

Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Meeting

MAPC Large Conference Room, 10th Floor, City Hall
3:45-5:30 p.m., December 4, 2013

Discussion Highlights & Points of Agreement:

Attendance - Plan Steering Committee:

Stacie Christie, Peggy Elliott, Susan Estes, David Foster, Bryan Frye, Joe Johnson, Ken Lee, Cindy Miles, Mitch Mitchell, Richard Ranzau, James Roseboro, George Sherman

Attendance - Project Staff:

Stephen Banks, Dave Barber, Scott Knebel, Jess McNeely, John Schlegel, Scott Wadle

1. Welcome -

The meeting was called to order by Peggy Elliott.

2. Committee Workshop Session:

Continued Discussion on Wichita Growth Scenario Development -

- The Committee reviewed and approved additional revisions/refinements to the Wichita 2035 Growth Scenario #1 - *Baseline Trends* map as presented by staff. Staff also distributed revised cost estimation sheets for the Baseline Trends scenario that reflect a reduction in new infrastructure costs by approximately \$600 million. Staff also presented the Committee with a homework assignment to complete a 'needs and wants assessment and priority ranking' of each currently planned infrastructure project listed in the Baseline Trend scenario (that either improves community quality of life or supports future Wichita employment and population growth). The Committee requested that staff email them an electronic copy of these forms that can then be completed and returned to staff for tabulation prior to the next Committee meeting on December 18th.

- The Committee provided feedback to staff on the current map depictions of the Wichita 2035 Growth Scenario #2 - *Constrained Baseline Trends* (no constructed NW Bypass by 2035 plus the impacts of rural water districts). Suburban growth will continue to reflect housing market demand in suburban school districts. Some growth will likely still occur in the rural water service areas despite concerns about prohibitive land development costs for water service in these areas. This map also reflects the re-allocation of the baseline trend jobs located along the NW Bypass to other areas of west and northwest Wichita, assuming that the NW Bypass is not be constructed by 2035.

- Committee and staff members also discussed development of the Wichita 2035 Growth Scenario #3 - *Suburban and Infill Growth* map. Staff will continue to develop this map to reflect increased levels of redevelopment and infill development throughout the established central city area (with infill development constituting 12% of total new dwelling units forecasted for Wichita by 2035).

- Some Committee members expressed concern that no scenario has been developed yet that reflects a new big idea or radically different approach to future growth and development. Staff indicated that they would be willing to work with the Committee if they had some new ideas or approaches that were viable or possible.

Continued Discussion and Agreement on Emerging Plan Policies, Visions, Goals, Outcomes, etc -

- In the interests of time, Committee agreed to defer to the Committee meeting on December 18th discussion on the remaining ideas/comments/suggestions listed on the back of the agenda.

Staff follow-up items:

- Staff will email Committee members a copy of the homework assignment so that it can be electronically completed and returned to staff by December 12th.

3. Committee Open Discussion -

None

4. Set Next Steering Committee Meeting -

December 18, 2013, 3:45-5:30 p.m. in the MAPC Large Conference Room, 10th Floor, City Hall

5. Comments from Public Attendees -

Clarification regarding certain parcels depicted on the vacant and agricultural land classification map.

6. Adjourned - 5:40 p.m.