

## **City of Mount Vernon 2014 Comprehensive Plan**

Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting

Monday, November 11, 2013

Council Chambers – 6:30 pm

Minutes of 11/11/13 meeting

### **1) Welcome and Introductions**

- Chad Sands, AICP, Community Development Director, ECICOG
- Approve minutes of last meeting
- Approve tonight's agenda

*Meeting opened at 6:35. The committee introduced each other and minutes of the October meeting were approved.*

### **2) Current Planning Efforts / Current Plan Review**

*Since Siders was not present, a full discussion of existing planning efforts was not held. General efforts were discussed.*

### **3) Set Sub-Committees Based on State Planning Legislation**

*It was decided that setting the sub-committees would wait until December, since there were several absences on the planning committee. There was discussion on what sub-committees would be created, based on the State's planning legislation. The planning committee decided the following six sub-committees would be created: Land Use; Housing; Transportation and Infrastructure; Economic Development; Quality of Life (includes historic preservation, parks and recreation and natural resources); and Government Facilities (includes joint planning efforts and natural hazards).*

*The sub-committees will be tasked with gathering information pertinent to their respective topic with regards to the future direction of the community. They will be able to utilize experts in their respective fields (i.e. the city engineer would be a useful source of information for the Transportation and Infrastructure sub-committee, etc.). Then the sub-committee would draft goals and objectives for their respective topic and bring it to the overall planning committee for review and approval.*

### **4) Preliminary Town Meeting Results**

*The town meeting was held on November 9<sup>th</sup> and Sands discussed the results with the committee. Full results and analysis of the town meeting will be available during the December meeting.*

*Several members of the public were present to discuss the community-wide survey. Dick Peterson discussed the survey methodology for the 1995 comprehensive plan. The committee discussed the pros and cons of going door to door vs. a self-addressed stamped envelope and the length of the survey, along with the value of doing a survey. Further discussion of the survey will occur during the December meeting.*

## **5) Census data**

*Sands stated that he had received city building permit data from Siders and was updating the demographic information to include said data. It will be available at the December meeting.*

## **6) Next Meeting Topics**

*Sands stated what is on the agenda for the next planning committee meeting.*

## **7) Set Next Meeting Date**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month (December 9<sup>th</sup>) [6:30 pm Planning Committee]

## **8) Public Input**

*There was no public input.*

## **9) Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10 pm.*