



SPECIAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE AGENDA

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Caledonia Village Hall, 5043 Chester Lane

Caledonia, WI 53402

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. Roll Call

3. New Business

- A. Special Comprehensive Plan Committee Position Election** – Conduct nominations and elections for the positions of Committee Chair and Vice Chair.
- B. Comprehensive Plan Public Survey Review** – Review the proposed public survey related to the Comprehensive Plan.

4. Adjournment

Dated August 26, 2024

Jennifer Bass

Caledonia Village Clerk

Only Commission members are expected to attend. However, attendance by all Board members (including non-members of the Plan Commission) is permitted. If additional (non-commission) Board members attend, three or more Board members may be in attendance. Section 19.82(2), Wisconsin Statutes, states as follows: If one-half or more of the members of a governmental body are present, the meeting is rebuttably presumed to be for the purposes of exercising the responsibilities, authority, power or duties delegated to or vested in the body. To the extent that three or more members of the Caledonia Village Board actually attend, this meeting may be rebuttably presumed to be a "meeting" within the meaning of Wisconsin's open meeting law. Nevertheless, only the commission's agenda will be discussed. Only commission members will vote. Board members who attend the commission meeting do so for the purpose of gathering information and possible discussion regarding the agenda. No votes or other action will be taken by the Village Board at this meeting.

Comprehensive Plan Community Survey

The Village of Caledonia is currently working on a **comprehensive plan update** which will help shape our community through 2050.

The Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Caledonia will outline **existing conditions**, describe **future goals and objectives** for development, and include an **action plan** on how to achieve these goals and objectives. Several topics will be addressed—some of which are reflected in the following sections.

We invite you to participate in our community's planning process!

Your responses will be a valuable resource and will help guide the plan's recommendations. Please read each question carefully and answer it as accurately as possible. To help ensure the accuracy of results, each person may only submit the survey once.

The questionnaire should take less than 20 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary, and you may exit the survey at any time.

About You

1. What is your connection to Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ I live in Caledonia (East of Douglas Ave)
- ☐ I live in Caledonia (West of Douglas Ave and South of 4 Mile Rd)
- ☐ I live in Caledonia (West of Douglas Ave and North of 4 Mile Rd)
- ☐ I work in Caledonia
- ☐ I regularly visit Caledonia (e.g., shopping, recreation, family)
- ☐ Other / None of the above

2. What is your age?

- ☐ Under 18
- ☐ 18 - 24
- ☐ 25 - 34
- ☐ 35 - 44
- ☐ 45 - 54
- ☐ 55 - 64
- ☐ 65 or older

3. How many people live in your household?

- ☐ One
- ☐ Two
- ☐ 3 - 4 people
- ☐ 5 or more people

4. What type of home do you currently live in?

- ☐ Single-family home
- ☐ Townhome or duplex
- ☐ Apartment
- ☐ Condo
- ☐ Mobile or manufactured home
- ☐ Other

5. Do you own or rent your home?

- ☐ Own
- ☐ Rent
- ☐ Other

Community Strengths and Challenges

6. What do you see as Caledonia's biggest strengths?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Access to parks or recreation
- ☐ Affordable cost of living
- ☐ Agricultural or rural character
- ☐ Environmental conservation
- ☐ Local businesses
- ☐ Quality public services (e.g. schools, safety)
- ☐ Small-town feel
- ☐ Walkability or bikeability

7. What are the biggest challenges facing Caledonia?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Aging infrastructure
- ☐ Inadequate bike/walk facilities
- ☐ Lack of affordable housing
- ☐ Lack of jobs or economic growth
- ☐ Lack of retail/services
- ☐ Limited housing variety
- ☐ Loss of farmland or open space
- ☐ Traffic or unsafe streets
- ☐ Vacant or underused properties

8. Are there other strengths or challenges not listed above that you feel are important to Caledonia?

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Housing and Residential Neighborhoods

9. Do you feel that Caledonia has housing options to meet the future needs of residents?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

10. Which groups do you feel are most affected by housing challenges in Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Larger families
- ☐ Low- or fixed-income households
- ☐ People with disabilities
- ☐ People who work in the community but live elsewhere
- ☐ Seniors
- ☐ Young adults or first-time buyers
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

11. Do you know people who want to live in Caledonia but cannot due to lack of housing availability?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

12. Do you know people who want to live in Caledonia but cannot due to housing costs?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

13. How affordable do you consider your housing costs in Caledonia?

- ☐ Very affordable
- ☐ Somewhat affordable
- ☐ Difficult to afford
- ☐ Not affordable at all
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

14. Would you support or oppose the Village of Caledonia adopting the following strategies to address housing needs?

	Strongly oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly support	Not sure Don't Know
Encouraging the development of a variety of housing options	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Limiting new housing construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning for construction of housing for young families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning for construction of affordable housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning for construction of housing for early-career professionals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning for construction of senior or age-restricted housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

