



Meeting Minutes – Housing Working Group
 July 13, 2016
 9-11 a.m.
 Prior Lake City Hall – Parkview Conference

Work Group Members:

Mathew Adeniran	X	Bob Facente		Ted Kowalski	X
Deb Barber	X	Eric Gentry		Matt Lehman	
Dave Brown	X	Laura Helmer	X	Anne Mavity	
Jim Caauwe		Mary Hernandez		Mary Miller	
Ron Clark		Joe Julius	X	Patti Sotis	X
Bob Coughlen	X	Margaret Kaplan		Mike Waldo	X
Mohamed Duale		Tom Kelleh	X	Paul Westveer	

Staff Members:

Danielle Fox	X	Dan Rogness	X	Julie Siegert	X
Daniel Lauer-Schumacher					

Introductions

Members provided introductions

Update from other Working Group meetings

Meeting minutes were reviewed from the Steering Committee and other Work Group June meeting minutes. It was noted that the Steering Committee is working on a Charter, “the purpose of which is to put forth the purpose, scope and principles.” The chair/co-chair from each of the Work Groups have been asked to attend the Steering Committee meetings starting in July. Mike and Bob would be invited to attend from our Work Group. It was noted that the Steering Committee is still discussing whether to emphasize the “50 by 30” theme, or whether something else would be better.

Stakeholder Wheel

In June, those in attendance completed the Stakeholder Wheel and the results were shared during the meeting.

- More diverse than originally thought
- Representation good so far

We will continue to monitor and follow up with those not in attendance at the June meeting to have them complete a wheel and add the results to the larger Work Group wheel.

Vision for Housing

The Brainstorm ideas that were generated at the April retreat by the Work Group were passed out. Can we choose 5 paths/areas to start with, develop some goals/visions to have a broad based housing options from high end all the way to affordable?

- We have to start with zoning or the planning process.
- Shakopee paved the way for all kinds of housing, and Prior Lake has 2,400 acres of single family within its Orderly Annexation Area.
- We need to look at the County as a whole, each community is diverse and has different things to offer based on geography.
- Liveable Communities – do we have buy-in from each of the Local Governmental Units? Can we get grants to put our tax money back into our communities.
- Fiscal Disparities takes 40% of the increased Comm/Ind tax base, so Shakopee contributes and Prior Lake receives from this program.
- How do we figure out the formula so that each community can support the broad range of housing options and the blend of income levels is neutral? What is the impact to our schools?
- How can we measure the mismatch between local jobs and local housing?
- We need to provide a full range of housing in the county.
- How do we get to 50 by 30?
- As we are growing commerce in our cities, housing is not keeping pace.
- We all have shared opportunities and obligations – can't look at individual cities, but have to look across the county and do what is fair.
- We need affordable housing at every level of income; where is the gap that is missing? We need to ensure affordable lifecycle housing for all income levels.
- Executive housing attracts Global Headquarters.
- If we have a diversity of housing options, we will make our county attractive for good jobs.
- There are a number of myths that surround low-income households and those in affordable housing. We are doing a disservice and we need to be educated as a work group about this group of people as they are our friends and neighbors, not just a burden to the system.

- People should be responsible to attain a wage that supports their housing choice. If it is low, why is it low, and are there educational opportunities they need to have a well-paying job
- The CDA is completing its 5-year Comprehensive Housing and Commercial Industrial studies that are done by Maxfield Research, so this will provide good local data.
- The Work Group has been in a hurry to get to something concrete, but we need to understand and educate ourselves on both the population and the current resources in our community related to housing issues and facts.
- We need to encourage shared opportunities and participation, as well as collaboration between all local government units. Building on collaborative efforts will be important to move initiatives forward.

Feedback on Focus Group Questions

Feedback was requested on sample questions that would be asked to targeted focus groups to provide input to the county's 2040 comp plan, SHIP and the 50x30 initiative.

- "Where is it easiest to find housing options in Scott County?" was suggested as an additional question.
- Will there be other targeted focus groups to all resident sin Scott County or those of varying income levels?

Comprehensive Plan presentation

Dan Rogness provided a brief overview of Comprehensive Plans. He provided the attached handout from the Met Council's Local Planning Handbook as well as information from Shakopee and Prior Lake's system statements.

- Population, households and employment
- New housing units per year
- What kinds of housing units are we planning for
- Numbers are important to start with
- No new federal resources for 30% AMI
- Zoning variations by community within the same land use impacts affordability

Next meeting – August 10th at Village Commons, Savage from 9-11 a.m.