

Land Use Advisory Committee

Meeting date: March 15, 2018

Subject: Updated 2018 Land Use Advisory Committee Work Plan

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Bylaws of the Metropolitan Council Land Use Advisory Committee, art. II.B.1

Staff Prepared/Presented: Jon Commers, District 14; Deb Detrick, Community Development Division (651-602-1327)

Division/Department: Community Development / Regional Planning

Proposed Action

That the Land Use Advisory Committee approve the Land Use Advisory Committee's 2018 work plan.

Background

The Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) develops an annual work plan to guide its business and meeting agendas. The Land Use Advisory Committee's Chair may modify the work plan when approving agendas for meetings. Updates reflect the Committee's discussion of draft work plans on November 16, 2017, and January 18, 2018.

Review of Main Accomplishments

In recent years, the Committee's work led to these outcomes:

- Adoption of proposed amendments to LUAC bylaws by the Metropolitan Council in April 2017
- Input to shape [PlanIt](#) – Comprehensive Plan Training Program, such as the Water Management Tools Workshop, that supports planners updating local comprehensive plans
- Refinement of tools to help planners integrate resiliency strategies into local comprehensive plans / Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA)
- Development of resources in the [Local Planning Handbook](#) for comprehensive plan updates
- Clearer process to prepare for system statement hearings
- Review of land use policy in the [2040 Transportation Policy Plan \(TPP\)](#)
- Recommendation to the Council that influenced Community Designations in [Thrive MSP 2040](#)
- Ongoing reports to inform and engage the Community Development Committee

Meeting Dates in 2018

January 18, March 15, May 17, July 19, September 20, and November 15

Goals for 2018 Work Plan

- Advise the Council on land use, comprehensive planning, and other planning
- Influence communication of policies, initiatives, and resources for local governments
- Collaborate on land use and water supply planning
- Inform 2040 Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) Update

2018 Land Use Advisory Committee Work Plan (with some potential dates)

- Appointment of Vice Chair – January
- Update on new Committee member(s) to fill vacancies – March or May

- Comprehensive plan themes, questions, and emerging ideas - July
 - Report on trends, themes, and new ideas from comprehensive plans to track effectiveness and inform next round of policy plan updates
 - Impact of demographic changes
- Resiliency strategies for local comprehensive plans / Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA)
 - Give input on tools and help frame strategies for communicating with local governments
- 2018 Update of *2040 Transportation Policy Plan* (TPP)
 - Provide feedback on draft plan
 - Overview of issues, including automated vehicles and demographic changes
 - Land Use and Local Planning Chapter - January
 - Access to destinations
 - Accessibility for seniors and disabled; Metro Mobility
 - Give feedback on updates to transportation study possibilities – September/November
 - Learn about travel preferences by geographic area from Travel Behavior Inventory
 - Discuss Green Line’s impact on land use from onboard survey
- Joint workshops/meetings of Land Use Advisory Committee and Metropolitan Area Water Supply Advisory Committee
 - Collaborate to strengthen integration of land use and water supply planning
 - Continue dialog through update(s) from Metropolitan Area Water Supply Advisory Committee
- *PlanIt* - Comprehensive Plan Training Program - March
 - Report on impacts
- Metropolitan significance
 - Gain background information on metropolitan significance reviews
 - As requested by the Council, review and assess rules and procedures
- Housing
 - Give advice on ways to inform and support communities on mixed-income and inclusionary policies, including best practices in suburban communities – May
 - Governor’s Task Force on Housing – January
 - Messaging on affordable housing: “You Don’t Have to Live Here” report - March
 - Affordable housing
 - Address preservation of affordable housing
 - Support local implementation
 - Examine housing market and income trends affecting affordability
 - Provide feedback on land use strategies to increase multifamily housing and affordability
- Solar element in comprehensive plans and solar initiatives
 - Increase awareness of solar planning and support for initiatives
- Neighborhood Change and Transition Index – March and November
 - Ground truth findings and advise on technical assistance for suburban communities
- 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan – March and May
 - Learn about policy plan update
 - Give feedback on role of regional balance in additions to the regional parks system
- Equity initiatives
 - Learn about the Council’s work on equity through [Thrive MSP 2040](#), the Equity Change Team, and the Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) - May
 - Gain information on the [Equity Advisory Committee](#) and their work

- Learn about Racial Equity Work Plan and implementation
- Employment clusters and economic competitiveness – May and November
 - Serve as focus group for development of Economic Indicator Dashboard for each community in the *Local Planning Handbook*
 - Support implementation of local comprehensive plans by informing Guide to Market Analysis to help communities conduct their own market analyses
 - Increase awareness of resources, including workforce analysis, in the *Local Planning Handbook*