

November 14, 2007 CAC Meeting Pond & Company Meeting Record

Joint CAC and Subcommittee

- Briefly introduced and reviewed the Community Participation Plan document- asked if there were questions and explained the purpose of the document.
- Requested that all CAC and sub-committee members think about groups in the City that might not get information, might need extra outreach, and do not have representation on this committee?
- Passed out blank stakeholder forms and requested input: Please write down any contact names and numbers you have or put your name by those you can obtain for the City. Also, indicate if you are willing to be an outreach liaison – are there groups you can be in charge of getting flyers to?
- Follow-up: It was requested by a sub-committee member that we distribute the form electronically; Susan's office will distribute the blank Excel file with the information we need on stakeholder names and contact information- filled out forms should be sent back to Susan Canon for compilation. The full list will be included in the Community Participation Plan and passed out at the December CAC meeting.

Comprehensive Plan Break-Out Section

- **Community Assessment Status**

Explained where we stand in the data gathering and review:

- Reviewed Governor's Commission report
- Reviewed Interim and pulled relevant data: MOST NOT SUFFICIENT B/O boundaries
- Population: In conference with ARC for most appropriate method, especially for forecast Implications for all other data (economic, housing, etc)
- Received mapping and organizing

NEED: HISTORIC AND CULTURAL INFORMATION:

Resources amongst themselves (asked this question again in regards to areas requiring special attention)

- **Community Agenda and Community Meetings**

Consultants defined and explained:

1. Review Community Assessment data requirements and how it is supposed to be used
2. We use the Community Assessment background data to:
 - Examine factors affecting your community
 - Identify issues and opportunities
 - Envision how your community should look in 10, 15 and 20 years
 - Develop ideas for goals and objectives
3. Goals, objectives, policies as the implementation tools
4. Explained how the community meetings are set up to help us get to having goals, policies, and action items for the issues and opportunities, for the areas req. special attention
Because we need information, the community meeting will be structured (maps, STWP, goals, measurable objectives)

- **Group exercises:**

1. Geographic Areas of Special Attention (mapped and identified) (see poster with DCA's list)
We will have a poster with DCAs list and with group, map the areas they identify

NOTES:

- There are some areas that used to be commercial but are now residential- houses that are being re-used (adaptive re-use) as offices, etc. One area in particular is along State Bridge Road northwest of Jones Bridge Road.
- These areas need something to create cohesion/consistency- along the lines of architectural standards or a policy to address adaptive re-use
- New High school not on map
- Commercial areas with ugly billboards need attention
- Roadway improvements in some areas destroyed the commercial viability of some businesses so there are empty retail spaces in older shopping centers at Jones Bridge and Abbotts Bridge
- Need to think about the most appropriate/desirable area for a Town Center (where the Regal Cinema is) possible if redevelopment of shopping center at Medlock Bridge and State Bridge (on the west side of the intersection north and south of State Bridge)
- Need a performing arts area/venue perhaps in Town Center
- Preserve parks- specifically Newtown (there is a historic school building there)
- Also preserve Autrey Mill Nature Preserve
- Some ideas or attention are needed for Dean gardens/ the mansion on the river- it has been talked about as a city owned facility – it doesn't seem likely it will stay the way it is in the long term future
- Preserve Warsaw School
- The City needs uniform architectural standards- along the lines of Alpharetta
- Major and minor gateways should be created- major to be located at the more commercially oriented city borders/ minor gateways in primarily residential areas(SEE map)

2. (***DID NOT commence this exercise***) Preliminary Issues and Opportunities List by DCA categories
On Flip Chart, we will have all the DCA required topics and will write down the top Issues and Opportunities for the Preliminary list. This list will be verified against the data emerging from the Community Assessment documentation.