



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORKING SESSION

October 3, 2002

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bergman at 6:33 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Armentrout, Bergman, Craiger, DeLong, Irwin, Kern, Prater, Shaw, Sizemore, Solowczuk, Yekulis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comms. Gunn, Kestenbaum, Montague, Peterson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob Guenzel, County Administrator; Frank Cambria, Deputy Administrator; Gordon Burger, Scott Patton, Finance; Amy Klinke, Administration, Rebecca Head, Environmental Services; Terri Blackmore, Jay Connor, Washtenaw Area Transportation Study (WATS); Barbara King, Deputy Clerk; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizen Participation

None.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation

None.

Sustainable Washtenaw Indicators Project

Jay Connor provided a presentation regarding the Sustainable Washtenaw Strategic Framework that included the following:

How to use the Indicators Report

Three areas of County Resident Disconnect: Environmental Problems, Willingness to Pay More for Taxes, and Travel Behavior and Neighborhood Preference.

Ten Avenues of Action

Regional Compact

Four Goals:

Goal 1 Create Coherent Regional Growth and Development Patterns

Goal 2 Coordinate Land Use, Infrastructure, Public Services, and Transportation

- Goal 3 Reinforce our Community Identities and Sense of Place while Maintaining Quality of Life for all Income Levels.
- Goal 4 Protect and Enhance Open Space and Recreational Opportunities.

Time was provided for questions and answers.

Terri Blackmore provided a presentation that included the following:

Sustainable Washtenaw Transportation Mission

Essential Actions

What is Sustainability?

What is Transportation?

What is Sprawl?

10 Traits of Sprawl?

The Land Use – Transportation Connection

Sustainable Transportation Toolkit Topics

- Sustainability, Sprawl, and Transportation (Historical Perspective)

- Sustainability, Sprawl, and Transportation (in Washtenaw County)

- Land-Use/Transportation Relationship

- Traffic Congestion

- Mono-Transportation – Lack of Options

- Walkable and Bikeable Communities

- Public Transit

- Mixed-Use Development

- Transit-Oriented Development

Time was provided for questions and answers.

County Administrator Report

None.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

Comm. Shaw indicated arrangements for the next regional planning meeting have been made, with transportation as its focus, for December 3, at the LLRC. She asked that Commissioners put it on their calendar.

Pending

None.

Status of Annual Activities/Goals

No report.

Citizen Participation

None.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None.

Adjournment

Comm. Prater supported by Comm. Solowczuk moved that the meeting be adjourned until October 17, 2002, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room, Washtenaw County Administration Building. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Barbara Levin Bergman, Chair

Peggy M. Haines, Clerk/Register
By: Barbara L. King, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 10/16/02