

Volume 2 Chapter 1 Vision

1. *Given the time that has passed since the original Master Plan was adopted, the CPC would be updating much of the text. We request that within that updated language in Volume 2 Chapter 1 the following text be included in the introduction of the Vision text:*

Equity and Resilience are the principles with which the citizens of New Orleans build communities by honoring our environment and each other.

EQUITY

As an essential component toward achieving equity in New Orleans, the Master Plan builds upon the great strides we have made rebuilding our neighborhoods, celebrating our culture and sharing our unique landscape. Every element of this Master Plan will serve to engage all members of our city in visioning, crafting and implementing policies that affirm all citizens' rights to economic opportunity, housing, recreation, education and health. The goals of the Master Plan will align with the City of New Orleans' Equity Strategy to improve the opportunities of the underserved and underrepresented and ensure their participation in the plans and projects that affect their lives.

RESILIENCE

As a framework for the city's physical development and operations, the Master Plan will embrace Resilience by enhancing the capacity of individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, and systems in New Orleans to survive, adapt, and grow no matter what kinds of chronic stresses and acute shocks we may experience. As we celebrate 300 years in our unique setting, we acknowledge with optimism and urgency that we must learn to live with and care for the natural systems which sustain the city as responsible stewards for future generations of New Orleanians. The distinct urban character and unparalleled natural context of our city provide the challenges and opportunities that the Master Plan must address if it is to be the successful blueprint for our future."

2. We request that you place the following statements in Text Boxes in Volume 2 Chapter 1 Vision on the same page or immediately following the preceding text amendment:

EQUITY

An equitable city government acts with purpose to achieve just and fair inclusion, ensuring that all residents participate, prosper, and reach their full potential. It leverages its power and resources to dismantle institutional racism and discrimination wherever they exist. It implements bold strategies to eliminate income and neighborhood inequities.

RESILIENCE

As a resilient City, New Orleans will:

- *adapt to thrive: By adapting our city to our natural environment and the risks of climate change, we can create opportunities for all New Orleanians to thrive.*
- *connect to opportunity: By investing in equity—the driving force behind our economy’s growth and innovation, our communities’ safety and stability and our families health and prosperity—we are investing in resilience.*
- *transform city systems : We are building a New Orleans for the Future—one that embraces change, prepares for risks of the future and honors our traditions*