Community Development Committee

Meeting date: September 21, 2015

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) gives advice and assistance on metropolitan land use, comprehensive planning, and matters of metropolitan significance as requested by the Council.

The committee currently has 14 members and a chair, Council Member Commers. Half of committee members must be elected officials of local governmental units.

During meetings in May and July, committee members gave further input on development of the Local Planning Handbook and the Transit Oriented Development Guide. Both resources will help local governments update their comprehensive plans. Other agenda topics included 2015 System Statements, planned for release this fall, and efforts to fill vacancies on LUAC.

In May, Agenda items included:

- 2015 System Statements;
- Local Planning Handbook Update on Testing; and
- Transit Oriented Development Guide Update.

The committee covered these Agenda topics in July:

- Membership and recruitment efforts, including LUAC Website and Committee Vacancy Page;
- Local Planning Handbook Progress Report; and
- TOD Guide Update.

At its next meeting in September, the committee will be updated again on 2015 System Statements and the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Guide. LUAC will see the results of their ongoing input in the launch of the Local Planning Handbook. The committee will also discuss economic competitiveness initiatives. In November, committee members will prepare for potential System Statement hearings.

Rationale

The 2015 work plan for the Community Development Committee includes periodic reports from the Land Use Advisory Committee.

Funding

N/A

Known Support / Opposition

N/A

