

**SMART PLANNING  
Meeting Minutes**

**January 11, 2011**

**10:00 a.m.**

**ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park  
Dubuque, IA 52002**

**Consortium Members**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anna O'Shea-Dubuque County     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Berger-City of Epworth |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Carstens-City of Dubuque | <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Einwalter-City of Farley           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dave Johnson (proxy)-City of Dubuque      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Snyder-City of Peosta  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz-City of Asbury                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Schmechel-Dubuque SWCD  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Henry-City of Cascade     | <input type="checkbox"/> Chandra Ravada-ECIA                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mick Michel-City of Dyersville |  |

**Public Present**

Jim Bodnar, Dubuque County

**Staff Present**

Dan Fox

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Anna O'Shea at 10:05 a.m. The Smart Planning meeting for January 11, 2011 was held at ECIA in Dubuque.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved. Motion by Carstens, second by Snyder to approve the agenda for January 11, 2011. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Review and approve the minutes from the Wednesday, November 23, 2011 and the Wednesday, December 14, 2011 Smart Planning Consortium Meetings**

Changes were made to the minutes from Wednesday 23, 2011. Motion by Carstens, second by Berger to approve the minutes from November 23, 2011 as amended. Snyder abstained.

Changes were made to the minutes from Wednesday, December 14, 2011. Motion by Snyder, second by Carstens to approve the minutes from December 14, 2011 as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Comments from the public that do not appear on the agenda.**

No public was present for comments.

### **Discussion on Housing Chapter**

Fox presented the changes made to the document and discussed the two new sections to the document. The new sections include combined housing and transportation costs, and a future needs section. Discussion followed and some additional changes were suggested to Fox.

Carstens suggested that Fox add a description about the initiative to the housing section to give an overview. This could go after the sustainable design and before the future section.

Motion by Michel, second by Carstens to approve the Housing Chapter as amended.

### **Discussion on Economic Development Goals and Objectives**

Carstens provided written comments on the Goals and Objectives. Each member of the consortium has been encouraged to share this document with their city councils and zoning commissions to get feedback.

Motion by Carstens, second by Berger to approve the Economic Development Goals and Objectives as amended.

### **Review Land Use Workshop Input**

O'Shea reported that 30 people attended the Dubuque County land use workshop on December 20. Member from Tri-State Trail Vision, the watershed group, two county supervisors, and four zoning commission members were in attendance. The input given at the workshop was shared with the consortium. The consortium has decided to have a longer February meeting to look at a County map with all of the input given so far to go over Land Use. City councils view the input later.

### **Discussion on Smart Zoning Ordinances**

O'Shea explained that she had been looking into grant opportunities that could reduce the total project costs for the cities. If any grant opportunities are identified, Fox will send out information to the Consortium members.

### **Discuss Community Overview Chapter**

Michel researched the chapter housing data further and found that information presented was accurate.

Motion by Michel, second by Carstens to accept the Community Overview Chapter. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Other Business**

No other business.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Snyder, second by Carstens to adjourn the January 11, 2012 Smart City Planning meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.