Metropolitan Council

Information Item

Land Use Advisory Committee



Meeting Date: May 19, 2022

Topic

2050 Regional Development Guide: Values, Vision, and Goals

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Metropolitan Council Land Use Advisory Committee Bylaws, Art. I. B.1(a)

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Division/Department: Community Development

Proposed Action

None. This item is presented for informational purposes and to support the Land Use Advisory Committee's input into identification of values, vision, and outcomes for the 2050 Regional Development Guide.

Background

As discussed during the last meeting on March 17th, the Metropolitan Council has begun efforts related to the development of the 2050 Regional Development Guide (RDG) as well as four regional policy plans (Water Resources, Parks, Transportation, and Housing). Adoption of the 2050 RDG is anticipated to occur in 2024. At the May 19th meeting of the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC), we would like to facilitate an initial discussion of ideas for the Values, Vision, and Goals that will be the foundation for the planning and policy work to follow. We will return at a future meeting to discuss input we receive from other stakeholders on values, vision, and goals related to land use.

In early conversations with staff and Council Members around this work, we recognize that the words we use matter a great deal. They can help set a constructive tone, provide clarity of purpose to our work, and inspire action. Furthermore, they can also establish a chain of accountability so that our policies and strategies are developed (or adjusted) in service of the overall Vision and the people in the region.

The Council has been discussing the following ten "exploratory issues", many of which are directly or indirectly related to land use, housing, and development. They are meant to generate discussion and are not proposed as a way to organize the plan.

- Affordability
- Climate
- Equity
- Infrastructure
- Pandemic Recovery

- Public Health
- Resiliency
- Shared Prosperity
- Stewardship
- Welcoming and Safe Communities

To assist with preparation for the discussion, please consider taking part in a short four question

online survey prior to the meeting. A link to the survey will be sent via e-mail to LUAC members. Your responses will be referenced in the presentation, but you are encouraged to share or expound on them during the meeting. Your complete written responses will be compiled in their entirety and shared with you after the meeting. Your input from this and future meetings will directly be considered by the Council.

You are also welcomed to share your thoughts with me over the phone or by e-mail at michael.larson@metc.state.mn.us.

Thank you in advance and I very much look forward to our discussion.