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MEMORANDUM

TO: Steering Committee Members

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At the February Steering Committee meeting the Committee began to discuss the Core downtown and its surrounding neighborhoods within the area bound by Burcham Drive, Abbot Road, Grand River Avenue and Hagadorn Road. This is only one of several areas that will be reviewed in more detail for the update to the Comprehensive Plan.

The Steering Committee was asked to look at this area and start to think about areas within this boundary that should be preserved. These areas are considered by the Committee as higher functioning neighborhoods with established urban form. There would be no need for redevelopment or extensive enhancement. They were then asked to look at the areas surrounding the preservation area and generally discuss how the function and urban form of these areas could be improved. These discussions included potential uses, density, and character.

The Committee will continue discussing the area bound by Burcham Drive, Abbot Road, Grand River Avenue and Hagadorn Road at the next meeting and also begin to discuss the area bound by Harrison Road, Michigan Avenue, Oakhill Avenue, Abbot Road, and Grand River Avenue.

The attached map generally represents the work produced at the February meeting. We expect that this document will be changed multiple times as additional information is received and as you continue to collaborate with each other. As time allows walk, bike, or drive through these areas as the weather begins to improve, to get a better feel for the character of the neighborhoods in the study areas.

We look forward to seeing you all on Thursday.