

Community Involvement Program

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What is it?

Dates are tentative UPDATED: May 9, 2016 Schedule of Early Implementation Projects



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Elements

- Community Engagement Manual
- Community Involvement Committee
- Legislative requirements
- Programmatic commitments



Community Involvement Shift

GOALS AND POLICIES

Chapter 2: Community Involvement

What is this chapter about?

The goals and policies in this chapter convey the City's intent to:

- Provide a wide range of opportunities for involvement in planning and investment decisions, with targeted access and inclusion in decision making for those who potentially will be adversely affected by the results of those decisions.
- Foster ongoing positive relationships between communities and the City to support accountability for improving community well-being and inclusion.
- Recognize that the City has a responsibility to plan for the needs of, and engage with, under-served and under-represented communities to achieve greater equity.
- Expand opportunities for meaningful community engagement in planning and investment processes, from issue identification and project scoping through implementation, monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and enforcement.
- Promote civic responsibility both within communities and at an individual level.
- Require transparent, well-designed, thoughtful, culturally-specific, relevant, representative, and responsive public processes for planning and investment decisions, implementation, and monitoring.
- Build community capacity to increase the community's meaningful participation and leadership in planning and investment decisions.
- Promote thoughtful consideration of and responses to public comment on planning and investment decisions.

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outreach and engagement





Comprehensive Plan policies related to community involvement

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9 CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

GOAL:

9 Improve the method for citizen involvement in the on-going land use decision-making process and provide opportunities for citizen participation in the implementation, review and amendment of the adopted Comprehensive Plan.

POLICIES & OBJECTIVES:

9.1 Citizen Involvement Coordination

Encourage citizen involvement in land use planning projects by actively coordinating the planning process with relevant community organizations, through the reasonable availability of planning reports to city residents and businesses, and notice of official public hearings to neighborhood associations, business groups, affected individuals and the general public.

9.2 Comprehensive Plan Review

Implement a process for complete review of the Comprehensive Plan on a five year basis which provides opportunities for active involvement by the city's residents, businesses and organizations.

9.3 Comprehensive Plan Amendment

Allow for the review and amendment of the adopted Comprehensive Plan which insures citizen involvement opportunities for the city's residents, businesses and organizations.

9.4 Intergovernmental Cooperation

Promote citizen involvement in land use decisions initiated by other governmental agencies.

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Implementation of 2035 Comprehensive Plan

- New program
 - Supports staff to work toward all Chapter 2 policies
 - Implements specific policies
 - Policy 2.16 directs City to maintain a Community Involvement Program
 - —Policies 1.17 and 2.19 requires an independent Community Involvement Committee
 - -Policy 2.17 requires a community engagement manual





What is it NOT?

Not a prescriptive step-by-step guide to community involvement for the next 20 years





What projects would this program support?

Legislative projects amending the Comprehensive Plan

- Changes to the zoning map or code
- Changes to the TSP
- Changes to goals and policies



Manual

- Guidelines to help staff work toward goals and policies in Chapter 2.
 - Equity Framework
 - Baseline expectations
 - Guiding questions
 - Examples of tools





Community Involvement Committee

- Stewards of the manual
- Advise staff on ongoing and project-specific community involvement practices

Membership and charter to be determined between adoption of the Comprehensive Plan and its implementation





Legislative Requirements

Continuing requirements

- Federal
- State
- City

Proposed Draft includes changes to:

- Title 3
- Title 33





Programmatic commitments

- Develop, monitor, support, evaluate community involvement
- Support the Community Involvement Committee
- Reduce barriers to participation
- Support transparency



Discussion Draft comment themes

- Increase clarity and specificity of language
- Add prescriptive requirements for involvement
- Add specifics about CIC membership
- Give CIC more authority
- Include prescribed metrics





Next Steps

Hearing and Recommendation on June 14, 2016



