

## Appendix A: Community Visioning Session Results

City of Staples, MN - Steering Committee Visioning Session   4/10/2019						
What is unique?	What is missing?	Arts/Culture	Education	Dining	Retail	Recent Wins
Centrally Located	Better High School	Virtual Tour of Staples	Cooking Classes	Farm to Table / Healthy Food	Mall	Timberlake Hotel & The Timbers
Batcher Block Opera House	Movie Theater	Dinner Theater	Expanded Continuing Education Classes at CLC	Pipeline from Culinary Programs to Restaurants	Quilt Shop	Hospital Addition
Regional Draw	Lakes	Touring Concerts & Plays	Support for the School Referendum	Outdoor Patios	Clothing Shops - not secondhand	New Housing (Apts & Townhomes)
A Reason to Stop on Highway 10	Brewery/Taphouse	Public Performance Spaces	Career Prep / Apprenticeship Programs	Dining Guide	Specialty Dessert Shops	New Library / City Hall
Amtrak Station	Destination Dining	Black Box Theater	Centralized Location for Arts Classes	Increased Variety	Heritage Retail	Highway 10 Development - Fargo to MPLS
Crow Wing River	Performance Space	Expanded Farmers Market	Health Education	Seafood / Sushi	Sporting Goods	New Bridge
Dower Lake	Additional Community Marketing	Internet Café		Local Food	Record Store / Recording Studio	Trails Expansion
Proximity to Highway 10	Telling our Story	Signature Event		Food Trucks		Depot Renovation
Strong Arts Community	Youth Activities	Expansion of Railroad Days		Experiential Dining		CLC Remodel
High School Performing Arts	Cohesive Downtown	Trails / Biking				Sourcewell Expansion
Multiple Arts Councils	Mid-range Housing	Student Performance Opportunities				Ernie's Move
The Culture - A "Can Do" Attitude	Increased Transportation Options	Theater Residency				Steady Growth

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Hospitality	Tourist Activities	Visual Arts Opportunities				Brainerd Childrens Museum
Central Lakes College (CLC)	Visitors Guide to Staples	Artist Residency				Brewery in Wadena
New Housing	Shopping	Region-wide Collaborative Arts Effort				Broadband Expansion
The Vintage of Staples	Historic District Designation					Sprout Marketplace
Tower Pizza	TIF/Tax Districts					CLC Ag Focus
The Name!						
Broadband						
Five Wings Arts Council						
Sourcewell						
Region 5 Development Comission						
Healthcare Access						
Timberlake Hotel						
Town History						
Longest Pier						
Parks						
Downtown Architecture						
Depot Museum (in the works)						
Legacy Gardens						
CLC Winery						
Veterans Park						

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Everybody Knows Everybody	Movie Theater	Children's Arts Events	Culinary	Diversity of Options	Boutiques
Fine Arts	Clothing & Retail Options	Diversity of Arts Offerings	Commercial Kitchen	Brewery / Distillery	Pop-Up Shops
Men's Chorus	Bike / Walking Paths	Arts & Agriculture Tie	Makers Classes	Olive Garden	Artisan Gift Shops
HS Orchestra	Bowling Alley	Footbridge / Connectivity	Visual Arts Classes	Expanded Hours at Restaurants - Late Night Food	Makerspace
"The City That Sings"	Unconventional Ideas	Theater	Performing Arts Classes	Food at the Coffee Shop / Bakery	Furniture Store
Batcher Block Opera House	Restaurants	Dinner Theater	Skilled Trades / Vocational	Experiential Dining	Local Stores
Railroad Town / History	Roller Skating	Infill Garden / Pocket Park	Computer Classes	Food Trucks	Heritage Retail
Active Organizations	Industrial Development	Telling Our Story	iPhone / iPad Classes		Variety
Longest Pier	Youth Activities	Touring Bands & Venues for Them			Baby / Toddler (not secondhand)
Crow Wing River	Indoor Ice Skating	Public Art / Murals	Foreign Language Classes		
Dower Lake	Renovated School Building	Incentive Program for Artists	Yoga For Men		
The Vintage of Staples	Daycare	Artists in Residence	Rooftop Yoga		
Amtrak Station		Coordinated Efforts by Arts Groups	Beer Choir		
CLC		Outdoor Performance Space	Painting Classes		
Airport		TV Studio	Web-Based Classes		
School Music Programs		Art Gallery	Dance / Movement		
Coffee Shop		Finished Auditorium			
Highway 10		Downtown as a District			

