

Heritage & Urban Form Sub-Committee Notes from Public Kick-Off Meeting January 26, 2016

Overview

The chair is Polly Singer Eardley. The staff lead is Megan Chan and the additional staff is Joe Kane. The committee meets on the third Thursday of each month from 5-7PM at the Planning Commission Office at 230 East Main Street. The general topics are as follows:

- Urban/Ag divide – Review histories and purposes, regulations to support continued success of each.
- Form Based Codes or Overlays? (Mixed Use Districts, etc.)
- Community Appearance & Design
- Transitions between districts
- Traffic Calming
- Enforcement
- Infill
- Incentives for low impact design/density/affordable housing
- Density bonuses/lot sizes
- Street sections
- Downtowns
- Georgetown/Stamping Ground/Sadieville Downtown
- Downtown Master Plan (do we want for Georgetown or all three cities?)
- H-1 district and Architectural Review Board (ARB)
- Neighborhoods
- Neighborhood planning elements, how-to's & priorities
- Wellness program
- Partnerships
- Funding programs
- Usable park space, land dedication with major subdivisions
- Access to parks and other facilities
- Homeowners Associations (Don't want to compete with city efforts)

Long-Term Vision Activity

"Imagine Scott County in 2040. What does it look like?"

Visioning ideas were categorized and written on paper on the walls for everyone to see. The goal was to encourage attendees to share their long-term vision for Scott County, including:

1. Wants, needs, etc.
2. What's missing in our community that you'd like to have?
3. Categorize comments as physical/environmental, social, or economic

The comments below were submitted under the categories of Physical, Social, and Economic. They were then assigned to subcommittees based on their best fit. Some comments are listed under multiple subcommittees due to their complex nature.

Physical

- Lit alleyways downtown
- Fix downtown sidewalks not just Main Street
- Sidewalks connecting neighborhoods
- Safe bike lanes & pedestrian friendly shopping areas
- Landscaping of main roads and entrances to Georgetown
- Phase out motor transport in favor of pedestrianism, as demanded by Comp Plan 2011-2016 pp 3,4,5.
- Historic downtown- vibrant & restored
- Organized developments with aesthetic controls
- Underground utilities in the whole county

Social

- Arts community using “downtown” space in Stamping Ground
- Restaurant, café, a la Midway in S.G.
- Continuing heritage of small churches throughout county

Economic

- Become more of a “destination” for restaurants, shopping, entertainment, emphasize distillery heritage, horses, other KY elements
- Develop artistic community in downtown Stamping Ground

Growth Management Activity

“We’ve had a rapid annual growth rate and are expected to reach a county-wide population of 100,000 people by 2040 (twice our current pop). What do we need to be doing to prepare for that kind of growth?” Participants were asked to write responses on post-it notes to place on the wall. After the meeting, the comments were assigned to subcommittees based on their best fit. Some comments are listed under multiple subcommittees due to their complex nature.

- Sidewalks throughout the community

Draft Vision Statement-Heritage & Urban Form

Draft Work Plan

Feb 2016

1. Introduction and history

2. Overall and committee level vision statements
3. Work plan
4. Distribute and review exiting documents
5. Distribute proposed guiding principles

March 2016

6. Scenario planning joint exercise (separate meeting)
7. Review existing guiding principles and goals
8. Propose new guiding principles and goals

April 2016

9. Revise guiding principles and goals
10. Chair and staff follow-up: prepare draft for review by steering committee – due by 5/10/16 for the 5/17 steering committee meeting

May 2016

11. Public Meeting
12. Start digging deeper

June 2016

13. Shift focus to implementation, measures, follow-up, etc.

July 2016

14. Shift focus to implementation, measures, follow-up, etc.

August 2016

15. Shift focus to implementation, measures, follow-up, etc.
16. Staff begins compiling draft Comp Plan

September 2016

17. Review and revise draft Comp Plan Element

October 2016

18. Receive public feedback on the draft
19. Review and revise draft Comp Plan Element

November 2016 (NO COMMITTEE MEETING)

20. Final review and endorsement by the Steering Committee and Planning Commission

December 2016 (NO COMMITTEE MEETING)

21. Bring to legislative bodies for adoption