



FLINT MASTER PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
Meeting Notes
April 1, 2014



Members Present

Jim Richardson, Co-Chair
 Bob Wesley, Co-Chair
 Bryant Nolden, City Council
 Raynetta Speed
 John Henry
 Linda Boose
 Charles Tutt

Richard Boone
 Judy Hovey
 Elizabeth Jordan, PC Rep
 Jackie Poplar, City Council
 Pamela Hawkins
 Paul Mattern
 Mona Munroe-Younis

Members Not Present

Clarence Pierce -excused
 Supt Quintin Marshall
 Sandra Robinson -excused

Pastor LaTrelle Holmes
 Isaiah Oliver
 Barry Williams

Staff Present

Vincent Slocum, Outreach Coordinator

Matthew Williams, Associate Planner

CALL TO ORDER:

Co-Chair Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. The meeting was held at the Flint Public Library, 1026 Kearsley St., Flint, MI.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Co-Chair Richardson stated that this is a working meeting for 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. The audience will be invited to participate in small group discussions.

Associate Planner Matthew Williams informed committee members that he had taken a job in Atlanta, GA and that this would be the last Steering Committee meeting that he would be attending as a representative of the Planning Department. The Steering Committee thanked Matthew for his two years of dedicated service and wished him well in his new position.

PLANNING COMMISISON UPDATE:

Co-Chair Bob Wesley gave a brief update on recent Planning Commission Activities, including the continuing search for applicants to the Implementation Task Groups.

MASTER PLAN ZONING FRAMEWORK

John Houseal and Brandon Nolin from the consulting firm Houseal Lavigne Associates gave a presentation to Steering Committee members about the Master Plan Zoning Framework that is being used to develop a new city zoning ordinance based on the Master Plan's place-based land-use plan. Mr. Houseal explained to committee members that there are three components to any municipal zoning ordinance: Administrative Function, Descriptive Usage Standards, and Developmental Design Standards.

Among the topics discussed by committee members were the role of City Council in the enforcement

and approval of future zoning amendments, whether violation fees or penalties would be included within the ordinance, the importance of including language related to historic districts such as Civic Park within the ordinance, and how to zone for community open space without exposing the City to regulatory takings litigation.

SUB-AREA PLANS UPDATE

Due to time constraints and to allow for greater discussion of the Master Plan Zoning Framework, the update on Sub-Area Plans was postponed to a subsequent meeting.

NEXT STEPS

Vincent Slocum made a brief announcement to Steering Committee members encouraging them to continue recruiting community members to apply for membership on Implementation Task Groups. Additional application materials were made available to Steering Committee members, and members were informed that the deadline for Task Group applications would be extended to accommodate for those who apply slightly later than the deadline.

Co-Chair Jim Richardson reminded committee members that they were also expected to fill out applications if they wished to join any of the Task Groups

The next Master Plan Steering Committee meeting will be held on May 6th, 2014, 5:30 p.m. at the Flint Public Library, Room 205.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Vincent Slocum