



The South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994 was amended in 2007 to include the South Carolina Priority Investment Act (PIA). The intent of the PIA is to improve the planning and multi-jurisdictional coordination of public infrastructure decisions and to encourage the development of affordable housing and traditional neighborhood design. To accomplish these goals, the priority investment element requires local governments to assess the availability of public funds for infrastructure improvements and to prioritize these improvements for expenditure over the next ten years. The act also gives local governments the flexibility of designating specific “priority investment” areas within their jurisdiction; these designations will promote and direct growth in areas where existing or planned infrastructure can support higher intensities of development.

# Priority Investment

## Summary of Key Findings

- The City has a balanced budget with stable revenue sources
- The City prepares and implements a capital improvement planning process that is tied with the annual budget
- There are a number of potential funding sources available to assist with project implementation
- The City has many local government and organization partners to coordinate with

## Issues and Opportunities

**Government and Stakeholder Coordination.** The City should continue to build and strengthen relationships with neighboring jurisdictions and organizational partners, and collaborate with them on capital improvement projects as a means for leveraging resources and achieving common goals and priorities. To strengthen coordination efforts the City should develop an adjacent jurisdiction and relevant agency/organization contact database and formalize procedures for notification and outreach regarding comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance, and land development regulation changes and updates.

**Quality Public Facilities and Services.** Cayce is responsible for providing a wide range of public services. The City should continue to seek alternative funding sources for projects and engage in annual capital improvement planning and budgeting to ensure the availability of adequate funding and resources to sustain and improve public facilities and services.

## Related Goals and Strategies

The key issues and opportunities identified relate to the comprehensive plan goals listed below. Relevant objectives and strategies corresponding with these goals are summarized in Table 11.4.

Goal # 6: Plan for Future Growth and Development

## Performance Metrics

To assist with monitoring progress towards achieving relevant goals and objectives, the City should collect and analyze the following data:

- Partner Organizations - Number engaged, purpose
- Grant Opportunities - Number applied for, success rate

**Table 11.4: Goals, Objectives, and Strategies**

Goal # 6: Plan for  
Future Growth and  
Development

Encourage local government and partner agency/organization coordination

- Develop an adjacent jurisdiction and relevant agency/organization contact database and formalize procedures for notification and outreach regarding comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance, and land development regulation changes and updates

Provide quality public facilities and services

- Continue to identify alternative funding opportunities for infrastructure and public service improvements such as the Community Development Block Grant Program
- Implement capital improvement plan (CIP) recommendations and continue annual CIP planning process