



MEETING NOTES

Maplewood 2040 Comprehensive Plan

Steering Committee #5 – Final Meeting

Thursday, February 22, 2018, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Location: Fire House #2

Attendees

Steering Committee Members

Joy Tkachuck

Bill Kempe

Kathy Juenemann

Jonathon Schmelz

Laura Keithahn

John Gasper

George Gonzalez

Paul Arbuckle

Nora Slawik

Fred Dahm

Joshua Vang

Brian Finley

Staff

Melinda Coleman

Michael Martin

Virginia Gaynor

DuWayne Konewko

Audra Robbins

Steve Love

Jason Brash

Chris Swanson

Rita Trapp, HKGi

1. Welcome

Members of the Steering Committee were welcomed and Trapp introduced the agenda for the evening, describing briefly each of the agenda items.

2. Project Process and Schedule Update

Planning Consultant Trapp updated the Steering Committee on the schedule, noting that the process continues to be on schedule.

3. Community Engagement Input

Planning Consultant Trapp walked the Steering Committee through the public meetings that were held during Phase 2 of Public Engagement. Trapp also discussed the online outreach that was conducted. Most of the engagement the city received was in relation to the Lion's Park neighborhood – this included a petition that was submitted to the city. The feedback gathered informed the changes that are being proposed tonight to the plan.

4. Revised 2040 Comprehensive Plan

Lion's Park: Planning Consultant Trapp outlined existing conditions; again emphasized public feedback and outlined three potential staff would like the Steering Committee to

consider. City Manager Coleman then addressed Steering Committee to describe the feedback she has received and her perspectives from a staff capacity perspective. City Manager Coleman is supportive of changing direction in the proposed plan for the Lion's Park Neighborhood.

Steering Committee Member Jonathon Schmelz stated he likes idea of leaving the guide of the residential properties the same as their 2030 designation but including the callout box as a way to memorize the work done in the neighborhood and let's future city council know what the thinking was.

Mayor Nora Slawik agreed a callout box is effective in documenting history. Steering Committee Member George Gonzalez stated city got off on the wrong foot with the neighborhood and now will have to go back and work with the neighborhood. Steering Committee Member Joy Tkachuck likes the callout box option as it signals the city is listening but still reflects what work has been done. Tkachuck also stated, once you get off wrong foot it takes a while to get back to where you want to – this is not going to happen in one day. Steering Committee Member Dahm asked to clarify if steering committee is being asked for recommendation. Councilmember Juenemann also agreed with callout box approach but suggested it also state city is not intending to force anything but intent was to keep future open for opportunities for existing property owners. Steering Committee Member Schmelz suggested using the language that was used in previous meetings – stating decisions are made by property owners alone Steering Committee Member Brian Finley agreed that callout box was a good idea and had questions about the Metropolitan Council process.

The Steering Committee was asked if there was a consensus of leaving the residential land use guides the same as what is in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan but include a callout box that indicated the neighborhood planning process be conducted upon construction of the Gold Line and that members of that neighborhood would be included on the task force. The Steering Committee indicated there was a consensus in moving forward in this direction. Trapp offered the opportunity for anyone with a differing view to speak and no one did.

Guiding Principles: Planning Consultant Trapp outlined what was changes were made from last meeting. This included creating a separate Guiding Principles chapter and renaming the Resilience Chapter to Sustainability. City Manager Coleman outlined her conversations at a recent conference and how many issues Maplewood is tackling and achieving. Public Works Director Steve Love communicated he likes the changes. Steering Committee Member Laura Keithahn also communicated that she appreciated how the chapter is laid out and that it is easy to read and contains good graphics.

Implementation: Planning Consultant Trapp outlined this new chapter, which was created since the previous draft and gave an outline of it. Trapp also stated it could be used as a marketing tool or checklist by staff.

Items of interest to Steering committee: Steering Committee Member Paul Arbuckle indicated he wants to ensure there is language included in the plan that states budget concerns must be taken into consideration before any decisions are made.

5. Public Comments

No members of the general public were present for this portion of the meeting.

6. Next Steps

Planning Consultant Trapp detailed what steps are next. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on March 20. The City Council will consider approval of distribution of the draft plan on April 9. A council workshop will be held in November to go over any comments received during the review period – the Steering Committee will be invited to this workshop. A question was asked about the Rice-Larpenteur Vision Plan and how does it get included or referenced in the comprehensive plan. Staff will consider options to address this question.

The Steering Committee was asked if there was a consensus of approval of the entire plan from the group. The Steering Committee indicated there was a consensus of approval.

2040 Comprehensive Plan Update

Fire Station No. 2

Date: February 22, 2018

Sign-In Sheet

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| 2. | Jason Brash | 23. | |
| 3. | George Gonzalez | 24. | |
| 4. | Michael Martin | 25. | |
| 5. | Chris Swanson | 26. | |
| 6. | Melinda Coleman | 27. | |
| 7. | Joy Tkachuck | 28. | |
| 8. | JOHN GASPAR | 29. | |
| 9. | Jonathan Schmelz | 30. | |
| 10. | Mary Louf | 31. | |
| 11. | Don Kosowko | 32. | |
| 12. | STEVIE Lou | 33. | |
| 13. | Kathy Gullone | 34. | |
| 14. | ADDA KORBITZ | 35. | |
| 15. | Fred Dekker | 36. | |
| 16. | Ginny Guyner | 37. | |
| 17. | Laura Kertland | 38. | |
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