

# AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

## FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 23

DATE: October 21, 2008

STAFF: Anne Aspen

### SUBJECT

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Resolution 2008-100 Adopting the 2008 Update to the *Three Mile Plan for the City of Fort Collins*.

### RECOMMENDATION

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Staff recommends adoption of the Resolution.

The Planning and Zoning Board will consider the updated Plan at its meeting of October 16, 2008.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The *Three-Mile Plan* is a policy document that is required to ensure that the City complies with the regulations of the Colorado Revised Statutes. This is the 2008 update to the *Three-Mile Plan* for the City.

### BACKGROUND

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The current *Three-Mile Plan* has been in use since it was last amended by Council on November 21, 2007. According to law, the plan should be updated and revised annually. This update is presented for Council review.

The *Three-Mile Plan* describes each of the items listed in the Statute in four categories as follows:

#### Transportation-related items:

- Streets
- Subways
- Bridges
- Parkways
- Aviation Fields
- Other Public Ways
- Terminals for Transportation

**Parks, Natural Areas and Open Lands-related items:**

- Waterways
- Waterfronts
- Playgrounds
- Squares
- Parks
- Grounds
- Open Spaces

**Utilities and related items:**

- Public Utilities
- Terminals for Water, Light, Sanitation, and Power Provided by the Municipality

**Proposed Land Uses:**

- Inside Growth Management Area (GMA)
- Outside Growth Management Area (GMA)

The *Three-Mile Plan* lists the plans, policies, maps, and other documents that have been adopted by the City Council which generally describe the proposed location, character and extent of the specific characteristics listed above. In addition, there are some plans and policies that have been adopted not by the City, but by Larimer County, CSU or adjoining municipalities, as these are also located within the boundaries of the *Three-Mile Plan for the City of Fort Collins, Colorado*.

RESOLUTION 2008-100  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
ADOPTING THE 2008 UPDATE TO THE THREE MILE  
PLAN FOR THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS

WHEREAS, Colorado law provides at Section 31-12-105, C.R.S., that each municipality in the State must prepare a plan for the area within three miles in any direction from any point of the municipality's boundaries (a "Three-Mile Plan"), which Plan must generally describe the proposed location, character, and extent of streets, subways, bridges, waterways, waterfronts, parkways, playgrounds, squares, parks, aviation fields, other public ways, grounds, open spaces, public utilities and terminals for water, light, sanitation, transportation and power to be provided by the municipality, and the proposed land uses for the area; and

WHEREAS, the City's original Three-Mile Plan was adopted in 1998, which Plan again is in need of being updated; and

WHEREAS, City staff has prepared and presented to the Council a proposed update of the Three-Mile Plan for the City, which plan update the Council has determined should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS that the updated Three-Mile Plan for the City of Fort Collins, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby approved and adopted.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 21st day of October A.D. 2008.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk



# Three-Mile Plan for the City of Fort Collins, Colorado

Prepared by the Current Planning Department  
October, 2008

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# THREE-MILE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

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## I. INTRODUCTION

### *What is the Purpose of the Three-Mile Plan?*

The Three-Mile Plan for the City of Fort Collins, Colorado, is a policy document that complies with the regulations set forth in the Colorado Revised Statutes. This 2008 document updates the 2007 version of the Three Mile Plan to reflect changes to supporting documents and plans. Section 31-12-105 of the **Colorado Revised Statutes** requires that the City complete a plan within three miles in any direction from any point of such municipal boundary as follows:

*Prior to the completion of any annexation within the three-mile area, the municipality shall have in place a plan for that area that generally describes the proposed location, character, and extent of streets, subways, bridges, waterways, waterfronts, parkways, playgrounds, squares, parks, aviation fields, other public ways, grounds, open spaces, public utilities, and terminals for water, light, sanitation, transportation, and power to be provided by the municipality and the proposed land uses for the area.*

## ***What Does the Three-Mile Plan Describe?***

This Three-Mile Plan describes each of the items listed in the Statute in four categories, as follows:

### *Transportation-related items:*

- Streets
- Subways
- Bridges
- Parkways
- Aviation Fields
- Other Public Ways
- Terminals for Transportation

### *Parks, Natural Areas and Open Lands-related items:*

- Waterways
- Waterfronts
- Playgrounds
- Squares
- Parks
- Grounds
- Open Spaces

### *Utilities and related items:*

- Public Utilities
- Terminals for Water, Light, Sanitation, and Power Provided by the Municipality

### *Proposed Land Uses*

- Inside Growth Management Area (GMA)
- Outside Growth Management Area (GMA)

Under each of these categories are listed those plans, policies, maps, and other documents that have been adopted by the City of Fort Collins City Council and other municipalities, organizations and service providers within the three-mile area that generally describe the proposed location, character and extent of the specific characteristics.

