



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

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MEETING SYNOPSIS

March 12, 2014 – 4:30 p.m.

East Lansing Hannah Community Center
819 Abbot Road, Room 235

1) OPENING

- A) Roll Call
- B) Approval of Agenda

2) REVIEW OF DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DOCUMENT

The Steering Committee made a final review of the Objectives and Actions document, prior to shifting gears in their work. By and large, the Committee was pleased with the progress thus far, but wanted to discuss a few additional topics. These were:

- Public restrooms in the downtown, i.e. how do we make them available?
- Pedicabs and how to license/approve them
- Further discussion of the underutilization of the Hannah Community Center and use of some of the first floor area as a cafe.

3) CITY MAP ACTIVITY

The Steering Committee began work on the downtown area land uses. This was in preparation of the committee joining with the Housing Steering Committee in the month of April. The group discussed several areas of the downtown, the 'border' between downtown and the neighborhood, and areas they would like to see additional height (400 block of East Grand River, the 100 block of West Grand River, the 200 block of Ann Street, the 500 block of West Grand River, and the Brookfield Plaza area). They felt that the height issue should be incentive based, rather than by right in the Zoning Code. They also briefly talked about phasing in the East Village area and how to make that project happen in pieces, rather than all at once.

4) ADJOURNMENT