



# Englewood

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**TO:** Honorable City Council, Mayor Michael Wildes  
Englewood Planning Board

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**SUBJECT:** Enhanced Comparative Analysis: Englewood Master Plans 2014 vs. 2024

## Executive Summary

The 2024 DRAFT Englewood Master Plan represents a significant evolution from the 2014 adopted Master Plan. The 2024 DRAFT has substantial increases in both scope and depth. The new 2024 plan evaluated more elements and shows a 50.47% increase in the number of recommendations. The 2014 Master Plan did not include cost estimates in its analysis for each of the recommendations made. Those cost estimates attributed to the 2014 Master Plan recommendations and are based on the average cost of the 2024 recommendations as presented in 2024 dollars adjusted for annual rates of inflation.

## Quantitative Comparison

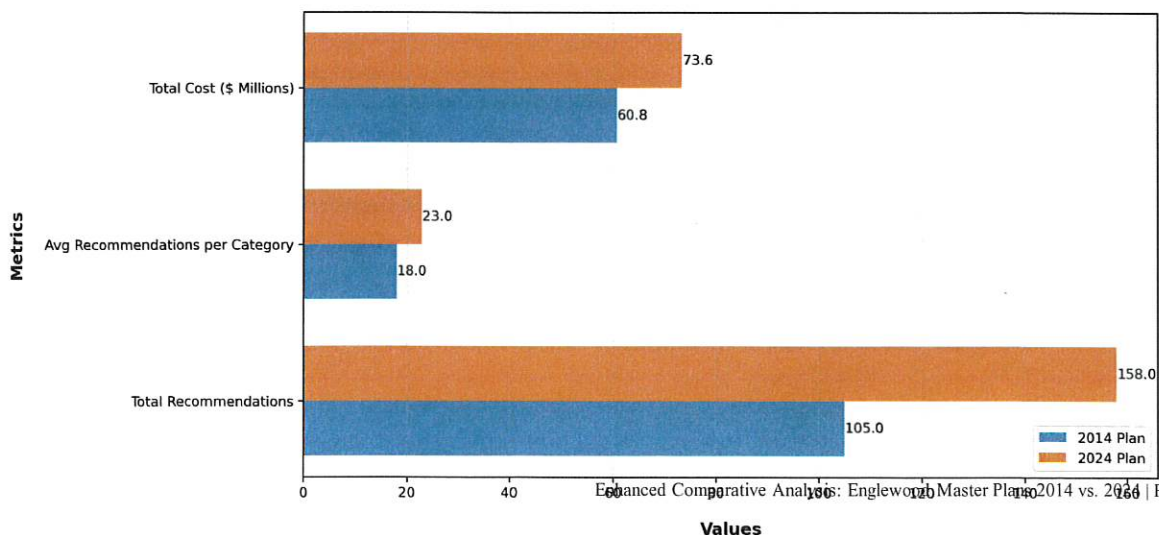
### 2014 Adopted Plan:

- 105 recommendations across 6 categories
- Average of 18 recommendations per category
- Estimated total cost: \$60,777,932  
(Presented in 2024 dollars as adjusted for inflation)
- Cost per recommendation in 2024 dollars: \$578,837

### 2024 Draft Plan:

- 158 recommendations across 7 categories
- Average of 23 recommendations per category
- Total cost: \$73,600,000
- Cost per recommendation: \$465,823

Englewood Master Plans: 2014 vs 2024 Side-by-Side Comparison (Updated)



## ***Key Changes for 2024***

### **1. Climate Resilience and Sustainability:**

- 2024 plan introduces comprehensive Climate Change-Related Hazard Vulnerability Assessment
- New focus on green infrastructure and renewable energy
- Enhanced storm water management and flood mitigation strategies

### **2. Technology Integration:**

- Smart city initiatives
- Electric vehicle infrastructure
- Modern parking systems

### **3. Social Equity and Inclusion:**

- Expanded, *Court-approved* affordable housing strategies
- Equitable distribution of resources across each of the City's four (4) Wards
- Enhanced community engagement processes

## ***New in the 2024 Plan***

1. Standalone Historic Preservation Element
2. Comprehensive Recycling Program
3. Smart Growth Principles Integration
4. Enhanced Public Arts Programming
5. Modernized Transportation Approaches

## ***Financial Implications***

The 8.2% increase in total costs (\$73,600,000 vs \$60,777,932) reflects:

- Inflation adjustments
- Expanded scope of services
- Technology infrastructure investments
- Climate resilience measures

## ***Conclusion***

The 2024 Master Plan demonstrates a more comprehensive, forward-thinking approach to City planning. The 8.2% increase in both recommendations and costs reflects a deeper commitment to addressing modern urban challenges, sustainability, and community needs. The DRAFT 2024 Master Plan's enhanced focus on climate resilience, technology integration, and social equity positions Englewood for more sustainable and inclusive growth in the future. When adjusted for inflation at an annual rate of 2.72%, the 2024 recommendations cost significantly less (\$113,014) than those presented in 2014.



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