# Heritage & Urban Form Sub-Committee Comprehensive Plan Update

Thursday, February 18, 2016 5:00-7:00pm 230 East Main Street, Georgetown, KY 40324

#### **AGENDA**

<b>Time</b> 5:00-5:15pm	<ul> <li>Topic</li> <li>Welcome and Introductions</li> <li>Staff Introductions</li> <li>Committee Member Introductions</li> </ul>
5:15-5:45pm	<ul> <li>Comp Plan Process &amp; Committee Role</li> <li>History of the Comprehensive Plan</li> <li>Where are we and where are we going?</li> <li>Kick-Off Meeting Feedback</li> <li>What's our role?</li> <li>Process and Timeline</li> <li>Distribution of Existing Goals &amp; Objectives</li> </ul>
5:45-7:00pm	Vision and Fundamental Principles <ul> <li>Distribution of New Materials</li> <li>Overall Community Vision</li> <li>Sub-Committee level vision statement</li> <li>Sub-Committee level fundamental principles</li> </ul>

#### Homework:

- 1. Review the committee vision statements and fundamental principles
- 2. Read the existing element's goals and objectives and take notes:
  - a. Compare it to the new vision and fundamental principles
  - b. Is the information still relevant?
  - c. What might need to change?
  - d. Is there anything you would add?

# **Upcoming Dates:**

- 1. Next Sub-Committee Meeting:
  - a. Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016
  - b. 5:00-7:00pm
  - c. Planning Commission Office, 230 East Main Street, Georgetown, KY 40324
- 2. All-Committee Scenario Planning:
  - a. Monday, March 21st, 2016
  - b. 5:00-7:00pm
  - c. Scott County Extension Office 1130 Cincinnati Road, Georgetown, KY 40324

# **Heritage & Urban Form Committee Purpose**

#### What's Our Role?

We envision your help in the following areas as we review and revise past text and prepare new material for the update to the Comprehensive Plan. You will:

- 1. Review and guide content revisions
- 2. Be community focused
- 3. Solutions-oriented
- 4. Listen and respect others opinions

We value your opinion and are glad you've decided to help in this process.

# **Overview, Suggested Topics**

- Urban/Ag divide Review histories and purposes, regulations to support continued success of each.
- Building standards and/or Form Based Codes or Overlays? (Mixed Use Districts, etc.)
- Housing variety
- Community Appearance & Design
- Human-scaled design
- Major Corridors
- Transitions between districts
- Traffic Calming
- Enforcement
- Infill
- Incentives for low impact design/density/affordable housing?
- Density bonuses/lot sizes
- Streetscape design, lighting, and street sections (in coordination w/Infrastructure committee)
- 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)
- Preservation of historic districts, site, and structures, community-wide, not just downtown areas
- Neighborhood character, connectivity, elements
- Neighborhood planning elements, how-to's & priorities
- Wellness program
- Partnerships
- Funding programs
- Usable park space, land dedication with major subdivisions (Infrastructure Comm.)
- Access to parks and other facilities (also with Infrastructure Comm.)
- Homeowners Associations (?) acknowledging we don't want to compete with city efforts

#### **Draft Work Plan**

#### Feb 2016

- 1. Introduction and history
- 2. Work plan
- 3. Vision Statements and Guiding Principles
- 4. Distribute goals & objectives matrix

#### March 2016

- 1. Update vision & guiding principles (if necessary)
- 2. Review goals and objectives matrix
- 3. Scenario planning joint exercise (separate meeting on March 21st)

## April 2016

4. Review and propose goals and objectives

## May 2016

- 1. Prepare draft for 2016 Goals and Objectives
- 2. Chair/staff follow-up: due 6/10/16 for use at 6/21/16 steering committee meeting

# June 2016

- 3. Public Meeting
- 4. Revise goals and objectives as needed
- 5. Shift focus to implementation, measures, follow-up, etc.

#### July 2016

6. Implementation, measures, follow-up, etc.

## August 2016

- 7. Implementation, measures, follow-up, etc.
- 8. Staff begins compiling draft Comp Plan

#### September 2016

9. Review and revise draft Comp Plan Element

## October 2016

- 10. Public Meeting
- 11. Receive public feedback on the draft
- 12. Review and revise draft Comp Plan Element

## November 2016 (NO COMMITTEE MEETING)

- 13. Final review and endorsement by the Steering Committee
- 14. Public Hearing at Planning Commission

# December 2016 (NO COMMITTEE MEETING)

15. Bring to legislative bodies for adoption

# Notes from Public Kick-Off Meeting January 26, 2016

# **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:**

Scott County attracts new residents, visitors, and businesses with its heritage and built environment, while retaining its small-town character and historic sites. Educational opportunities regarding our community's history and buildings is readily available to the public through the Scott County Museum, Georgetown/Scott County Tourism Commission, local heritage sites, and educational programming. Overlay districts for historic downtown areas and major corridors protect and enhance our historic resources and commercial districts through preservation, design guidelines, and predictable urban form.

# **Draft Fundamental Principles - Heritage & Urban Form:**

- Our local heritage is an asset to the community; our heritage includes cultural resources and knowledge, history, traditions, historic buildings, and historic sites.
- Preservation of historic districts, sites, and structures helps retain our local culture and heritage.
- New construction and renovation should complement existing character and form.
   Quality materials and consistent design add value to the overlay areas and to the community as a whole.
- Our downtowns (Georgetown, Sadieville, and Stamping Ground) play a major role in our cultural identify, local governance, and economic activity. Care should be given to retain and enhance our downtown buildings and character, which have a vast history of incremental development, resilience, and change over time.
- Community gateways and major commercial corridors (areas) are designed for all, with consideration for aesthetics, accessibility, and design at the human-scale.
   Design with these characteristics in mind enhances user experience.