

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #1

APRIL 30, 2024

SUMMARY



MEETING OVERVIEW

The project team led the first steering committee meeting to kick-off the creation of the Bullitt County Comprehensive Plan update on April 30, 2024 at the Bullitt County Government Offices. Approximately 17 people were in attendance that included members of the planning commission, county staff, regional organizations and employers, county utilities, representatives from Fort Knox, KYTC, Bullitt County Schools, local business leaders, and other key stakeholders within the community. The meeting provided an overview of the planning process that will occur over the next year and presented a brief overview of the county's existing conditions. The group was asked to provide input on what they wanted the new plan to achieve, what they thought may be applicable from the existing comprehensive plan.

WHAT DID WE HEAR?

The first exercise asked steering committee members about three big things they wanted the county to accomplish with the new comprehensive plan. The responses included:

- Transportation improvements
- The diversification of the workforce and employment base
- Land use around Fort Knox
- Improvements to infrastructure and traffic plans
- Updated housing plan
- Increase green space and recreational opportunities
- Mixed use developments
- Focus on smart growth and managing growth
- Coordinate transportation needs (e.g., KY 61 interchange with I-65)
- Develop a county wide bike and pedestrian plan
- Identify future transportation corridors
- Residential growth
- Increased activities for residents
- Increased sense of place through amenities and public facilities
- Public transportation

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WHAT DID WE HEAR, CONT'D?

The second exercise asked for steering committee members to share what goals and strategies from the 2015 plan were still applicable today. The responses included:

- CSX pathways (Transportation)
- Water and broadband improvements (Community Facilities)
- Building codes and green infrastructure (Land Use/Environmental Factors)
- Future corridor planning (Transportation)
- Public transportation (Transportation)
- Affordable housing (Residential Land Use)
- Watershed protections (Land Use/Environmental Factors)
- Better/designated plan areas (Commercial and Industrial Land Use)
- Micro parks in new residential developments (Environmental Design)
- Ensure facilities are accessible by transportation network (Community Facilities)
- Enhance Goal #13 to include burden of the local, regional, and state resources (Residential Land Use)
- Develop buffers/transitions between land uses (Commercial and Industrial Land Use)
- Remain cognizant of all impacts of every development (Environmental Design)
- Need sewer plan and need to emphasize a broadband plan (Community Facilities)
- Greenspace requirements and energy/water conservation (Land Use/Environmental Factors)
- Stronger ordinances to condemn vacant/abandoned properties (Residential Land Use)
- Recognize the difference between rural and urban needs in the county (Transportation)
- Identify possible sites for floodplain enhancement that could have alternate recreational use (Environmental Design)
- Develop a true downtown in each major city in the county (Community Facilities)
- No development in floodplains (Land Use/Environmental Factors)
- Aesthetics for development (Environmental Design)