15. What types of homes would you prefer to see more of in Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Small single-family homes (starter or “downsizing” houses)
- ☐ Mid-sized single-family homes
- ☐ Large single-family homes
- ☐ Duplexes
- ☐ Townhouses
- ☐ Multi-unit apartments (4 or more units)
- ☐ Multi-unit condominiums (4 or more units)
- ☐ Accessory dwelling units (e.g. basement apartments, carriage houses)

16. Where should new housing be encouraged in Caledonia?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Evenly throughout the Village
- ☐ In existing neighborhoods
- ☐ Near existing commercial areas
- ☐ New suburban-style development in rural areas
- ☐ Other

17. Do you have any additional comments about housing and residential neighborhoods in Caledonia?

Economic Development

18. How would you rate the economic conditions of the Village of Caledonia in each of the following areas?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not sure Don't Know
Access to a variety of businesses and services that meet your needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of jobs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of jobs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ease of starting and maintaining a business	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impact of industrial uses on the surrounding community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunities for new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strength of local economy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19. How satisfied are you with Caledonia's commercial areas (shopping areas, dining and entertainment areas, etc.)

Very dissatisfied ☐
 Somewhat satisfied ☐
 Neutral ☐
 Somewhat satisfied ☐
 Very satisfied ☐

20. What would improve Caledonia's commercial areas?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Beautification or streetscaping improvements
- ☐ Events and activities
- ☐ More local or independent businesses
- ☐ More public places to gather or socialize
- ☐ More street parking
- ☐ More jobs or office space
- ☐ More restaurants or entertainment
- ☐ Safer streets and sidewalks

21. Would you support or oppose the following strategies for commercial development in Caledonia?

	Strongly oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly support	Not sure Don't Know
Allow a greater mix of uses (e.g., homes, offices, retail) when redeveloping existing commercial areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Develop new suburban-style strip malls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage new commercial buildings in vacant lots designated for commercial use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Strongly oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly support	Not sure / Don't Know
Have the Village buy land, as it becomes available, to redevelop existing commercial areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide resources and support to people starting small businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Turn vacant commercial sites into public spaces with shops and restaurants nearby	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

22. Do you have any additional comments about commercial and industrial areas in Caledonia?

Community Facilities and Parks

23. Which of the following do you or other members of your household use?

- ☐ Arts or cultural venues
- ☐ Child care
- ☐ Libraries
- ☐ Parks
- ☐ Public schools
- ☐ Recreation centers
- ☐ Senior services
- ☐ Trails

24. How much should the Village of Caledonia prioritize the following goals?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Highly	Not sure / Don't know
Define a distinct character for different parts of Caledonia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expand the pedestrian and bike public trail network	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Offer a range of cultural activities and events	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preserve and protect environmentally sensitive areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preserve historically and architecturally significant sites and buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide more cultural, civic, and public gathering spaces (e.g., splash pad, botanical garden, beer gardens)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

25. Are there community facilities or services that you believe are missing from Caledonia?

Transportation and Mobility

26. In a typical week, how do you get around Caledonia?

- ☐ Walk
- ☐ Bike
- ☐ Carpool
- ☐ Drive alone
- ☐ Public transit
- ☐ Taxi or rideshare (e.g. Uber, Lyft)

27. When considering existing transportation infrastructure in Caledonia, please rate each of the following.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not sure Don't Know
Bike lanes or trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crosswalk safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sidewalk availability and condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public transit access	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Road maintenance and safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Winter accessibility for walking/biking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

28. What transportation improvements are most needed in Caledonia?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Additional sidewalks
- ☐ Additional and improved bike lanes
- ☐ Additional off-street trails
- ☐ Better connections between neighborhoods and destinations
- ☐ Better lighting and visibility
- ☐ Better public transit service
- ☐ Improved safety for pedestrian crossings
- ☐ Improved traffic flow
- ☐ More street parking
- ☐ Traffic calming or speed reduction measures

29. If there were a safe sidewalk or trail, how likely would you be to walk to locations near (within 5 to 10 minutes) your home?

Very likely **Somewhat likely** **Somewhat unlikely** **Very unlikely** **Not sure / Don't know**
☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

30. Do you have any additional comments about transportation and mobility in Caledonia?

Final Thoughts

31. Are you satisfied with the overall quality of life in Caledonia?

Very dissatisfied **Somewhat satisfied** **Neutral** **Somewhat satisfied** **Very satisfied**
☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

32. What are your top 3 priorities for the future of Caledonia?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Attracting and supporting businesses
- ☐ Enhancing parks and community spaces
- ☐ Expanding housing options
- ☐ Improving housing affordability
- ☐ Improving streets and roads
- ☐ Making it easier to get around without a car
- ☐ Preparing for natural hazard resilience
- ☐ Preserving agricultural and rural lands
- ☐ Protecting natural areas and resources
- ☐ Revitalizing commercial areas
- ☐ Supporting schools and families

33. Do you have any additional comments, concerns, or ideas you'd like to share?