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Local Planning Handbook Update



Overview

Land Use **Transportation** Water Resources Management Parks and Natural Resources Housing Climate Change **Economic Competitiveness Special Resources Implementation**



Process and Timeline

Internal Scoping

April 2014

Community Outreach

April 2014 (ongoing)

Develop tools, content, and online platform

December 2014

Test the User Experience

Spring/Summer 2015

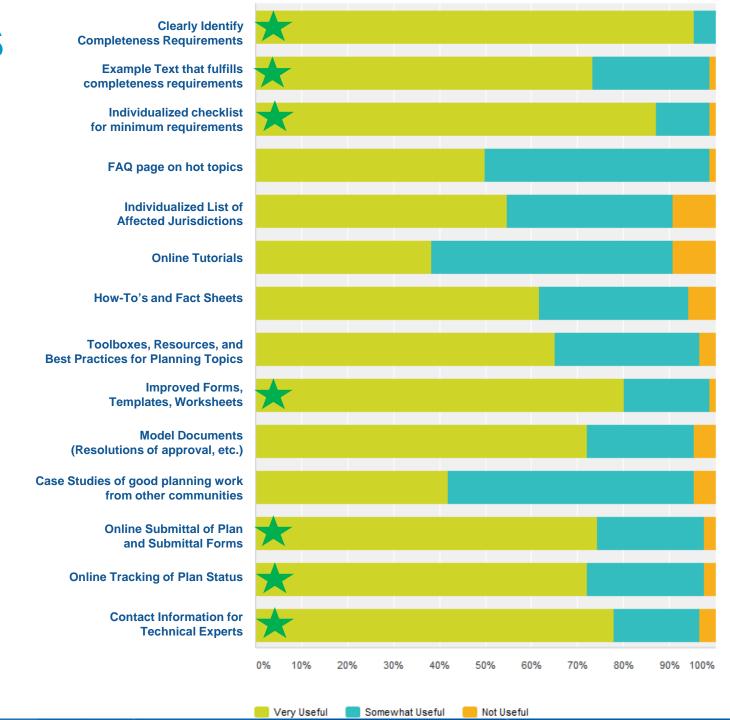
Rollout the Updated Local Planning Handbook

September 2015



Planners Survey Results

Question on Tools and Resource Preferences



Planners Survey Comments

- "Make it easier to navigate."
- "A more graphic format would be helpful."
- "Be specific about requirements for urban and rural communities..."
- "Recommendations on setting up actions plans for implementing goals identified in Comprehensive Plan..."
- "Provide funding for planning consultants."
- "More understanding that every City is unique and a cookie cutter approach is an issue.."
- "We don't really feel like we need a lot of help.."
- "Clear expectations with projected timelines for review/comment."
- "Work with us right from the start!"
- "Provide both online and in-person tools i.e. webinars, workshops."



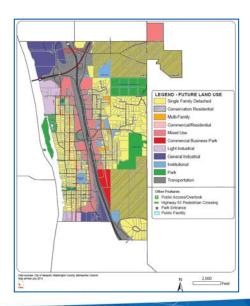
Tools

- Online Platform
- Individual Community Pages
- Checklist of Submittal Requirements
- Affected Jurisdictions List
- Online Submittal
- Status Tracking
- Mapping Tools

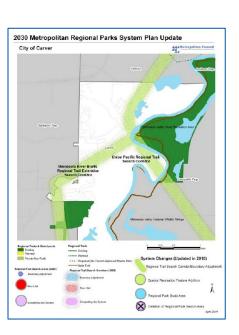


Mapping

- Static Maps
- Interactive Mapping Tool
- Future Land Use Mapping Tool/ Services









Resource Library

- Plan Examples
- How To's / Fact Sheets
- FAQs
- Toolboxes/Best Practices
- Forms/Worksheets
- Staff Contact Info
- Web Tutorials and Videos
- Community Highlights





We'd love your thoughts

- Thoughts on most valuable Handbook tools/resources?
 What would help your community?
- Are there resources that you have found to be excellent?
- Communities to highlight?



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