

Land Use Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 17, 2016

Members & Visitors: Greg Stinson, Anthony Schlueter, Darleen Cohn, Jeff Sheridan, Nick Bellar, George Topoll, Michael Barry, Justin Kiel

NIRPC Staff: Eman Ibrahim, Gabrielle Biciunas, Sara Geinosky, Scott Weber, Meredith Stilwell

Call to Order by Chairman

Chairman Stinson called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Land Use Committee Overview – Eman Ibrahim, NIRPC

Eman presented an overview of the history of the Land Use Committee including the purpose of the Committee, topic areas and regional accomplishments.

2016/2017 Committee Work – Eman Ibrahim, NIRPC

a. Regional Corridor Study

The focus of the study is to functionally fill gaps between regionally significant highways and limited access local arterials. Along with stakeholder help, NIRPC has completed the study in-house and 22 gaps were identified. The next phase in the study is to identify funding and work with the Land Use Committee to identify obstacles.

b. I 65 & US 30 Safety Planning Project

The purpose of the project is to conduct a safety planning study for the surrounding area of I-65 and US 30 to reduce pedestrian and auto conflicts by connecting walkways, creating safe pedestrian street crossings, and consolidating driveways if needed.

c. Creating Livable Communities (CLC) – Phase II Criteria

The CLC grant was to fund planning projects or pre-development plan that revitalizes existing centers; neighborhoods; downtowns; transit stops or corridors; TOD ordinances; and to prepare projects to compete for funding in the STP construction projects category. Seven CLC planning grants were awarded in Phase I. Five have completed plans and two are in the process of finishing their plans. Phase II involves developing criteria for projects to be funded with unspent money left over from previous funding rounds. The funding release will most likely be by the end of October and must be spent by April 2017. While most awards will be for construction projects, planning projects will still be eligible. Preliminary criteria ideas may be submitted to Eman by August 24 and final criteria will be sent when funding is released.

Announcements

a. **Next Meeting:** October 19, 2016 at 10:00 am

Chairman Stinson clarified to the Committee that for the Land Use Committee voting process, one vote will be allotted per entity regardless of number of attendees per community.

On motion by George Topoll and second by Michael Barry, the meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.