Comprehensive Plan Step 5: Evaluate Plan and Process

Step #5 includes the following sub-steps:

- A. Evaluate planning process
- B. Evaluate public participation plan process
- C. Generate recommendations for planning and public participation processes
- D. Incorporate recommendations into planning and public participation processes for use in future plan revision/updates

Public Participation Plan for Comprehensive Plan Step 5

General Public Participation Strategy

As the plan is implemented, it is imperative to monitor and reassess the effectiveness of the strategies that have been put into place. Effective strategies need to be maintained, while the ineffective strategies need to be modified or terminated. A plan amendment process needs to be developed to address issues that develop with the plan, or changes that take place in the community that necessitate change in the documents. Although this is listed as step 5, this step should be ongoing throughout the planning process and used to refine all steps in the planning and public participation process.

Public Awareness

Use standard public awareness tools (news releases, radio, cable TV, newsletters and presentations) related to plan monitoring, assessment and amendment procedures.

Public Education

Public education session(s) related to plan monitoring, assessment and amendment procedures that could include the use of displays and exhibits, forums or open houses.

Public Input

Interactive question and answer function on the website and accept questions from the public and provide answers and referrals by the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. This step could also be included in focus groups, open houses or other public events to obtain input for evaluating the planning and public participation planning process.

Public Interaction

Discussion between the public, planners, and Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee members could occur during quadrant meetings, through focus groups and at other public events. This interaction could include dialogue on the development of appropriate and efficient means to monitor the effectiveness of the plan and develop a process through which it can be modified on an ongoing basis.

Public Partnership

The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, Staff Team and Work Groups shall meet to develop a plan evaluation process, develop a plan review and amendment process in light of input received from the public.