



FLINT MASTER PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE Meeting Notes February 3, 2015



Members Present:

Jim Richardson, Co-Chair
Pamela Hawkins
Sandra Robinson
Mona Munroe-Younis
Elizabeth Jordan
John Henry

Raynetta Speed
Charles Tutt
Judy Hovey
Clarence Pierce
Jackie Poplar, City Council

Members Not Present:

Bryant Nolden
Isaiah Oliver
Bob Wesley (excused)
Pamela Hawkins
Richard Boone
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Paul Mattern (excused)
Sandra Robinson (excused)
Linda Boose

Staff Present:

Megan Hunter, Chief Planning Officer
Kristin Stevenson, Planning & Outreach Assistant

Kevin Schronce, Planner II

CALL TO ORDER:

Co-Chair Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm. The meeting was held at the Flint Public Library, 1026 Kearsley St., Flint, MI room 205.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Co-Chair Richardson stated that this is a working meeting of the Master Plan Steering Committee. Therefore, public comment will be limited to the first ten minutes in order to allow for dialogue between Steering Committee members.

No public questions or input were stated.

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE:

Co-Chair Bob Wesley was excused. Elizabeth Jordan gave a brief update on recent Planning Commission Activities. She informed the Steering Committee that there has been a lot of discussion about medical marijuana licensing. Megan confirmed that 8-9 licenses have thus far been approved while 1 has been denied and 1 withdrawn.

CIP APPROVAL:

Kevin Schronce announced that on January 13th, the Planning Commission approved the Capital Improvement Plan which was then passed and adopted by the City Council on January 26th.

Kevin explained that the CIP is in place and to be reviewed annually for budgeting purposes. He also gave a brief overview of CIP contents.

Steering Committee member wondered how it is made certain that the CIP is followed and what the consequences are if it is not to which Megan Hunter stated that the “purpose of the CIP is for it to be a document that the public can utilize to hold the City accountable”.

MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION TASK GROUP UPDATE:

Kevin Schronce gave the first update on the seven implementation task groups thus far. Details were shared on the progress of each group as well as participation levels.

Jim Richardson gave an in depth explanation on the Housing & Neighborhoods task group’s work to complete a neighborhood planning guide.

Mona Monroe-Younis gave an explanation of the Environmental Features, Open Space, & Parks task group’s extensive project to review the zoning code and offer feedback to the City.

ZONING UPDATE:

Mr. Schronce shared a proposed calendar and discussed an overview of the timeline for zoning workshops, trainings, updates, and meetings.

Steering Committee members were concerned about public inclusion in the zoning process. Mr. Schronce assured that starting tomorrow (2/4), staff would be solidifying dates & locations in order to provide at least 10 days minimum notice to the public.

-----**Note taker required to leave early, 7:00pm**
ANNUAL REPORT / YEAR IN REVIEW:

ADJOURNMENT:

Submitted by: Kristin Stevenson