Why do we need a city plan? Who needs an articulate spatial vision of future development and why, that simulatneously includes elements for spatial intervention? In present times of globalisation, crumbling boundaries, use of information technology, social restructuring, liberal economy and changing paradigms of (spatial) development in cities and urban regions, who needs such a document, if at all? If the answer to the last question is affirmative, then two new questions arise, what is the form of this document, what are its contents and how can we achieve such an articulate document in the planning process?

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