



**Cook-DuPage Corridor
Planning Standards Working Group Meeting
Thursday, October 19, 2006, 2:30 PM
DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference
1220 Oak Brook Road, Oak Brook**

MEETING SUMMARY

Present:

Jose Luis Alvarez, Cicero
Dave Barber, Downers Grove
Rob Cole, Oak Park
Bob Dean, Naperville
Pat Higgins, Western Springs
Tam Kutzmark, DMMC
Nick Pappas, DuPage County

Tony Allender, Wilbur Smith Associates
Dan Doenges, Wilbur Smith Associates
Bill Lenski, RTA
Michelle Ryan, RTA
Nancy Seeger, Nancy Seeger Associates, Ltd.

I. Attendance

- A sign in sheet was circulated; see above for those present.
- Dave Barber led the meeting and made introductory remarks.

II. August 24, 2006 Meeting Summary: Dave Barber provided a brief overview of the fourth meeting of the Planning Standards Working Group conducted August 24 and referred to the meeting summary included as Attachment 1 of the agenda. The meeting summary was approved.

III. Guiding Principles and Planning Standards

A. Report on the Get SET Workshop

- Tony Allender distributed the Get SET workshop summary. The workshop, which was held on September 27, at the Marriott Oakbrook from 8:00 am – 1:30 pm was very successful and produced excellent feedback and information about local values. It was facilitated by Nore Winter, President of Winter & Company in Boulder, Colorado.
- The workshop included the following objectives:
 - Establishing a working relationship with communities in the Cook-DuPage Corridor

- Gaining a shared understanding of how the values of each participating community may be similar and how each may vary
- Identifying community issues and assets that may be impacted by corridor improvements
- Developing a preliminary statement of principles as a foundation for planning standards to be used in evaluating corridor alternatives
- Providing information related to corridor planning that workshop attendees could apply in their communities.
- Participants engaged in personal activities, team activities, and plenary sessions.
- Facilitators discussed Guiding Principles for Planning Standards relative to the five themes of Growth, Diversity, Transition, Quality of Life, and Mobility.
- PSWG members reflected on the level of discussion of the participants; that the workshop results reinforce the conclusions of the PSWG, that commonalities and diversities in communities are often relative to whether they are inner or outer ring suburbs; and that improvements in one part of the corridor will affect the corridor as a whole.
- PSWG members Jose Luis Alvarez, Rob Cole, Bob Dean, Tam Kutzmark, and Nick Pappas attended the workshop.
- Attachment 2 entitled Issues, Assets & the Foundation of Guiding Principles was presented and segued the discussion to the next agenda item.

B. Finalization of Guiding Principles

- The Working Group engaged in extensive discussion of the Guiding Principles presented Attachment 3 entitled Shared Values, Guiding Principles and Planning Standards. A number of changes emerged from the discussion; highlights are as follows:
 - TRANSITION was eliminated as a separate theme. The 2nd TRANSITION principle was combined with GROWTH principles into a newly titled GROWTH and COMMUNITY CHANGE theme.
 - 2nd and 3rd GROWTH principles were combined
 - 2nd DIVERSITY principle was eliminated with complementary language added to the 4th QUALITY OF LIFE principle
 - Major changes to the 3rd DIVERSITY principle and the 1st QUALITY OF LIFE principle
 - Minor changes to several other principles

C. Development of Planning Standards

- Consideration of Planning Standards did not occur due to the lengthy discussion of the Guiding Principles. The Group agreed to schedule another meeting as soon as possible to discuss Planning Standards. A

handout entitled Planning Standards Activity Worksheet was distributed but was not used during this meeting.

IV. Next Meeting

- The Group discussed the November 30 timeframe for recommending a set of Planning Standards to the Policy Committee. The Working Group also discussed the possibility of presenting Planning Standards to the Technical Committee at their November 16 meeting.
- The Group established the week of October 30 for its next meeting with staff to follow up on member availability.

V. Other Business: There was no other business.

VI. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00 pm.

Meeting Summary prepared by Nancy Seeger Associates, Ltd.