City appoints new committee to steer implementation of Comprehensive Plan

INDIANAPOLIS—The City of Indianapolis, Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD), has appointed 16 community members to serve on the newly created Indianapolis Insight Implementation Committee. The group is charged with facilitating the implementation of the Community Values Component of Indianapolis Insight, the Indianapolis-Marion County Comprehensive Plan.

Members of the committee will meet on a regular basis, assisting the city in prioritizing and implementing the recommendations of the Community Values Component. In addition, the group will work to increase public participation in the planning process.

“The Implementation Committee was created as a direct result of community feedback received early in the planning process. The committee will not only ensure that the voice of the community is heard, it will also maximize the effectiveness of the plan,” said Maury Plambeck, DMD Director.

Members of the Indianapolis Insight Implementation Committee are:

Harold Anderson, Metropolitan Development Commission  
Ken Bartlett, Decatur Township Civic Council  
John Braun, Marion County Alliance of Neighborhood Associations  
Sally Getz, Greater Allisonville Community Council  
Jason Larrison, Hoosiers for Transit Options  
Greg Lindsey, IUPUI School of Public and Environmental Affairs  
Remo Mezzetta, Associated Builders & Contractors  
Jeff Miller, Earth Day Indiana  
Brian Murphy, Metropolitan Development Commission  
Vop Osili, Board of Zoning Appeals  
Al Polin, Mapleton-Fall Creek Umbrella Organization  
Cherrish Pryor, Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce  
Chris Pryor, Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors  
Sherry Seiwert, Local Initiatives Support Corporation  
Greg Silver, Indianapolis Bar Association  
Roger Stephens, Builders Association of Greater Indianapolis

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The comprehensive plan update consists of two phases. The first phase, the Community Values Component, was adopted February 20, 2002. It contains, among other things, standards by which to update the Land Use Maps and 283 recommendations for new or revised policies, procedures, programs or ordinances as they relate to the development of the city or to the mission of DMD.

The update of the Land Use Maps, the second phase of the new comprehensive plan, began in May 2002 and will likely continue through late 2004. Although the Land Use Maps are being updated area by area, they will be put together to form a countywide plan that will be adopted upon completion.

Required by state statute as the basis for zoning, the Indianapolis-Marion County Comprehensive Plan includes both objectives and policies for future land use development that involve public ways, places, lands, structures and utilities. Last updated in 1993, this update of the comprehensive plan will utilize broad-based public input over a 48 month period.

For more information about the Indianapolis-Marion County Comprehensive Plan please log on to www.indygov.org/dmdplan/indianapolisinsight or call (317) 327-5151.