## II. ELEMENTS OF THE THREE MILE PLAN

### *Transportation-related Items:*

#### 1. Streets:

- City Plan
- City of Fort Collins Master Street Plan
- Fort Collins Transportation Master Plan
- Larimer County Transportation Master Plan
- North Front Range Regional Transportation Plan
- Northern Colorado Regional Planning Study
- Transit Plan: Fort Collins, Loveland and Larimer County (1996-2002)
- Northern Colorado Regional Communities I-25 Corridor Plan
- City of Fort Collins Street Standards
- Larimer County Urban Area Street Standards
- Transfort Standard Operating Plan
- Mason Corridor Master Plan
- City of Fort Collins Bicycle Plan and Program
- City of Fort Collins Pedestrian Plan
- N. College and Highway 14 Access Control Plan
- South College Access Control Plan
- Harmony Road Access Control Plan
- Subarea Plans
  - I-25 Subarea Plan
  - Mountain Vista Subarea Plan
  - East Mulberry Corridor Plan
  - Fossil Creek Reservoir Area Plan
  - Downtown River Corridor Implementation Program Summary Report
  - North College Avenue Corridor Plan
  - Northside Neighborhood Plan
  - Northwest Subarea Plan
  - West Central Neighborhoods Plan
  - East Side Neighborhood Plan
  - Prospect Road Streetscape Program
  - West Side Neighborhood Plan
  - Harmony Corridor Plan
  - Campus West Community Commercial District Planning Study Report
  - Downtown Strategic Plan
  - CDOT US287 Environmental Overview Study
  - CDOT US392 Environmental Overview Study
  - State Highway 392 Access Control Plan
  - CDOT North I-25 Environmental Impact Statement



2. Subways: None

3. Bridges:

- Master Street Plan
- North Front Range Regional Transportation Plan

4. Parkways

5. Aviation Fields

- The attached map entitled "*Airports within the Three-Mile Area Plan Boundary*" locates all the airports within the plan area.
- Airport Master Plan Update

6. Other Public Ways

7. Terminals for Public Transportation

- Mason Corridor Master Plan

***Parks, Natural Areas, and Open Lands-related Items:***

1. Waterways:

- The attached map entitled “*Significant Waterways and Waterfronts within the Three-Mile Area Plan Boundary*” locates all significant waterways within the plan area.
- Cache La Poudre River Landscape Opportunities Study
- Stormwater Master Plan and Floodplain Regulations
- Watershed Approach to Stormwater Quality

2. Waterfronts:

- The attached map entitled “*Significant Waterways and Waterfronts within the Three-Mile Area Plan Boundary*” locates all the waterways within the plan area.

3. Playgrounds, Squares, Parks:

- City Plan
- Parks and Recreation Policy Plan
- Larimer County Comprehensive Parks Master Plan
- Thompson School District Master Plan
- Poudre School District Master Plan
- Subarea Plans
  - I-25 Subarea Plan
  - Mountain Vista Subarea Plan
  - East Mulberry Corridor Plan
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  - Campus West Community Commercial District Planning Study Report
  - Downtown Strategic Plan

#### 4. Grounds, Open Spaces:

- City Plan
- City of Fort Collins Natural Areas Program Land Conservation and Stewardship Master Plan
- Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan
- Foothills Study
- Fort Collins Parks and Recreation Policy Plans
- CSU Master Plan (Foothills Campus)
- Regional Community Separator Study
- Timnath and Windsor Community Separator Study
- Plan for the Region Between Fort Collins and Loveland
- Larimer County Comprehensive Parks Master Plan
- Subarea Plans
  - I-25 Subarea Plan
  - Mountain Vista Subarea Plan
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***Utilities and related items:***

1. Public Utilities:

- City Plan
- Fort Collins-Loveland Water District Master Plan
- South Fort Collins Sanitation District Master Plan for Wastewater Collection and Treatment
- Fort Collins Water Supply and Demand Management Policy 2004
- Stormwater Master Plan and Floodplain Management
- Fort Collins Wastewater Master Plan Update
- Fort Collins Revised Water Treatment Facility Master Plan
- 208 Plan
- Boxelder Sanitation District Long Range Management Plan
- Boxelder Sanitation District Long Term Financial Plan
- Boxelder Sanitation District Capabilities Management Plan
- 2007 East Larimer County Water District (ELCO) Master Plan Update

