, and inclusive community

Recommendation 4.1: Promote Berrytown so new development properly identifies the location of the community

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4.1.1	Encourage new development in the neighborhood to clearly identify their location as Berrytown.	H	S/L	BNA to hold meetings with known developers in the area to discuss and inform about the Berrytown neighborhood - it's rich history and legacy

MOBILITY & CONNECTIVITY RECOMMENDATIONS

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Principle 5: Promote multi-modal connections inside the neighborhood and to the surrounding areas.				
Recommendation 5.1: Improve the vehicular transportation network to adjacent neighborhoods.				
5.1.1	Identify improvements on Heafer Road to calm traffic and create safe crossings to Berrytown Park.	M	M	Metro Works to conduct preliminary engineering study for improvements Metro Works to prioritize pedestrian safety improvements on Heafer Road
5.1.2	Consider re-opening Avoca Road to create more connectivity.	L	L	Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to research the closing of Avoca Road at the railroad tracks Metro Works to study options for safely opening the connection between Avoca Road and Ridge Road Metro Works to identify safety railroad crossing funding
5.1.3	Neighborhood-wide deal with car sales/repair impeding through traffic	L	S/L	Align city partnering agencies with BNA: Councilperson's office, Code Enforcement, and Metro Police to determine the enforcement response for on-street car parking, repair, and sales All parties to implement a neighborhood-wide response
5.1.4	Encourage new developments in and adjacent to the Berrytown neighborhood to conduct a traffic study as part of the development review process.	L	S	BNA to notify Metro Public Works and Planning Staff of request (and notify developers) BNA to request at LD&T for Category 2 & 3 plans Metro Works to review traffic study and make available to BNA prior to public hearings
5.1.5	Study the creation of right-of-way through city property at Heafer and La Grange Road. Study dedicating excess city land to a community land trust.	M	S	City surveyor working with Metro Public Works and Planning Staff Metro Works to dedicated right-of-way City to dedicate excess land to community land trust
Initiative 5.2: Improve the safety and efficiency of the pedestrian network.				
5.2.1	Create a walking path loop through Berrytown Park.	M	S	BNA and Metro Parks to identify funding sources and secure funding Metro Parks to implement proposed design
5.2.2	Create a walking path loop throughout the Berrytown neighborhood.	L	M	Align city partnering agencies: Metro Works and Councilperson's office through their funding sources City agencies to secure funding for implementing proposed enhancements City agencies to design and implement sidewalks and other improvements
5.2.3	Add sidewalks along the Fire Training Facility property on Heafer Road to connect to N English Station Road.	L	M	Align city partnering agencies: Metro Works, Fire Department, and Councilperson's office through their funding sources for implementing proposed enhancements City agencies to design and implement concept(s)
5.2.4	Create a continuous sidewalk connection to Eastpoint Business Center and Anchorage, to access amenities and employment opportunities.	L	L	Align city partnering agencies: Metro Works and Councilperson's office through their funding sources for implementing proposed enhancements City agencies to design and implement concept(s)
Initiative 5.3: Improve transit connections.				
5.3.1	Encourage TARC to investigate the timing and availability of pick up/drop offs during typical education and employment hours.	M	M	BNA to identify concerns with TARC TARC to perform a review of services TARC to implement changes that address concerns, review and check-in with BNA that the changes work
5.3.2	Study bus shelter location associated with Berrytown Park and with safe street crossing.	M	L	BNA and TARC to identify location TARC to develop design and review with neighborhood TARC to identify funding sources TARC to install shelter
5.3.3	Create a working partnership between TARC and the Neighborhood Association to promote ridership.	L	S/L	BNA to identify concerns with TARC BNA to work with TARC to create a specific, updated list of locations and times to catch a bus in Berrytown BNA to circulate the list throughout the neighborhood

BERRYTOWN PARK RECOMMENDATIONS

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Principle 6: Position Berrytown Park as a central asset in a thriving and sustainable community.

Initiative 6.1: Perform necessary maintenance in neglected areas of Berrytown Park.

