



**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING #6**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2013
6:00 PM**

***CITY HALL – COUNCIL BRIEFING ROOM
101 W. ABRAM STREET
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76010***

AGENDA

- I. Recap of October 28, 2013 Meeting**
- II. Land Use Element Discussion – Part 1**
- III. Next Steps Overview**
- IV. Adjourn**

Meeting Notes
October 28, 2013 6:00 p.m.



City Hall, 101 W. Abram Street
Council Briefing Room, 3rd floor

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members Present:

Rebecca Boxall, Laura Capik, Amy Cearnal, Nichole Collett, Ann Foss, Peter Hatton, Brandon Hill, Larry Johnson, Connie Kerr, Alan Klein, Yen Nguyen, Andrew Piel, Anthony Powell, Mike Talambas, Liem Tran, Glen Troutman, Jeff William

Staff Present:

Community Development and Planning - Bridgett White, Lyndsay Mitchell, Elaine Dennehy, Clayton Husband, Prudence Cardenas

I. Recap of September 23, 2013 Meeting

Ms. White provided the Advisory Committee with draft outlines of the Transportation and Environment elements that were discussed at the September 23rd meeting. Ms. White explained that adopted master plans such as the Airport Master Plan, which is in the process of being updated, the Thoroughfare Development Plan, and the Hike and Bike System Master Plan will be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan.

II. Economic Development Element Discussion

Mr. Bruce Payne, Economic Development Manager, provided the Committee an overview of the City's Economic Development Viewpoint and Strategy Update. Mr. Payne explained that not only is the City a collection of assets but we need to improve the value and performance of new and existing assets in a way that benefits the City's financial condition over the long term. He then shared an overview of the Update – it is a five to seven year plan with four geographic areas of focus: Downtown, Lamar/Collins, Entertainment District, and Great Southwest Industrial Park. Mr. Payne also provided the Committee with an identified list of the City's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.

This was followed by discussion on the City's abatement process, the lack of large hotels in the Entertainment District area, UT Arlington's impact on the City of Arlington, the need for housing for new graduates, and capitalizing on Arlington's location in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

III. Future Activities

- a. Upcoming Meetings – Discussing Land Use Element
 - Thursday, December 19, 2013 – Big picture view of land use
 - Monday, January 27, 2014 – More detailed discussion; includes review of a carrying capacity analysis.
- b. "Marketing Campaign" – We will be working with the Office of Communications on getting information out to the public.
- c. More details on the Economic Development Strategy will be shared with the Committee in January after it has gone to City Council.

IV. Adjourn @ 7:34 p.m.