Person County & City of Roxboro

Joint Comprehensive Land Use Plan

BENCHMARK

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome

2. Project Update

3. Public Meetings

4. Visioning Exercise

5. Next Steps

Project Update

- Public Kickoff Presentations for the Project

  - City Council on September 8

  - Board of Commissioners on September 21

- Visioning Exercise/Discussion (TODAY)

- Public Meetings (October – December)

Public Meetings

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- **Three Focus Area Panels**

  - In-Person (Live Stream will be available, Post on Website)

  - All meetings held at the City Council Chambers

  - Brief presentations, panelist discussion, and Q & A

  - Economic Development - October 27 @ 6pm

  - Agriculture & Natural Resources - November 19, TBD

  - Growth & Development - December 1 @ 6 pm

Economic Development

Potential Speakers

- Sherry Wilborn (Economic Development Commission Director)
- Brad Tapper (Eaton)
- GKN
- Spuntech
- Dale Reynolds (EDC Board, Carolina Pride Carwash – Large Business Owner)
- Zack Wynne (1792 - Local Small Business Owner)
- Tracy Harris (Chamber Chairman)
- Samantha Bagby (Chamber President) or Woody

Agriculture and Natural Resources

Potential Speakers

- Nancy McCormick (Soil and Water Conservation)
- Bo Freeman (Cooperative Extension)
- Small Farmer?
- Large Farmer (Mayo Farms, Berryhills, Wagstaff, Winstead)
- Preservation of Natural Resources?
- Recreation?

Growth and Development

Potential Speakers

- Jay Poindexter (Remax) (Residential Developer)

- Trabar Homes – Large Residential Subdivision Developer

- Michael Brandon (Surveyor)

- Lynda Clayton (Uptown / Public Sector)

- Cynthia Lynch (BOA – New Resident)

Visioning Exercise

Major Themes

Maintain Rural Character & Lifestyle

- How do we grow and still maintain rural character?
- What is the rural character and identity? Is it the farmland?
- What is the sense of place?
- Do we need farmland preservation or preservation of other rural features (open space, forest,etc)?
- What about expanding agricultural economy through agri-tourism, farm tours, farmers markets, farm to table, etc?
- Where should growth occur?
- How does the location of urban infrastructure (water, sewer, etc) impact the rural character?

Major Themes

RTP Influence

- How can we better capitalize on RTP's influence?
- Can we can capture any growth from our proximity to RTP?
- If yes, what kind of growth and where?

Major Themes

Retail and Entertainment

- How and where can we expand retail and entertainment opportunities?
- What types?
- What is missing?

Major Themes

Uptown Roxboro

- There was a lot of discussion about ensuring Uptown continues to revitalize.
- From a land use perspective, what major uses are missing?
- Government facilities and plans that may impact Uptown?
- What else should be done/what is needed?
- Some comments about business hours being ineffective.
- Community events?
- Redevelopment of buildings (adding residential above).
- Views / quality of structures at entrances to Uptown.
- What is the sense of place in Uptown?
- What contributes to its identity?

Major Themes

Education

- While we recognize there are some concerns related to education and schools, from a land use perspective, are there new facilities that are needed?
- Are there existing facilities that need improvements, expansion, different access, or some other improvement?
- From an economic development perspective, are there specific needs for new programming at the Community College for enhanced training for a particular industry or new sector of the economy?
- Are new or different training facilities needed?
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Major Themes

Housing

- Quality, Quantity, Type, Location, Pace of new housing development.
- How are our existing residential areas and neighborhoods doing?
- What are your concerns about residential areas in the County and City?
- Improvements needed?
- Other concerns?

Major Themes

Amenities / Recreation

- What types of recreational facilities are needed (parks, organized sports, trails, greenways, etc)?
- Where should they go?
- How is the condition of existing facilities?
- Expansion of existing facilities?
- Connections to parks / accessibility?

Major Themes

Age of Population

- Aging population; can we attract young families?
- If we attract young families, how does this impact the schools, where will they live, other services and amenities?
- How does the age of our population influence our economic prospects and sustainability as a community?

Major Themes

Employment and Economy

- Diversify the economy – what types of jobs / salaries / how do we attract new industries?
- Provide more jobs and in close proximity to where people live?
- Workforce development and skills?
- What is the future of the energy plants and how to prepare for potential closure or significant cut backs?
- Where should EDC focus their efforts?

Major Themes

Government Coordination

- Existing and future collaboration between City and County.
- Land use and growth policies.
- Where should the City and County focus their efforts together?
- Are there things they do not need to coordinate on?
- Other opportunities and partnerships?

Major Themes

Transportation

- Only one major transportation project is planned for the County – Madison Boulevard improvements, which have been delayed.
- Are there other transportation improvements that need to be considered?
- Are new modes of transportation needed?
- What improvements are need to support new modes of transportation?

Next Steps

- **Finalize and promote Focus Area Panels**

- **Begin development of a Draft Vision and Objectives**

  - Build upon input received today

  - Incorporate background research and surveys

- **Next Steering Committee Meeting**

  - Date TBD