

## Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Meeting

MAPC Large Conference Room, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, City Hall

4:00-5:30 p.m., Jun 17, 2015

### ***Discussion Highlights & Points of Agreement:***

#### *Attendance - Plan Steering Committee:*

Stacy Christie, Mitch Coffman, Susan Estes, David Foster, Bryan Frye, Joe Johnson, John McKay, Cindy Miles, Randy Oliver, Bill Ramsey, Gary Schmitt, Debra Miller Stevens

#### *Attendance - Project Staff:*

Stephen Banks, Dave Barber, Scott Knebel, John Schlegel

### **1. Welcome -**

The meeting was called to order by Susan Estes.

### **2. Review City Council & Community Outreach Feedback on the Draft Plan -**

*City Council Feedback* - The Committee reviewed and discussed the feedback received from the April 23<sup>rd</sup> Wichita City Council workshop on the Draft Plan. The Committee concurred with the feedback from the City Council and also directed staff to make the following edits to the Plan:

- Clarify and highlight the fact that existing adopted area and neighborhood plans will be included as more detailed elements of the new Community Investments Plan.

*Community Outreach Feedback* - The Committee reviewed and discussed the summary of feedback received to date from the 2015 community engagement efforts on the Draft Plan.

Discussion focused on the following topics with the resulting Committee concurrence:

- Public transit – Proposed Strategy A. “Develop and implement a long-term public transit system plan that reflects the needs of our community” is still appropriate at a high policy planning level in light of the feedback received.
- Accelerated Plan Growth Rate (1.25%) – It is appropriate to develop this Plan around this aspirational accelerated growth rate. These increased rates of economic growth are vital and necessary for our community, and there is no down-side to this approach as long as the Plan is keep current with future change.

### **3. Discuss Possible Revisions to the March 5, 2015 version of the Draft Community Investments Plan -**

The Committee provided recommendations to staff on the following possible revisions to the Draft Plan (developed by staff independent of the community engagement feedback):

- Add a new Strategy D in the Transportation Element on page 31 that advocates for the development and implementation of a public and/or privately developed community-wide broadband infrastructure and high-speed internet access plan to support future job and employment growth.
- Modify the language in the Transportation Element (pgs. 6, 30-31) to clarify that the word ‘transportation’ in the broadest of terms refers to the movement of goods, people and information.
- Add clarifying information to the Urban Infill Strategy on page 25 to explain that increased levels of residential infill/redevelopment throughout the Established Central Area are projected to represent 12% of total new dwelling units forecasted for Wichita by 2035 (a three-fold increase from current trends).
- Modify the proposed Neighborhood Concerns Strategy on page 26 by adding the following additional sentence, “Develop basic infill development design guidelines that would be applicable throughout the Established Central Area.”
- Modify the proposed *Priority Enhancement Areas for Wichita Public Infrastructure Projects Map* on page 35 as recommended by staff.

- Add a new Strategy G in the Arts, Culture and Recreation Element on page 33 that says, “Establish a task force to identify opportunity areas and regulatory adjustments necessary to support agri-tourism in the unincorporated areas of Sedgwick County.”
- Modify the photo on page 9 to include a more current aerial view of the City.

**4. REMINDER Wichita City Council Workshop - 9:30 a.m., June 23, 2015 -**

On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Wichita City Council will continue its in-depth review and discussion of specific goals and strategies contained in the draft Community Investments Plan. Committee members are encouraged to attend this workshop if possible.

**5. Next Committee Meeting - June 24, 2015**

**6. Comments from Public Attendees -**

Concerned that WAMPO’s Move 2040 MTP contains a typo error regarding WAMPO project funding amounts for the 127<sup>th</sup> Street improvements.

**7. Adjourned - 5:30 p.m.**