

## **Georgetown-Scott County Planning Commission**

### Human Services & Community Building Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 24th, 2016

In Attendance:           Megan Chan, Staff           Matt Summers, Staff  
                                  John Carter, Staff         Alaina Hagenseker, Staff  
                                  Theo Leverenz            Scott Mitchell  
                                  Frank Allen               Millie Conway  
                                  William Richardson      Chip Richardson  
                                  Marty Carpenter

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The meeting convened in the Planning Office at 5:00 p.m.

#### Welcome & Introductions

Megan Chan welcomed everyone to the meeting and said that this meeting would focus on the **transportation aspect** of the goals and Alaina Hagenseker discussed the Google Groups and her research on the comparable cities and the categories chosen for comparison.

#### Goals Introduction

Megan Chan discussed the steps to achieve the goals and visions of the sub-committee. The time line and work plan was discussed. She broke down the goals into "easier to understand" clusters. The sub-goals looked at tonight were:

1. Housing Issues
2. Education

#### Goals Introduction

Megan Chan addressed the drafted goals and read them to the committee. Then the committee read through and discussed the drafted cluster goals the categories and made any changes that were needed. The committee reviewed and revised the previously discussed draft vision statement and the draft fundamental principles as well. The revised draft vision statement is:

*Scott County is a community based upon values and respect for all. It benefits from high quality of life, accessible public services, and collaborative community partnerships. Our community members have diverse and welcoming locations and opportunities to work, gather, play, learn, and support each other in times of need. Scott County is a community where affordable housing is available, accessible, and kept in good condition. Low income, homeless, and disabled individuals have access to housing, food, and workforce training.*

The revised Draft Fundamental Principles are as follows:

- All Scott County citizens should have access to a **high** standard of living and human services, including but not limited to: arts & cultural enrichment opportunities, quality housing, shelter, public transportation, food, health care, education, employment, and senior care.
- All Scott Countians should have safe and sanitary housing to meet the needs of a diverse population with varying income levels, household size and type, and special housing needs.
- The community values its numerous "Quality of Life Partnerships," which promote and nurture strong, diverse, and safe environments, where people have opportunities for cross-neighborhood/cultural interaction.
- Scott Countians should have access to quality education and workforce development throughout their lifetime.

- Funding for partnerships and opportunities comes from a variety of sources, i.e., city, civic, religious groups, county, college, private business and industry, and participants in the many activities.

**The revised draft cluster goals are:**

1. Encourage a full spectrum of quality housing options for residents of all income levels and all stages of life.
2. Encourage the creation and expansion of affordable housing opportunities.
3. Overcome financial barriers to affordable housing.
4. Preserve existing housing stock.
5. Rehabilitate or replace dilapidated housing units.
6. Preserve and strengthen the fabric of existing neighborhoods
7. Enforce property maintenance.
8. Encourage quality educational opportunities for all Scott Countians throughout their lifetime.
9. Encourage training opportunities for a wide range of skills reflective of those needed by regional employers.
10. Encourage collaboration, integration with long-range planning with local educational programs and regional employers
11. Encourage a global perspective for educational purposes.
12. Offer job fairs that include opportunities for on-the-job training.

Moving Forward

Megan Chan discussed the homework for next time, which is to review the goals and objectives and to send any comments to staff.

Logistics, Details, & Dates

The next meeting will be on March 28<sup>th</sup> from 5-7PM at the Scott County Extension office for the Scenario planning meeting and the next sub-committee meeting will be on Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 5-7PM at the Planning Commission Office.

Scenario Planning

Megan Chan discussed the change of date for the Scenario planning meeting which will take part on March 28<sup>th</sup> from 5-7PM at the Scott County Extension office. He told the committee what the purpose of the scenario meeting is. Some changes that have been made will be that the group will be separated in three groups where each group will look at one scenario each to have a longer discussion about each scenario.

There was no other business to discuss and the meeting was adjourned.