

RIVERS

Goal: Balance strong riverfront development with conservation and public use

Identify community with river heritage - **10**

Connect to other cities' riverfront development - **4**

Develop the West Covington riverfront - **16**

Increase public access to rivers – **20**

Develop riverfront parks - **17**

Balance development with environmental concerns and public use – **14**

EDUCATION

Goal: Create world-class learning in the urban core that invokes pride and attracts new residents

Improve pre-school readiness – **10**

Graduate more students from high school ready to succeed – **8**

Provide continuing education for adults – **6**

Get parents, non-parents, volunteers and entire community involved in the schools – **30**

Develop students as community leaders – **13**

Find ways to attract and keep the best teachers (reward accountability) – **23**

Market the success and good qualities of Covington schools – **11**

ARTS, CULTURE AND PRESERVATION

Goal: Prioritize arts, culture and unique preservation to make Covington an arts destination

Organize arts community to better market and assist artists – **24**

More public art; connect neighborhoods through art – **9**

Balance preservation with development – **22**

Change zoning to allow more creative re-use – **3**

Increase youth/student/family involvement in the arts – **13**

DOWNTOWN

More loft condos, apartment rehabs, new construction, and residents downtown – **5**

Need an upscale grocery store and more unique restaurants, stores, hotels and art house movie theater – **21**

Beautify and clean streets, add sidewalk cafes, signs and parking – **23**

Create a town square, add green space, public art and planned events – **12**

Improve public transportation, add streetcar system, create pedestrian and bicycle friendly streets – **14**

Market downtown: businesses, cultural attractions and housing – **4**

Improve Riverside area – **4**

Recruit and assist small businesses; create jobs – **7**

GREEN SPACE

Get residents involved in developing, maintaining and using green space – **20**

Connect all green spaces with bike/walking trails (create maps) - **15**

Create more green space on both riverfronts, downtown, and in pockets **19**

Market all of the green spaces, including historical elements - **4**

Use green space for events and as gathering places - **12**

OUR PEOPLE

- Provide jobs, health care, recreation – **17**
- Get citizens engaged systematically – **22**
- Create and market tolerance and diversity – **12**
- Get city employees to live in city – **7**
- Deal with lead issue – **0** –

SAFETY

- Create and market the perception of safety – **13**
- Improve on the-ground police-community relationships – **21**
- Zero tolerance for petty crimes, “broken windows”, code violations – **15**
- Increase homeownership - **6**
- Have an open dialog about race – **7**
- Develop a comprehensive safety plan that includes all stakeholders – **5**
- Hire more police and get them to live in Covington – **10**

TRANSPORTATION

- Create a comprehensive transportation plan focusing on alternative transportation - **17**
- Increase bike and walking paths/lanes – **19**
- Connect parks, rivers, neighborhoods, cities, and downtown - **15**
- Better regional coordination - **5**
- Implement Madison Ave. redevelopment plan – **19**
- Increased signage, maps, and community education -**1**

NEIGHBORHOOD FOCAL POINTS

- Use existing gathering spots or landmarks – **9**
- Physically connect focal points to each other and green spaces – **6**
- Engage residents of all ages to make it happen at low cost and build resident capacity – **19**
- Promote unique neighborhood identities that attract new residents – **21**
- Hold family activities and fun events in welcoming, positive locations – **21**

HOME OWNERSHIP

- Increase home ownership rate and property values – **27**
- Offer incentives to owners, developers, landlords and tenants – **24**
- Better code enforcement system – **23**
- Market and facilitate homeownership incentives and skills – **20**
- Improve streetscapes—make them beautiful – **12**
- Build relationships through block clubs, events, etc – **10**
- Get City, residents, landlords and tenants working together – **4**