

## Anderson Township Implementation Plan Committee

Monday, February 5, 2024 at 4:30 PM

Members Present: Viki Beck, Amy Broghamer, Kevin Comerford, Duane Donohoo, Stephen Feagins, Peg Fenner, Brian Gay, Andrea Granieri, Lindsey Griffis, John Halpin, Joe Hice, Nicole Hunter, Phillip Kiley, Jay Lewis, Elizabeth Maier, Katie Buchmann, Anne Miller, Dan O'Rourke, Zach Peterson, Jeff Rosa, Paul Sian, Cynthia Sieber, Karl Sieber, Susan Wheatley

Others Present: Lexi Lausten (Township Trustee), Josh Gerth (Township Trustee), Vicky Earhart (Township Administrator), Steve Sievers (Assistant Township Administrator for Operations), Paul Drury (Director of Planning and Zoning), Sarah Donovan (Assistant Director of Planning and Zoning), Stephen Springsteen (Planner I), Makenzie Stewart (UC Co-op), John Wettengel (UC Co-op)

Members Absent: Matt Chaffin, Michael Doenges, Karen Schwamberger, Paul Sheckels, Jim Willis

### Welcome & Introductions:

- Mrs. Lausten provided an introduction and thanked all for taking the time to join staff as a part of this new committee.
- Everyone went around and introduced themselves and what committee they were previously on.

### How We Got Here:

- Mr. Drury explained the necessity of combining WeTHRIVE! Anderson, Economic Development Committee and the Transportation Advisory Committee into one group that actively works to implement the Comprehensive Plan
- WeTHRIVE! Anderson focused mainly on social connections
  - o Stems from the Quality of Life chapter in the Comprehensive Plan
  - o Initiative of Hamilton County Public Health
  - o Worked to put on events such as Garden Tour, Great American Clean Up and a Community Bike Ride
- EDC focused on key sites, workforce development and the Kellogg Gateway the last year
  - o However, it has had various topics over the last ten years depending on trends within the community
  - o Past discussions and projects included Township vs. City, community pool and recreation, Kellogg Avenue gateway, etc.
- TAC recently updated the Trails and Walkways Plan
  - o Reviewed proposals for new sidewalk plans
  - o Performed community walk audits for school safety zones
  - o Was involved in everything transportation, such as corridor studies
  - o Partnered with Metro to ensure the most up to date need for routes

### Expectation of Implementation Committee and Members:

- Mr. Sievers went over the Resolution approved by the Trustees which discussed committee commitments and expectations, which are very similar to those members hopefully have seen before
  - o Committee members are representatives of the Township
  - o Hard copy of the Resolution is inside the binder provided to each committee member
- Ms. Stewart went over the contents of the binder
  - o Roster of committee member information
  - o Entire 2022 Comprehensive Plan Update
  - o Implementation Matrix and status as of 12/31/23, which has been modified by staff the last couple of weeks
  - o Development update PowerPoint so committee members know what is currently going on within the Township

Overview of Recent Comprehensive Plan Implementation Matrix:

- Mr. Drury explained the layout of the 2022 Comprehensive Plan and the Implementation Matrix at the rear of the plan, as well as the status update by staff.

Initiative Activity:

- Ms. Donovan described how there are over 45 initiatives found within the Implementation Matrix of the Comprehensive Plan Update
  - o For this Committee, staff paired down the list to 16 initiatives that they believe need volunteer assistance to help staff move forward, or are out of the normal day to day activities that staff participates in or works to advance
  - o Interactive Activity= the 16 initiatives were printed onto three boards in the meeting room, each member was given 5 dot stickers to place next to their highest ranked initiatives

Activity Discussion:

- Mr. Sievers ran through the results of the activity (results in a PDF attached) and discussed how staff will be looking at these and then narrowing down to perhaps three or four to start taking action on
- He asked the committee if there was anyone who does not think they have something of interest to work on in this committee based on the initiatives listed, and no committee member showed concern

Next Steps:

- Meeting date: looking at mid to late April to stay on quarterly meeting track, with gatherings in early September and then late November
- Committee was asked about day of the week and time; all seemed ok with Monday at 4:30- early evening and staff will be in touch with potential dates
- Chair/co-chairs were discussed, maybe adding them once the initiatives are selected and are moving forward
- Staff will be sending out an email with additional information for the next meeting