



Ready to Talk Future Growth? Workshop kicks off Mon., March 9

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The table is set for four intensive days of conversation about Thompson's Station's strategies for guiding growth. All we need is you.

The workshop begins Monday, March 9, at 6 p.m. at Thompson's Station Community Center, 1555 Thompson's Station Road West. Pick the sessions you want to attend by checking out the complete schedule [here](#).

By the end of the closing presentation on Thursday evening, we'll have a framework for growth-guiding regulations that enable the sort of future we want and protect what we value about living here.

Why the sense of urgency? In 20 years, our 10-county regional population is expected to be about the same as the population of the Denver region now. And the four counties that include Williamson are projected to account for 40 percent of the residential growth and a third of the jobs.

That doesn't mean Thompson's Station is going to look like Nashville or even Franklin. Ever. It just means that it's time for making the most of the opportunities growth affords and for applying the growth-managing lessons learned from others who were less prepared to handle growth pressures.

We know, for instance, that we want to retain the rural character of Thompson's Station no matter what. With more people and more development opportunity at our door, we may regret allowing trends that would change the look and feel of our community.

So let's get ahead of the growth pressure. Let's identify what we most value in our landscape and in patterns of residential and commercial development. And let's make sure we're making it easier to get what we want and harder to undermine what makes Thompson's Station so special.

See you there.

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