

**WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY
METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

DATE: January 21, 2015
TO: Advance Plans Committee
FROM: David Barber AICP, Advanced Plans Manager
RE: **NOTICE - January 29, 2015 Advance Plans Committee Meeting**

Meeting Agenda

1. Approve minutes of the January 15, 2015 Advance Plans Committee meeting
2. Review and Discuss *DER2015-02 Proposed Amendments to the "U" University Zoning District*

Please be advised that the next meeting of the Advance Plans Committee has been set for **7:35 am, Thursday, January 29, 2015** in the Planning Director's Conference Room, 10th Floor, City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss a proposed amendment to the "U" University Zoning District that would allow for the development of WSU's proposed Innovation Campus initiative.

A copy of a staff briefing memo on this agenda item has been prepared by Scott Knebel and has been attached as a separate PDF file to this notice. The minutes from the January 15, 2015 Advance Plans Committee meeting have been included on the second page of this meeting notice for your review.

Hope to see you all on January 29th.

Advance Plans Committee

Summary of Meeting

7:35 a.m., January 15, 2015

Attendance

AP Committee Members: David Dennis, Joe Johnson, Don Klausmeyer, John McKay, Debra Miller Stevens
MAPD staff: Stephen Banks, Dave Barber, Scott Knebel, John Schlegel
Others: Cindy Miles

Discussion Summary

1. The Advance Plans Committee approved the summary of the September 25, 2014 Committee meeting and the agenda for the January 15, 2015 Committee meeting.
2. Cindy Miles, Co-chair of Plan Steering Committee developing the Community Investments Plan (the new comprehensive plan for Wichita-Sedgwick County) provided a summary of the various elements of the working draft Community Investments Plan. The purpose of this presentation was to inform as well as to receive comments and feedback on the working draft Plan.

The following is a summary of major comments/feedback provided by the Committee members:

- *Wichita 2035 Future Growth Concept Map* - concern expressed that the small cities surrounding Wichita will constrain the further outward and expansion of Wichita. Suburban growth will continue to be an important element of Wichita's future growth patterns. School districts have fueled the growth experienced by the small cities surrounding Wichita over the last couple of decades
 - *Wichita Urban Infill Strategy*- encourage infill development throughout the Established Central Area by reducing City fees and charges associated with the development approval and building construction process. Staff explained that the Plan is a high-level planning policy document that cannot get into implementation details and specifics. These implementation initiatives will follow if and when the high-level planning policies are supported and approved as part of this Plan.
 - *Plan Elements – Water, Sewer & Stormwater* – add a 'quote' on page 32 that speaks to the need to invest in maintaining and replacing aging water and sewer distribution systems.
 - *General comments* – Both senior city/county staff support and elected officials support will be essential to ensure the allocation of financial and staff resources to implement the priorities set forth in this plan
3. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.