



## **PLAN CLAYTON IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THE MARCH 10, 2021**

### **I. Opening of Meeting**

Chairman Foley called the PLAN Clayton Implementation Committee meeting to order at 7:05 PM on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 virtually on the Zoom platform.

Roll call for members: Stevens-yes, Bachman-yes, Powless-no, Williams-yes, Craddick-yes, Muncy-yes, and Foley-yes. Mr. Powless joined the meeting late due to a work conflict.

### **II. Approve minutes of Previous Meeting**

Chairman Foley presented the minutes of the February 10, 2021 meeting. Motion by Mr. Bachman to approve the minutes as presented, motion was second by Mr. Stevens. All yeas, motion passed.

### **III. Old Business**

None

### **IV. New Business**

Sub-Committees presented reports on their committee's goals:

#### **1. GOAL I – Walkable Neighborhoods (Muncy/Craddick)**

Mr. Muncy and Ms. Craddick advised they reprioritized their goals: Complete the sidewalks on Main Street by connecting the bus stops along Main Street. Add sidewalks on both sides of Old Salem from Garber to Main, providing a safe and convenient walkway for residents and connecting Garber to Main to Old Salem. Construct/finish sidewalks on Union from SR49 to Summersweet and to Old Salem, this will support safe walking for residents of Hunter's Glen, Summersweet and Valleybrook. Add a sidewalk on one side of Old Salem from Taywood to Main Street, this provides a safe walkway for all the residents between Taywood and Main Street. Complete sidewalks on National Road from the Spring Lakes development to the high school. Muncy then identified their rankings with the first being value to the most people, then project urgency, availability of outside funding sources, time to complete/perception and total cost.

#### **2. GOAL II – Central Cores (Williams/Bachman)**

Ms. Williams and Mr. Bachman stated they re-defined the central cores down to five: Main Street, the Government Center, Historic (Old Village), Hoke Road business district, and Northmont (SR40/Haber/Hoke). To help identify central cores there is a need for street furnishings such as benches, trash cans, ash urns, dog litter stations,

etc., in addition to directional and district signage. Create a phased plan for installing directional signage in the business areas and the city districts, for example Main Street, the historic village area, and North Clayton. Create a standards book for street furnishing for the city's street amenities, benches, trash cans, ash urns, dog litter stations, etc. Create a standards book for city signage. Perform a speed study on the city's primary roads and make recommendations to reduce speed limits in areas identified for future central cores/developments where there will be significant interaction between pedestrians/bicyclists and motorists. Create a crosswalk improvement program at critical intersections where sidewalks could be updated or improved and/or installed to provide for greater pedestrian safety.

### 3. GOAL III – Connected Parks (Foley/Powless)

Mr. Foley stated again they believe we do not need to connect parks as the original plan stated. The parks need to be connected, but we believe we should focus more on connecting the parks to the neighborhoods. We need to prioritize current projects in the parks and look at what would be the most impactable projects with our current budget. Continue to invest in Meadowbrook, keep the golf and venue, but also look at other uses. We need to look at all the acreage, 71 acres and investigate some enhanced uses for the property. A bigger ticket item is the bike paths. We reached out to Metro Parks and they have been studying how to connect their bike path system and are looking to connect the Shoop Mill/Riverside path to Grossnickle. This would be a \$8-10 million dollar project and requires a 25% match. This is a long-term plan and would require assistance from all the northern communities, including Englewood and Union, in addition to public and private entities. Miami Valley North has created walking trails behind the hospital, so would Premier be interested in assisting with the project? We believe better access to parks is important, an example is Westbrook Park. Unless you are familiar with the area you do not know how to access the park. We need to look at making an access off Westbrook Road. Hardscrabble Park we need to investigate more uses, keep the original amenities but look to add additional athletic uses. We also need to create and/or improve bike paths on existing roads. And lastly, per the PLAN look into future potential greenspace within the community.

### 4. GOAL IV – Great Streets & Infrastructure (Stevens/Dorman)

Mr. Dorman spoke for this group stating they would like to create a sidewalk infill program and identify areas in the city with missing sections of sidewalk that if completed would complete critical linkages to schools and businesses. Create a street light program for the replacement and/or installation of street lighting on primary roads and residential streets. Create a gateway program for city entries that could be used to market the city. Create a gateway program to identify city facilities such as the Meadowbrook entrance and the Government Center. Create standard books for street lighting, fixtures, poles, bases, and pole accessories. Infrastructure analysis of our water, sanitary and stormwater system deficiencies and create plans for critical

improvements to systems that are not designated as part of a future development project. Infrastructure analysis of overhead utilities identifying visual corridors in the city and create plans for burying overhead lines in areas where existing conditions create unsightly visual clutter. Prepare a thoroughfare plan that will identify right of way widths for potential major and minor roads and provide direction to developers in terms of right of way the city will request as part of a development plan. Study existing access on the city's major transportation routes and create appropriate limitations for access points on those roads in order to ensure long term efficiency of commercial traffic movement on those critical routes. Look into hiring an environmental engineer to identify areas of the city that would be ideal for infrastructure improvements and would benefit from the use of green infrastructure best practices in lieu of standard physical structures, for example catch basins, gutters, storm piping, etc.

Mr. Dorman stated some yardsticks that we will use to measure the proposed projects in the scoring categories are the projected cost, accessibility for example available land or right of way, benefit to the largest number of residents, perceived impact to the community, availability of outside funding sources, and urgency/time to complete, and asked members to recommend others they can think of at our next meeting.

**V. Next Meeting**

Mr. Dorman asked that members continue to research potential outside funding sources for their proposed projects and finalize their list of projects in the Project Scoring Sheet and submit them no later than March 24<sup>th</sup>. The information will be forwarded to City Staff that will be invited to roundtable discussion during the April meeting with the objective of vetting the preliminary implementation project list. Due to one member of city's staff being out of the country April 14<sup>th</sup>, this meeting has been moved to April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**VI. Adjourn**

There being no other business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.