Community Development Committee

Meeting date: August 18, 2014

Subject: Land Use Advisory Committee Report

District(s), Member(s): District 14, Jon Commers

Policy/Legal Reference: Minnesota Statutes, sections 473.127 and 473.853

Staff Prepared/Presented: Deb Detrick, Local Planning Assistance (651-602-1327)

Division/Department: Community Development Division

Proposed Action

No action is proposed.

Background

The Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) provides advice and assistance on metropolitan land use, comprehensive planning, and matters of metropolitan significance as requested by the Council.

The committee has 17 members and a chair, Council Member Commers. Half of committee members must be elected officials of local governmental units.

Rationale

The 2014 work plan for the Community Development Committee includes periodic reports from the Land Use Advisory Committee.

Overview

In May, committee members received updates and commented on these Agenda items:

- Update on Thrive MSP 2040 and Public Input; and

- Updates on Regional Policy Plans: (1) Transportation Policy Plan Outline and Schedule; (2) Regional Parks Policy Plan; (3) Water Resources Management Policy Plan Presentation and Water Resources Policy Plan Draft; and (4) Housing Policy Plan.

Committee members discussed four main topics on the Agenda in July:

- Conformance, Consistency, and Compatibility in Local Comprehensive Plans;

- Changes to Land Use and Local Planning in Draft 2040 Transportation Policy Plan;

- Local Planning Handbook; and

- Planning Assistance Fund.

The Land Use Advisory Committee will continue to give advice and feedback on the Planning Assistance Fund this fall and the Local Planning Handbook through early 2015. In addition, the committee will work on a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Guide. Other likely projects in 2015 include preparing for potential System Statements hearings and providing input on efforts supporting regional and local economic competitiveness.

Funding

N/A

Known Support / Opposition

N/A