

Copley Township



Comprehensive Plan 2007

Preserving our past, Securing our future.



Kick Off Meeting Agenda

- I. Introductions
- II. Review of Scope and Timeline
- III. Committee Expectations
- IV. Discussion of Key Issues
- V. Review Attributes and Challenges
Photographic/Mapping Assignment
- VI. Adjournment



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Comprehensive Plan Purpose

- ✓ Create a long-term vision for community development and redevelopment.
- ✓ Engage the community in thoughtful dialog about the path of community change.
- ✓ Map out strategies and initiatives to achieve community goals.
- ✓ Provides legal justification for zoning.



Comprehensive Plan - Process / Time Frame

Task 1 Kick-Off Meeting

Today

Task 2 Preliminary Information Gathering

Task 2A: Environmental Study

Task 3: Community Outreach

Task 4: Community Visioning Workshop

Task 5: Formulation of Plan Goals and Objectives

Task 6: Draft Plan Development

Task 7: Public Hearing

Task 8: Revisions

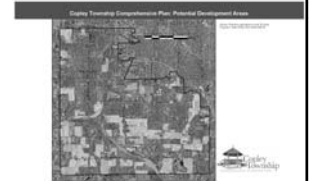
Task 9: Adoption



Task 1: Kick Off Meeting

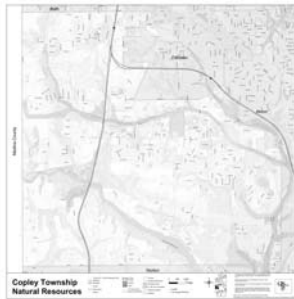
The development of a new vision for livability begins with a **Steering Committee**

- Introduce the team
- Define, schedule, outcomes, roles, and responsibilities
- Generally discuss citizen participation mechanisms
- Committee attributes and Challenges photo/mapping assignment
- Organizational matters for community information session



Task 2: Develop Existing Conditions Profiles

- General Information
- Regional Planning Efforts
- Infrastructure/Public Services
- Parks and Greenways
- Economic Characteristics and Opportunities
- Land Use
- Existing Cultural and Historic Resources
- Existing Environmental Conditions



Task 2a: Environmental Study

- Successional State
- Rare Species
- Uniqueness of Habitat
- Patch Qualities
- Perimeter Adjacent Land Cover
- Hydrologic Function
- Pollution Potential
- Groundwater Interchange
- Riparian Value
- Erosion Value



Task 3: Community Outreach

- Survey
- Interviews
 - Rural Character/Environmental Protection
 - Residential Development
 - Commercial Corridors/ Retail Development/ Industry
 - Recreation/ Aesthetics/ Quality of Life
 - Transportation/ Utilities / Services



Task 4: Community Visioning Design Workshop

Develop indicators and benchmarks to measure community livability. . .

- Parkland per person, tree canopy, community walkability, index of housing choices, ratio of local employment to number of residents, housing affordability

Identify planning issues . . .

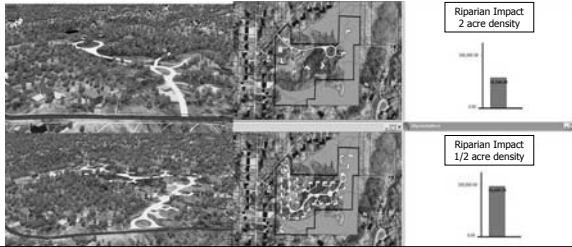
- Community focal points, viewsheds, commercial strip design, design themes

Provide a thought-provoking and heavily-illustrated presentation on ways to balance conservation, livability, and development

Scenario Development

Present planning alternatives

Illustrate options and thought provoking ideas for physical development

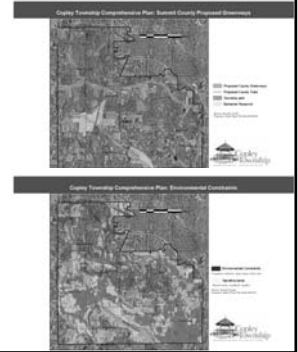


Scenario Choices

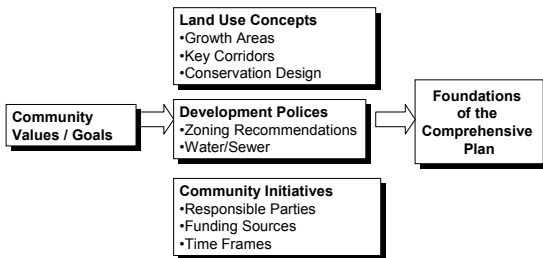
- Generate consensus on development scenarios

- Reach a synthesis of the alternatives

- Generate attention and involvement for the plan and excitement and enthusiasm for the future.



Task 5: Development of Goals, Policies & Initiatives



Task 6: Draft Plan Development



Task 7: Public Hearing

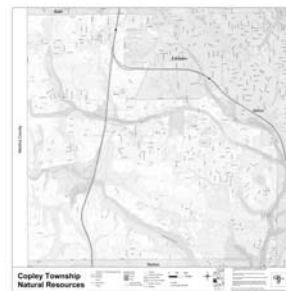
Public Presentation



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Task 8: Revisions

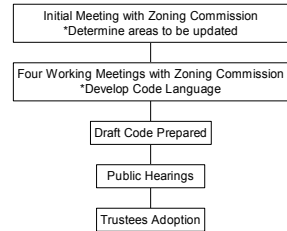


Task 9 Plan Adoption

**Celebrate the new vision for the future for
the next generation**



Zoning - Process



Committee Expectations

- Keep focused on the issues and potential solutions
- Everyone has something valuable to contribute.
- Everyone on the committees gets to speak (time limits).
- Everyone will learn something.
- Play nice and have fun!



Discussion of Key Issues

Quality of Life
 Farmland / Open Space Preservation
 Aesthetics Issues
 Commercial/Industrial Development
 Residential Development
 Environmental Issues
 Other?



Review Attributes and Challenges Photographic/ Mapping Assignment

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Attributes and Challenges

As seen through the eyes of the Steering Committee...



Example: Aesthetic Issues



Attributes and Challenges

As seen through the eyes of the Steering Committee...



Example: Environmental Issues



Attributes and Challenges

As seen through the eyes of the Steering Committee...



Example: Commercial Issues



Next Meeting

- Monday, May 7th - 6PM – Steering Committee Meeting – Existing Conditions Presentation - Photo/Mapping Assignment Due from Committee
- Wednesdays, May 16th – 8:30 AM – Technical Assistance Group – Existing Conditions Presentation, Attributes and Challenges Presentation, and Environmental Study Presentation

