

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Meeting
 June 25, 2013
 Lord Spencer Compton Conference Room

Present:

Steering Committee Members	Bonnie Nelson
Carlos Braxton	Tom Pollard
Howard Capps, Vice Chair	Randy Reeves
Kemp Burdette	Robert Rosenberg, Chair
Deb Hays	Frank Smith
Elizabeth Hines	Kevin Smith
J. Clark Hipp	
Paul Lawler	

Absent:

Linda Pearce	Jennifer Rigby
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Staff Members
Glenn Harbeck – Dev Svs
Christine Hughes

Others Present: Ryan McAllister, Gary McSmith, Thomas Chuvala

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 by Robert Rosenberg.

Minutes from the June 6, 2013 meeting were approved. Two members abstained from voting, as they had not reviewed the minutes.

At the request of the committee, Gary McSmith from the Cape Fear Public Utility Authority was asked to attend the meeting to discuss the CFPUA’s ongoing long-range planning efforts. Mr. McSmith described the ongoing efforts to implement the CFPUA’s existing plans and the partnership with the city and New Hanover County to coordinate planning efforts as both the city and the county are working on comprehensive plans. Discussion between Mr. McSmith and the committee members ranged for existing resources, how to shape/manage growth through the extension of water/sewer services, cost allocation to developers, and ongoing coordination of efforts.

Mr. McSmith explained that if the city or county approves a development through the technical review process, the CFPUA will make existing capacity available for that development. If the city/county have policies to shape growth and development, the individual jurisdiction must act to enforce those policies through their processes.

In response to questions about coordination between other utility providers, Mr. McSmith indicated that there is insufficient coordination and what coordination does happen is through the city/county technical review processes. Mapping is the first step to improved coordination.

The committee reviewed the proposed lunch and learn topics and brainstormed additional ideas. It was decided that topics should be prioritized based on the timing/phases of the plan development process.

The committee also reviewed the themes that were emerging. It was noted that the lunch and learn topics and the themes were evolving similarly. The discussion of themes will continue at the committee's July 23rd meeting.

No one has yet completed their Meeting in a Box. The deadline for completing this is September 3, 2013.

The next steering committee meeting is July 23, 2013 at 4:00 in the Lord Spence Compton room.

The steering committee adjourned at 6:05 PM.