



Hackensack Planning Team Meeting

Date: Tuesday, August 25th, 2020

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Location: Zoom

Meeting Summary

Welcome

- The meeting began with introductions by all planning team members where each member shared their name, connection to Hackensack, and shared what they thought made Hackensack unique.

Comprehensive Planning 101

- Staff from Region Five Development Commission updated the planning team of what exactly a comprehensive plan is and how it helps cities plan for the next 10 to 15 years. Staff also explained exactly how Region Five helps communities update their comprehensive plan.

Timeline Review

- A review of the planning timeline was explained and the planning team was presented a planning timeline with tasks that were to be completed each month, what months the planning team meets, and the months where public meetings will be held.

Introduce Community Survey

- The first task the planning team tackled was the community survey which is a survey that is sent out to Hackensack and the surrounding 10 mile area in order to get responses on questions that the planning team develops. The questions developed and answers received will help the planning team craft goals and policies when that time comes. For now the community survey was introduced and the planning team shared questions they would like included in the survey.

Begin Developing Vision Statement

- The second task of the meeting for the planning team involved the vision statement which is a brief 1-2 sentence statement focusing on what this plan will do for the future of Hackensack and where the planning team wants Hackensack to be in the future. The planning team members shared words, phrases and sentences that came to mind for a vision statement and the staff at Region Five will be presenting DRAFT vision statements at the next planning team meeting in September.



Next Steps

- Next steps include: Present DRAFT survey questions and DRAFT vision statements to the planning team in September. At the next planning team meeting the meeting objectives are to review Hackensack's existing comprehensive plan, DRAFT vision statement, finalize survey questions, do a SWOT analysis, and there will be an MPCA update.

Adjourn

- Meeting was adjourned at 4:05pm