2. Terminals for water, light, sanitation, transportation, and power provided by the municipality:

- City Plan
- City of Fort Collins Master Street Plan
- Fort Collins-Loveland Water District Master Plan
- South Fort Collins Sanitation District Master Plan for Wastewater Collection and Treatment
- Fort Collins Water Supply and Demand Management Policy 2004
- Stormwater Master Plan and Floodplain Management
- Fort Collins Wastewater Master Plan Update
- Fort Collins Revised Water Treatment Facility Master Plan
- 208 Plan
- City of Fort Collins Electric Long Range Plan

## ***Proposed Land Uses***

### 1. Land Uses defined within the Growth Management Area

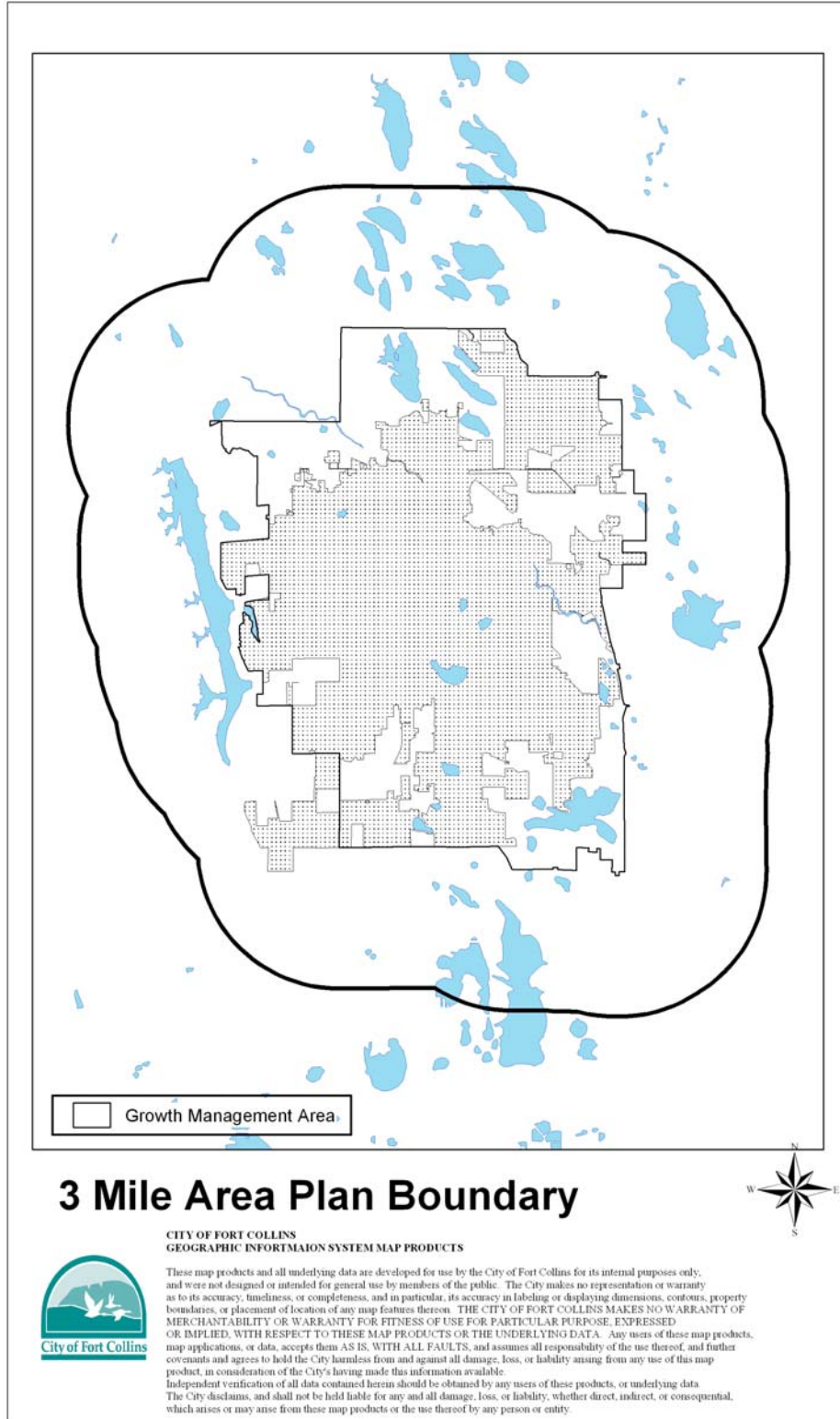
- City Plan
- City of Fort Collins Structure Plan
- Larimer County and City of Fort Collins Intergovernmental Agreements, 2000
- Foundation for a New Century CSU Campus Master Plan, 2004 including
  - Agricultural Research Development and Educational Center (ARDEC) Master Plan, and
  - Foothills Campus Master Plan
  - South Campus Master Plan
- 2003 Buildable Lands Inventory and Capacity Analysis
- Subarea Plans
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### 2. Land Uses outside the Growth Management Area