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Community Center					
Ag Businesses					
School Auditorium					
Legacy Gardens					
Downtown Architecture					
Entryway into Staples - Aesthetically Pleasing					
Timberlake Hotel					
Lakewood Health					
Good Healthcare / Access					
Parks & Campground					
Volunteerism					
Civic-Minded Residents					
New Library / City Hall					
Low Unemployment / Strong Employer Base					
Railroad Days					
Overpass					

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CLC	Movie Theater	Live Music	Painting / Visual Art	More Than Pizza!	Pop-up Boutiques
Overpass	Restaurants	Winery / Brewery	Pottery	International	Sporting Goods Store
History - Railroad Town	Connectivity / Paths	Tour Route - Tourism	Foreign Language	Vietnamese	River Outfitters
Great Schools	Bowling Alley	Improv / Comedy	Travel	Healty Options	Expanded Grocery Options
Choir	Retail	Dog Park	Cooking	Farm to Table Restaurants	Bookstore
Music / Orchestra	Gathering Space / Hangout Spot	Footbridge	Mixology	Locally Sourced Restaurants	Record Store
Legacy Garden	Sauna	Golf Course Attendance		Brewery / Winery	
Visibility From Highway	Community Garden	Outdoor Theater & Movies		Deli	
Healthcare Access	Racquetball	Ice Skating Attendance		Smoothies	
Lakewood Health Systems		Social Arts Groups			
Morey's					
Longest Pier					
Region 5 Development					
Five Wings Arts Council					
Sourcewell					

**City of Staples, MN - High School Visioning Session | 4/25/2019**

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Railroad Days	Downtown Community Garden	Good artists	ACT Prep course	Ice Cream	Name brand clothing
Train	More things for youth	Community art classes	Medical classes	Noodles	Boutiques
Schools / Community Arts Program	Bowling Alley	Art in the Park	Job / career fair	Taco Bell	Craft Stores
New School referendum	Movie Theater	Music in the park (more often)	Apprenticeships	Healthier options	Shoe Stores
Lakewood Health	Walking + Bike path	Missing our legacy	Good drinking water	Jimmy Johns	Furniture
Family-owned businesses	A cleaned-up community (no vacant homes)	Art shows	Community CPR classes	Starbucks	Strip Mall
Laser tag	More sculptures	Makers Market	Basic emergency classes	A&W	Costco
Walking / bike path	Downtown sculptures, murals, greenery	Community festivals	Year round swim classes	Cooking club	Travel Center
Tower Pizza	Williams Floral	Different themes of events	Photography	Seafood	Fishing / Sports Store
Sourcewell	Lincoln Model School	More festivals	Music composition	Food for dietary restrictions	White House
CLC	Waterpark	Cultural Bazaar	Foreign Language	Chinese	
Shooting Range	Welcoming to other cultures	Improve RR days event		Whole Foods / organic store	
Dinosaur Park	Social clubs: art, recreation, hobbies	DT Street vendors		Salad place	
Largest pier in MN	Skatepark	Large Concerts		Community potluck	
Holst Acres	Nicer weight room	Arts / Food trucks		Cook-off	
Golf course	Mini golf	Kids Painting & Music in the park		Buffalo Wild Wings	
Stomping Grounds	Chain stores			Ice Cream Truck	
Timbers	Candy store			International Bazaar	
The Bakery	Bingo				
River	Develop Daws Lake				
Campgrounds					
Farmers Market					
Fishing / Kayaking					
Ted & Gen's BBQ					