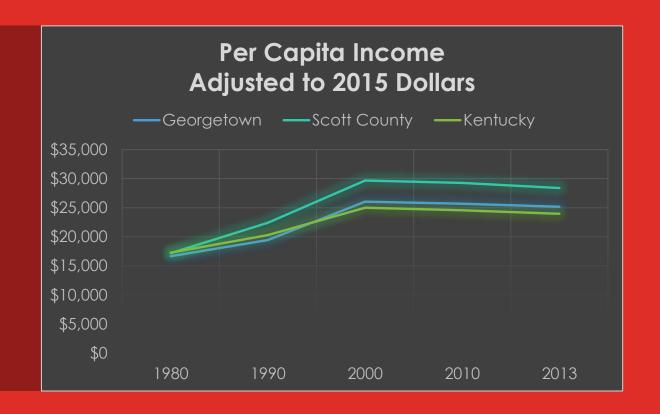
#### **Economic Growth**

August 22, 2016 5:00-7:00pm Planning Commission Office 230 East Main Street



GEORGETOWN-SCOTT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE



## TIME LINE AND WORK PLAN



#### August:

- Future Industrial Park Study
- Action items

## TIME LINE AND WORK PLAN

#### **September & October:**

- No meetings
- Staff: Take Goals and Objectives to Planning Commission and Local Legislative Bodies



## INDUSTRIAL PARKS

What are the things developers and local government should weigh when looking at industrial park development?

### **DEVELOPERS**

# Costs

- Real Estate
- Utilities
- Road Construction

# Benefits

- Increased Property Value
- Profit Margin

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

## Costs

- Road Maintenance (if dedicated)
- Potential Tax Incentives or other pieces of a relocation package
- Additional community services (schools, fire, police, parks, etc.)

# Benefits

- Increased Tax Base
- More Job Opportunities

These action items have been identified through the Goals and Objectives process.

<u>Create a fast track system for small and mid-sized business development approvals.</u>

- How can we create a fast track system for smaller businesses?
- How we determine what is a small or mid-sized business?

Application

- 1st Working day of each month
- •Tech. Review Committee

Planning Commission

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the following month
- Staff and Commission review and opportunity for public comment

Construction Documents

- No Deadline other than sunset clause
- Grading/Stormwater/Site
  Plan/Landscaping/Utilities/etc.







- Examine the B-1 zoning district:
- "This district is to be used for retail trade and personal services enterprises which will meet regular needs of the occupants of surrounding residential areas."
- How can we better define this district?
- What design standards should be looked at?

Create an agricultural advocates committee to establish a policy and operations environment that maintains and enhances a viable agricultural base.

- Is there an existing group that serves this function?
- Scott County Soil Conservation District?

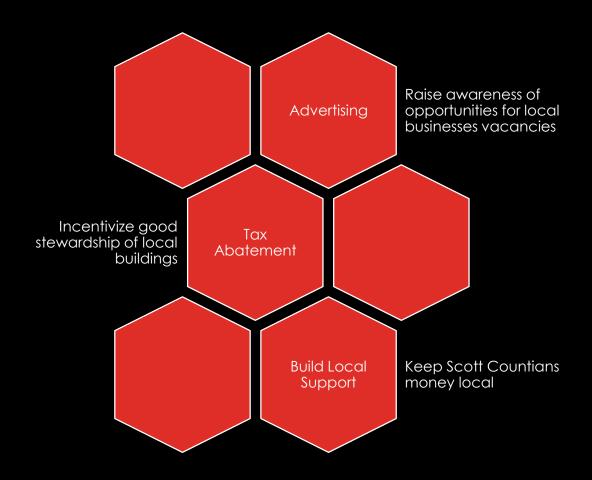




- <u>Support local entrepreneurship through educational and small business assistance programs.</u>
- What type of educational programs exist to help small businesses?
- What types of educational programs would be beneficial to small businesses?
- What small business programs does Scott County currently have?
- What small business programs are successful in other communities?

## <u>Decrease vacancy rates in downtown areas.</u>

 Are there other ways the community can decrease vacancy rates?



**Physical Projects** 

What physical projects need to be done (if any) to meet the goals for Economic Growth?

Create a community that attracts a diverse array of people and businesses.

- Improve local transportation options.
- •Enhance parks and public spaces.
- •Create mixed use development in designated areas.

Create more local business and job opportunities.

• Create an incubator program for new businesses including facilities and community partnerships.

Encourage agricultural economic growth in Scott County.

•Create a pavilion (or other permanent structure) for the Scott County Farmers' Market.

Promote Scott County's image as a good location for industrial development.

• Prepare industrially zoned property with appropriate utilities and roads for easier development.

### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



- Next Sub-Committee Meeting in November
- Goals and Objectives will go to Planning Commission and Legislative Bodies
- Staff will work on the text of the document