- Larimer County Land Use Plan
- Larimer County Master Plan
- A Plan for the Region Between Fort Collins and Loveland
- Northern Colorado Community Separator Study
- Northern Colorado Regional Planning Study
- LaPorte Area Plan
- Town of Windsor Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code
- Town of Timnath Comprehensive Plan, June 2007
- City of Loveland 3-Mile Area Plan
- Loveland, Colorado 2005 Comprehensive Master Plan
- Town of Wellington Comprehensive Master Plan 2003, amended 2006

**ATTACHMENT ONE:**

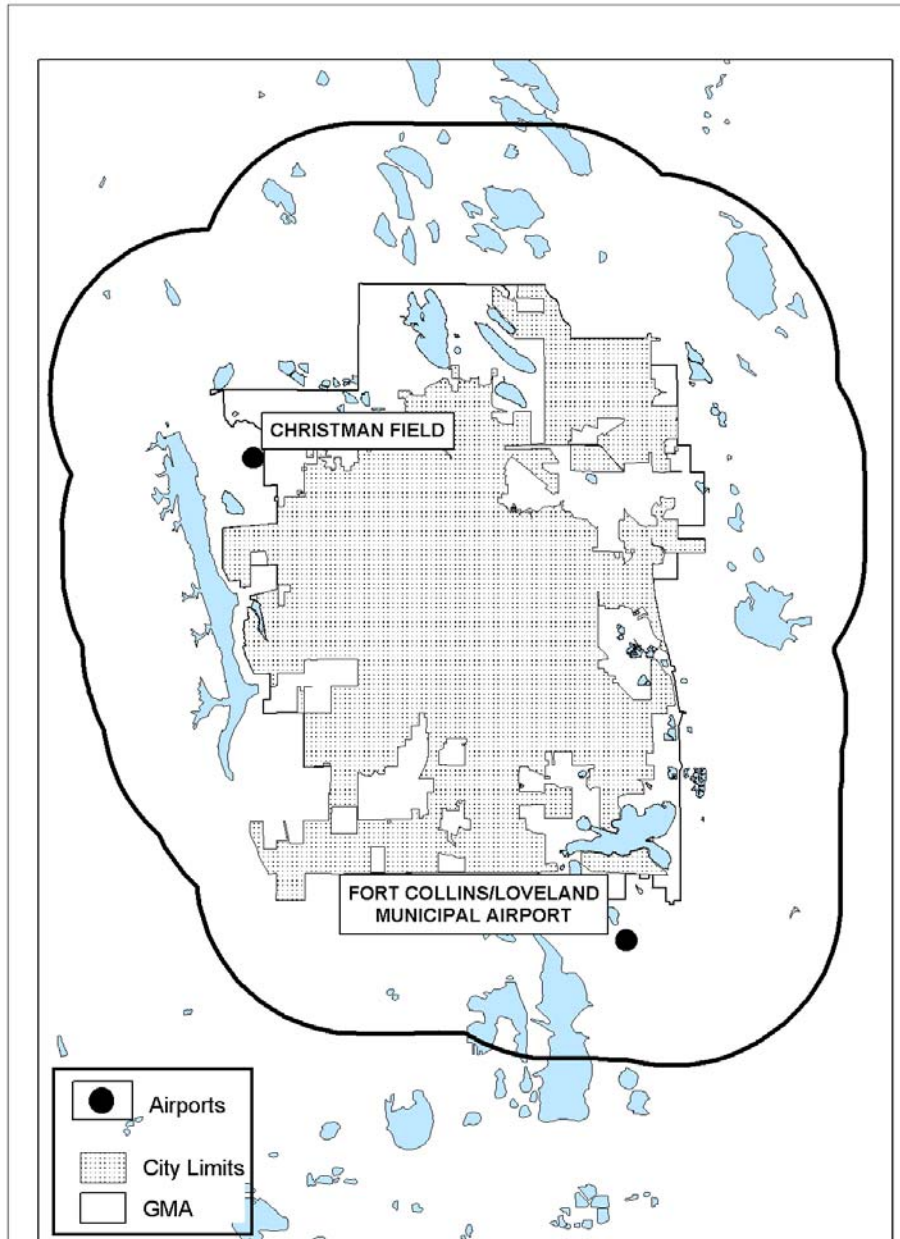
**THREE-MILE AREA PLAN BOUNDARY**





**ATTACHMENT THREE:**

**AIRPORTS WITHIN THREE-MILE AREA PLAN BOUNDARY**



**Airports Within the 3 Mile Area Plan Boundary**

CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
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