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Headland Comprehensive Plan

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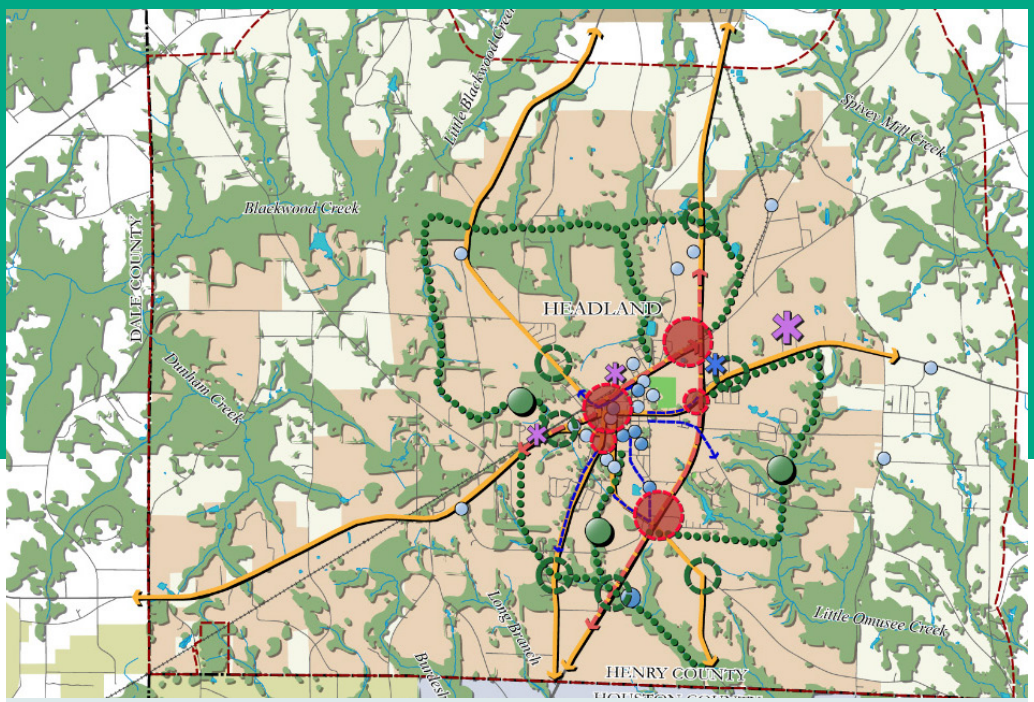
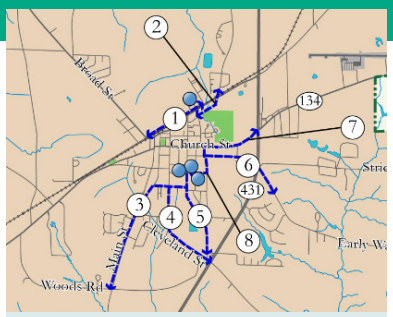
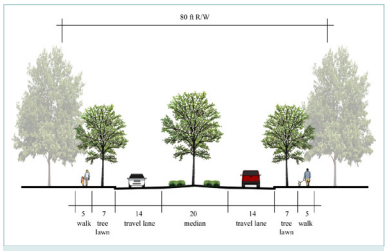


This graphic summarizes components of the Headland Comprehensive Plan with commercial uses limited to downtown and a few other clusters (red circles). The plan also maps a green infrastructure to be protected along creeks and nearby farmland.

Residents love their downtown with its square. The plan reinforces it as the core of the town and designates infill sites.



The plan calls for an existing network of sidewalks downtown to be extended along major streets linking nearby neighborhoods.



This section drawing shows a traffic-calming pedestrian enhancement for Main Street extending south.

By Philip Morris

A plan for the City of Headland (pop. 3,800) by KPS Group of Birmingham adopted in 2010 builds on given strengths of the community.

"Headland is a fairly compact rural town with much of its residential development contiguous to downtown," says project planner Jason Fondren. "Though U.S. 431 runs through the east side of the community, there has been a limited amount of development mostly at major intersections." The strategic plan calls for reinforcing the historic downtown with its much-loved square and concentrating future development there or at a few other commercial nodes.

The plan also includes sidewalk extensions from the town center along major streets to tie in with nearby neighborhoods. A green infrastructure, mainly along several creeks, is mapped for protection and enhancement. A system of gateways and major street landscaping to extend the town's existing tree canopy has already generated some improvements. KPS Group also updated the zoning ordinance, subdivision regulations and sign ordinance. Limitations on sewer extensions are intended to keep the town compact even as it serves as a bedroom community for Dothan about 6 miles away.