







James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood Plan



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# **Executive Summary**

### **James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood Vision Statement**

The James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood is a family friendly, unified, residential community that retains the character of the historic Jacob School Road community, beginning in 1912, and the African American subdivision founded by James Taylor in 1922.

Now known as the combined historic James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood, it is a neighborhood that preserves and promotes its cultural, environmental, and physical assets, while embracing diversity and appropriate growth.

All residents of the James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood will have clean air, water, and soil; infrastructure that provides adequate drainage; and safe access to all modes of transportation.



### Land Use Recommendations

GOAL 1: PRESERVE THE FAMILY-FRIENDLY, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LAND USE AND CHARACTER OF THE JAMES TAYLOR - JACOB SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD.

	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
LU1	Preserve single family residential zoning and use inside the James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood.	Planning and Design Services	Ongoing
LU2	Limit the zoning of parcels to R-4 or lower intensity inside the James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood.	Planning and Design Services	Ongoing

#### GOAL 2: PROMOTE NEIGHBORHOOD-FRIENDLY LAND USE AND ZONING ADJACENT TO AND SURROUND-ING THE JAMES TAYLOR - JACOB SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD.

	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
LU7	Discourage non-residential zoning and use along River Road.	Planning and Design Services	Ongoing
LU8	Encourage commercial development to occur in established or po- tentially new shopping centers along US-42.	Planning and Design Services, Louisville Forward	Ongoing



### **Historic Preservation Recommendations**

GOAL 1: PRESERVE AND ENHANCE THE EXISTING RURAL AND HISTORIC CHARACTER OF THE JAMES TAYLOR - JACOB SCHOOL ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD.

	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
HP1	Consider a local historic preservation district with design guidelines to preserve and enhance the character and aesthetic of the James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood.	Neighborhood Association	Medium Term - 3 years
HP2	Pursue the current draft nomination and obtain National Register of Historic Places designation for the eligible James Taylor Historic District.	Neighborhood Association, Louisville Metro Planning and Design, Kentucky Heritage Council, River Fields	Short Term - 1 year
НРЗ	Pursue the current draft nomination and obtain National Register of Historic Places designation for the eligible Jacob School Road Historic District.	Neighborhood Association, Louisville Metro Planning and Design, Kentucky Heritage Council, River Fields	Short Term - 1 year



### **Natural Resources Recommendations**

GOAL 1: ENSURE ALL RESIDENCES IN THE JAMES TAYLOR - JACOB SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE ADEQUATE PROTECTION FROM FLOODING.

	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
NR1	Restrict the use of fill or artificial elevation in new non-critical develop- ment or additions to existing structures.	Planning and Design Services	Ongoing
NR2	New development, including additions to existing structures, must provide evidence of and adhere to a 100-foot buffer from all streams and creekbeds, per ordinance.	Planning and Design Services	Ongoing
NR3	New construction or additions that are greater than 400 square feet of structural blueprint or greater than 20% of the size of the structral blueprint (whatever is greater) should provide an environmental as- sessment that evaluates a) the potential effects of stormwater runoff from its site, and b) how it plans to infiltrate stormwater and mitigates pre- and post-construction runoff conditions.	Planning and Design Services	Ongoing

#### GOAL 2: REDUCE SYSTEMIC FLOODING IN ROADWAYS AND ON PRIVATE PROPERTY.

	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
NR4	Expedite the installation of a 100-year pipe with appropriate catch basins and other infrastructure on Bass Road, as proposed in the Prospect Area Flooding Analysis and Planning Alternative Develop- ment Report, part of the Critical Repair and Reinvestment Plan (MSD 20-year Comprehensive Facility Plan).	MSD, Metro Council (Advocacy)	Medium Term - 3 years
NR11	Encourage the use of green infrastructure and other mitigating mate- rials wherever possible.	Plannning and Design Services, Public Works, MSD	Ongoing

## **Mobility Recommendations**

#### GOAL 1: IMPROVE SAFETY WITHIN THE JAMES TAYLOR - JACOB SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD.

M4	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
	Work with Public Works to install speed humps on Bass Road and Shirley Avenue in order to calm speeds, particularly near the entran- ce to Hays Kennedy Park.	Public Works, Metro Council, Neighbor- hood Association	Short Term - 1 year
M5	Install green infrastructure in the median on Bass Road near the River's Edge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and the entrance to Hays Kennedy Park, utilizing materials that reflect the existing na- tural landscape and enhance stormwater drainage. (Retain speed humps as appropriate)	Public Works, MSD	Medium Term - 3 years

### GOAL 2: PROVIDE SAFE AND CONVENIENT ACCESS AND MOBILITY WITHIN THE JAMES TAYLOR - JACOB SCHOOL NEIGHBRORHOOD.

	Recommendation	Partners	Timeframe
M9	Work with Public Works to install paved walking paths along all roadways inside James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood, with a priority of Bass Road and Shirley Avenue. Urban sidewalks with curbs and gutter are inconsistent with the historic rural character of the James Taylor - Jacob School Neighborhood.	Public Works, Neighborhood Association	Medium Term - 3 years

#### GOAL 3: IMPROVE MOBILITY TO ADJACENT AREAS AND TO DOWNTOWN.

		Partners	Timeframe
M14	Explore sidewalks along River Road and US42 from River Road to Del Haven Lane to allow safe pedestrian connections between the ne- ighborhood and commercial areas.	Public Works, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet	Medium Term - 3 years