6.1.1	Repair and update the "tree stump" bollards along the Berrytown Park perimeter.	L	S	Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to work with Metro Parks to implement a new perimeter system
6.1.2	Repair or replace picnic tables.	M	S	BNA to work with Metro Parks to supply a series of picnic tables for ongoing events
6.1.3	Implement drainage improvements to prevent standing water and erosion, and to maintain quality access to sidewalks.	M	M	BNA to work with Metro Parks to slope flat ground, vegetate erosion problems, and reinforce banks at sidewalk creek crossing
6.1.4	Improve basketball court surface.	H	L	BNA to work with Metro Parks to level or replace the broken, unleveled basketball surface

Initiative 6.2: Implement capital improvements, such as new features and updates, to Berrytown Park.

6.2.1	Add a Sprayground play area to Berrytown Park.	H	L	Metro Parks to work with Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to create a plan to add a Sprayground typical of other parks Metro Parks to see potential funding Metro Parks to conduct preliminary design Metro Parks to implement a Sprayground
6.2.2	Create a walking path loop around/through Berrytown Park.	M	S	Metro Parks to work with Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to create detailed plan for a loop path for exercise in Berrytown Metro Parks to see potential funding Metro Parks to conduct preliminary design Metro Parks to implement a loop path
6.2.3	Add a commemorative ballfield sign honoring local Berrytown hero.	L	M	BNA to work with Metro Parks and Metro Works Sign Department to create a sign Metro Parks to add the sign to ballfield
6.2.4	Add movable bleachers to the ball field that could also be utilized in other areas of the park, such as the basketball court.	H	M	Metro Parks to secure bleachers for Berrytown Park for ongoing ball events
6.2.5	Add a State Historical Marker to recognize the history and legacy of the Berrytown neighborhood.	H	M	BNA to create detailed historic sign plan including the text BNA to seek out funding BNA to send historic sign information to Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort for review BNA to implement Historic Sign with the Kentucky Historical Society

QUALITY OF LIFE RECOMMENDATIONS

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Principle 7: Support an engaged community with a small town feel in a forested neighborhood.

Recommendation 7.1: Preserve and enhance the historic tree canopy in Berrytown.

7.1.1	Request new development to meet or exceed the City's goal of 46% tree canopy neighborhood-wide.	H	S	Since most of the vacant lots are forested, Berrytown Neighborhood Association (BNA) to request that all new development meet or exceed the City's goal of 46% tree canopy.
7.1.2	Conduct a tree health audit for the Berrytown neighborhood.	H	L	In order to maintain a mature forested area, BNA to request that tree health will need to be studied by the City Arborist
7.1.3	Work with partners to create a tree preservation and rehabilitation program.	M	M	BNA to promote tree knowledge to rehabilitate the forest in Berrytown
7.1.4	Coordinate an annual tree and trash clean up day in the Berrytown neighborhood.	L	L	BNA to work with the City to create a yearly clean up day in order to keep the tree debris in check
7.1.5	Improve cemetery through grounds maintenance (such as Avoca Cemetery)	H	L	Align city agencies, Trees Louisville, and BNA to plant more trees to grow a new canopy

Principle 8: Strengthen the historic legacy of Berrytown.

Recommendation 8.1: Preserve and promote Berrytown's history to build pride in Berrytown's independent past.

8.1.1	Install placemaking and identity banners throughout the neighborhood, especially at gateways.	L	S	BNA, Councilperson's office and Metro Works to indicate where banners and gateways should be located through the neighborhood
8.1.2	Offer better access to social services (food pantry, TARC access, and senior activities)	H	L	BNA to locate a food pantry in the neighborhood BNA to further work with TARC on access BNA to further work with non-profits and government services to create a robust senior services
8.1.3	Add a Little Food Pantry in Berrytown.	M	M	BNA to locate a Little Food Pantry on private property adjacent to the right-of-way
8.1.4	Add a Little Library in Berrytown.	H	S	BNA to locate a Little (Book) Library on private property adjacent to the right-of-way
8.1.5	Improve cemetery through grounds maintenance (such as Avoca Cemetery)	H	L	BNA to work with land owners to restore cemeteries and maintain the grounds, even inside of TCPA where cleaning can occur as long as trees are not removed