



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 3.

DATE OF MEETING: June 17, 2013

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SHORT TITLE: Update on Maple Hill Small Area Plan

BACKGROUND: At the January 7, 2013 Board meeting, Staff was authorized to move forward with the development of a Small Area Plan for the Maple Hill area. A public kickoff meeting was held on January 26, 2013 and a Steering Committee was appointed at the February 19, 2013 meeting. Staff and the Steering Committee have had four meetings so far, and have had great discussions on the opportunities and constraints for the Maple Hill Community. Specifically, the following milestones have been met:

- Introduced Small Area Planning process to Steering Committee
- Completed Public Input Survey and analysis of results
- Drafted a vision statement for the plan and a mission statement for the Steering Committee, and drafted the existing conditions and history sections of document
- Completed goals for topics of Housing and Environmental Issues and Constraints
- Identified issues and opportunities in order to draft goals for Services and Utilities
- Held a Community Input Meeting on Saturday, June 1 in Maple Hill

The Steering Committee has been meeting on the last Wednesdays of the month from 6pm to 8pm at the Maple Hill Resource Center. Three more Steering Committee meetings are scheduled to discuss the areas of Transportation, Economic Development, Parks and Recreation, and Community Heritage. Staff intends to have a first draft of the plan complete for the August 28, 2013 Steering Committee meeting. A final Community Input Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 14, 2013, followed by a period of two weeks for public input and comment. After any final edits, the final draft is tentatively scheduled to be presented to the Planning Board on November 12, 2013 and to the Board of Commissioners on December 9, 2013.