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The objectives of this study are to trace back to the evolution of
the Muang Nakhon Si Thammarat community from the past to the present, to stu
and examine the present condition of the community's urban development and
existing problems, to predict the trend of the community in the future, and
propose the guidelines of urban development for the community.

According to the finding, the community has evolved for along time
which is devided into three periods. In the first period, the community
originated in the area of the ancient city. Continually, the area of the
ancient city, in the second period, has expanded slong the north-and-sorth
sand dune, wich has resulted in the linear-type community ranging in distanc
about ten kibmetres. At present, the community is gradually expanding into t
western area, Hua-ITT, and into the eastern area along Pattanakarn Khukhwany
Rd. This trend of the community's expansion is continuing.

Resulting from the expansion along the sand dune in the second
period, certain problems have occurred at present. They includes the problem
of center-reaching accessibility and the traffic congestion on major roads.
Similarly, the present expansion in the western and eastern areas in facing
the inadequacy of public facilities and utilities.

In an effort to solve the existing problems and to prepare the
adeqacy of space in order to accommodate the expansion in the future, the st
therefore, is also focusing on the guidlines for the urban development in th
community. The guidelines presented here are two alternatines; on one hand,
urban development should be planned in accordance with the condition of the
continuing expansion; or it should be planned along the former sand dune in
south of the community in order to preseove the linear-type identity of the
community, on the other hand.