



**Arcade Comprehensive Plan
Steering Committee
Meeting Notes**

**March 13, 2023; 6:30 pm
Village Office**

I. Review Prior Meeting Notes

The Steering Committee received meeting notes as part of the agenda distribution. All members present concurred that the notes were accurate. Emma Falkenstein advised that MRB Group would add the meeting notes to the comprehensive plan website.

II. Public Engagement Update

Emma Falkenstein reviewed the results of the Community Survey, noting how much of the feedback was in alignment with prior Steering Committee discussions. She emphasized that the survey focused on general perceptions of the vision statement, smart growth principles, and the plan's priority policy areas. She noted that overall, the responses from the survey reaffirmed the data collected from the public workshops.

Emma stated that the major themes from Public Workshop #1 centered on addressing blight in the downtown, economic development and revitalization, tourism and recreation, walkability of the village, and housing. She noted that there was overall support for creative housing solutions to provide gentle density in the Village. However, some people indicated weariness of multi-family housing. James emphasizes how many of the concerns people have about

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multi-family housing can be addressed through appropriate management, building design, and communication.

The Steering Committee engaged in discussion regarding how the public engagement results aligned with the priorities of the plan. Members were encouraged by the overall support for smart growth principles and the opportunities to enhance quality of life in the Village and Town.

III. Draft Plan Review

Emma reviewed the draft plan with the Steering Committee. She noted that many of the plan's elements should look familiar, whereas sections such as future land use and the language to explain the implementation matrix were newer content.

She reviewed the flow of the document including the introduction, planning process, decision-making framework, future land use, plan implementation, community profile, and appendix. She noted that elements of the community profile are included in the plan's implementation section, but that the community profile is at the back of the document to ensure readers get to the "meat" of the plan.

The Steering Committee engaged in discussion regarding the new elements. Emma encouraged everyone to take the draft home and review it over the next few weeks and send her any edits/comments/suggestions.

IV. Other Business

Emma encouraged the Steering Committee to submit pictures to be included in the final plan. She explained how the current draft focuses solely on the content, whereas the final plan will have more visual elements and will require photos.

V. Activity Prior to Next Meeting

The Steering Committee will send the Consultant Team feedback on the first draft of the plan. The Consultant Team will complete edits to the draft Plan and begin preparations for the draft plan presentation.

VI. Next Meeting

Steering Committee Meeting – May 14th

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