

2045 Comprehensive Plan Update Work Session Notes

October 10, 2023

Planning Commission Members: Mike Shepp, President; Matt Knott, Vice President; Wade Louthan, Secretary; Steve Stolipher, County Commission Liaison; Jack Hefestay, and Aaron Howell, and were present in person. A quorum of the Planning Commission was present for the Work Session.

Staff: Jennifer Brockman, Chief County Planner; Luke Seigfried, County Planner; Michelle Evers, Planning Clerk; were present in person.

Executive Summary

On 8/29/23 the Planning Commission held a work session to discuss the draft Goals for the 2045 Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU).

Agenda

1. Comprehensive Plan Composition
 - a. Discussion of Preferred Growth Areas and Existing Land Use Map
 - b. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan Goals and Objectives
2. Community Outreach Preparation
 - a. Staff Presentation of Land Use Survey Questions

Item 1: Comprehensive Plan Composition

Staff and Planning Commission discussed the current Preferred Growth Areas (PGA) from the Envision Jefferson 2035 plan. The 340 East PGA and Route 9 PGA were highlighted as needing potential changes. As a reference point, Planning Commission asked for the Future and Existing Land Use map to include a Rural Residential land use classification for parcels from 1-5 acres.

Item 2: Community Outreach Preparation

Staff presented the draft survey questions as a final draft before public release. Planning Commission suggested changing the language regarding the aquatic center from “taxes” to “bond” for better understanding. Further consensus agreed to use a community planning centered question instead of an open space focused question. Planning Commission also agreed to use the Preferred Growth Area question during the January Public Input meeting. After further discussion all of the prior demographic questions were to be included and an additional question regarding the number of individuals under 18 in the household were to be included. Additionally, the commute question was to be split in two between work and school.

Planning Commission then decided to host the 3rd Public Input Meeting at Jefferson High School on Tuesday, January 23rd. Planning Commission then directed staff to pick a convenient day to release the Envisioning Jefferson survey.

These notes were prepared by Luke Seigfried.