

## Planning Meeting Minutes 9/14/2021

- Call to Order: 7:06 at the Belmont House
- Commissioners Present: Rita Cabral, Leyla Cabus, and Larry Weber
- A quorum was not met, so we did not vote on the previous meeting minutes.
- It was discussed how it might be beneficial to get more community involvement within our area, especially in regards to new residents who are dwelling in the area's new apartment complexes.
- One of our potential goal statements could be that we want to reduce general waste or consumption.
- Along with that, we could present our goal statements when reviewing our land use goals. We think that we should share our goals when speaking with the public to further gather their input on what improvements should be made to our area.
- Larry and Rita suggested the idea that we make a pamphlet or a presentation to organize our thoughts in regards to our goals. It would also be useful for when we need to convey our thoughts and potential changes when reviewing with the city and our residents.
- We need to cite the sources from the previous meeting's statistics because we need to learn more about our area. It would allow us to make an effective game plan for change and progress.
- One of our potential goal statements could be to improve traffic management, but that would require that we have the resources to look at statistics, so we could make further changes.
- We believe that improving transportation and accessibility is imperative to the functioning of our area and our community because it increases the ability for low income residents to find jobs that are near them. To add onto that, it increases the possibility for sustainable commercialism in our area.
- Mike Liggitt will be at the next area commission meeting to report the results of the RTMC study. From there we could gather data on how they did it and what we can do to make progress.
- Larry looked at micro-transportation and he contacted COTA, but he said that there were no responses.
- Rita gave Larry Jeff Pullin's email to hopefully get our answers. Jeff Pullin was the public information officer in April of 2019, but it is unknown whether he still works for COTA or whether he is in the same position.
- It was expressed that we don't necessarily want to encourage manufacturing space, so we should make an effort to distinct our views on that within our subarea plans.
- Also within our subarea plans, we should record or be aware of the demographics of our subareas, especially because our area commission is so diverse.
- The new city interactive maps are helpful because it specifies where the townships are.

- In regards to the Council Residential Districting Commission, we believe that if there is to be one city council member within one of our areas, then we should become fairly acquainted with the one that is located in our area.
- New Business: Zoning Training report by Rita
- According to the Zoning Training, 88 new people come to live in Columbus per day.
- We would like to know where the city got this information and how that translates into the actual projected numbers of the people who are going to be living in Columbus by 2050.
- The city has tested signs on a tester location and now they are requesting that developers put them up.
- The planning academy states that one can not be an area commissioner whilst also being a member of the planning academy.
- Our next meeting will be held on October 12th at the Belmont House.
- Rita will not be able to attend the next meeting and she will not be able to post the next meeting reminder because she will be on vacation.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.
- Meeting Minutes were written by Leyila Cabus.