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TO: Members of the Niwot Community
FROM: Niwot Local Improvement District Advisory Committee

Introductory Statement to Vision 2029

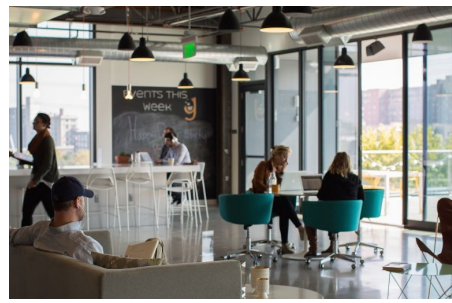
In pursuit of its own Strategic Plan goals and priorities, the Niwot LID Advisory Committee (NLIDAC) supported the Niwot Business Association in developing Niwot Vision 2029. Niwot Vision 2029 began with a 2017 survey of residents, business owners, and visitors, asking for insights on what they love about Niwot, what they don't love about Niwot, and what is missing in Niwot. Survey respondents supplied a wealth of ideas, ideas which coalesced into a "wish list" of community amenities – from a community pool to a skate park to a co-working space – which together create a network of "hubs," or activity centers, that can be connected by sidewalks and bike paths and which will become magnets for community interaction. Individually and combined, the hubs will contribute to sustaining a vibrant future for Niwot.

Niwot Vision 2029 is not a precise plan, but a concept. It is a vision, implementation of which would, as a practical matter, require a local group or individual to embrace one of the "hub" ideas and to champion that element of Vision 2029. The NLIDAC recognizes the value of Vision 2029 as an aspirational document created by the Niwot community and welcomes creative responses. At the time any component of Vision 2029 is being actively developed, a Funding Request can be submitted to the NLIDAC for discussion of project details and possible funding consideration in accord with established committee procedure.

The Niwot LID Advisory Committee appreciates and values the work of the community volunteers who developed Vision 2029. The NLIDAC sees a vibrant future ahead for Niwot and is excited to watch what can happen when volunteers, residents, and champions come together to meet the needs and desires of Niwot's residents.

NIWOT VISION:

2029



NIWOT VISION 2029

The Niwot Vision Committee was formed to look at the potential and possibilities for Niwot in 2029. We began with a survey of residents and business owners asking what they love about Niwot, what they don't love, and what is missing.

As the Committee began to work with the survey results, they quickly realized that the what is desired by residents and businesses alike is a network of HUBS. Hubs for Community interaction. The Children's Park is a fantastic example of a HUB. The Patio by Niwot Market during Friday Night dinners is another HUB. We realized that we have done a fantastic job meeting the needs of young families with the Children's Park, but offer very little for the 11-16 year olds. From the survey, we realized some of the HUBS that are desired include a Skate Park, a community pool, a splash park, and a 'Collective' style entertainment and community interaction venue. Because we are Niwot, we want our HUBS connected by a network of sidewalks and bike paths. As a Committee, we want to open up the conversation about HUBS, and show some potential HUB locations, but leave the next phases...the timing, the exact uses and locations to work themselves out after the community as a whole has a chance to weigh in on what they want and need. The next steps will include community input and direction.

The Committee also reviewed how current zoning supports Niwot's ability to thrive and to meet the needs of our citizens. Jim Ditzel, chair of the Vision Committee describes it so well...Niwot has its drapes closed. Next time you drive in on Niwot Road from the Diagonal, take a look. You have passed 2nd Avenue before you know it is there.

The Vision committee supports two potential zoning changes. One is the expansion of the NRCD, or some similar zoning, to the triangle that is located between Niwot Road, the Diagonal and 2nd Avenue. This would allow the 2nd Avenue commercial district to have the critical mass that allows it to thrive, provide pedestrian and bike links that connect Niwot Road to 2nd Avenue and Cottonwood Square.

The other zoning change would be to Cottonwood Square, allowing mixed use development in this location that would add a very welcome 24/7 vibrancy to this commercial district.

Niwot has so much potential! We all want to preserve the Niwot's quaint charm, while still allowing our town to thrive to meet the needs of all our citizens.

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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Splash Park



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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Skate Park





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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Skating rink

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HUBS

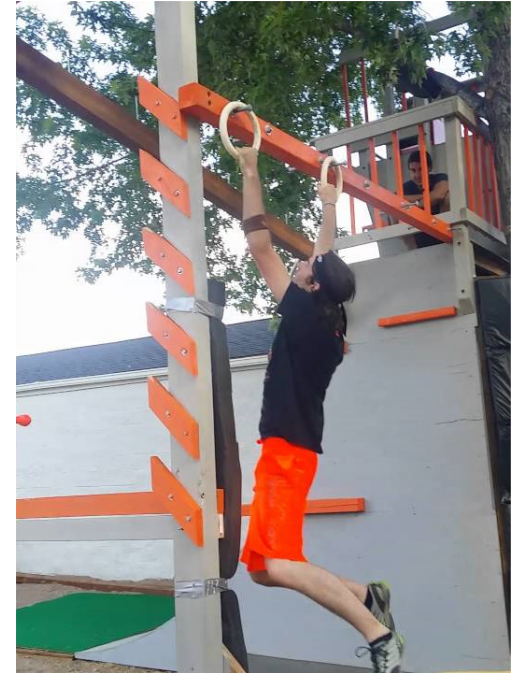
for Community Interaction:
Climbing walls



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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Ninja Warrior playground



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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Community pool



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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Dog Park





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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Collective: Eat, Play, Shop

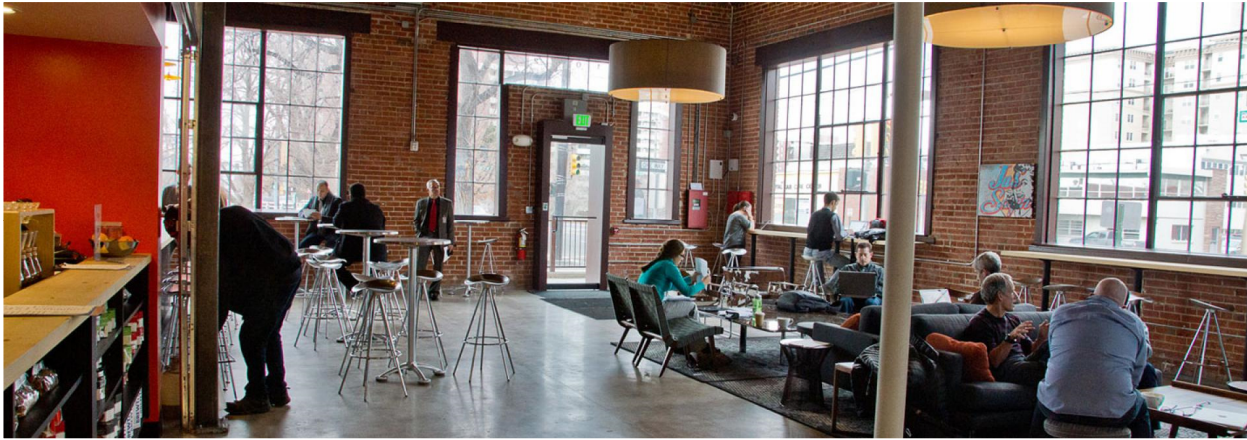




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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Library/information center



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HUBS

for Community Interaction:
Co-working Space

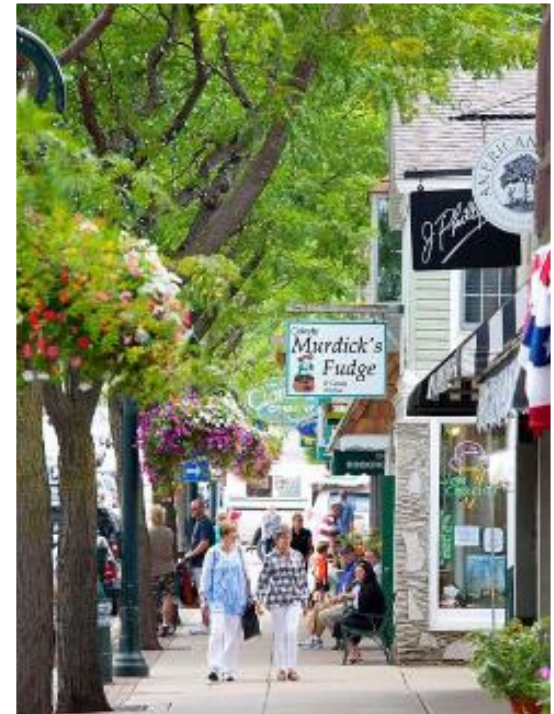




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HUBS

COTTONWOOD SQUARE
AND 2ND AVENUE





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