
Working Committee Meeting

November 27, 2012



Welcome

- Scott Ulrich, Lead Planner
- Anna Thomas, Admin. Assistant

Tonight's meeting

- Planning Review
- Progress update
- Current Conditions & Vision Report
- Public Meeting #1
- Next Working Committee Meeting

Planning Review

- Vision for a community's future
 - How land is used
 - How the community looks
 - How people get around
- Recommendations to achieve the vision
 - Projects, Programs, and Policies
 - Short Term → Long Term

Working Committee

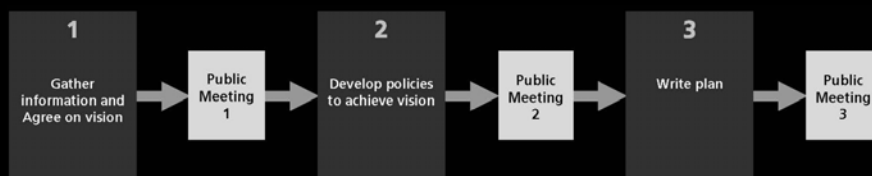
■ Your role

- Provide oversight, give direction
- Review documents – written/verbal feedback
- Promote public meetings

You make the plan a success.

Progress Update

3 phases:



Current Conditions & Vision Report

- Two parts:
 - Current Conditions
 - What is it like?
 - What is happening?
 - Community Vision
 - How do we want it to be?
 - What needs to change?

Part 1: Current Conditions

- What is it?
 - Overview of where the community is today
- How did we make it?
 - Published data
 - Field research
- Why make it?
 - Gain a thorough understanding of the area

Part 1: Current Conditions

Document Review

- People and Community
- Current Conditions Maps

* Please provide written feedback

Part 2: *Draft* Community Vision

- What is it?
 - Preliminary vision for the future
 - Guides policy development
- How did we make it?
 - Previous/existing plans
 - Stakeholder interviews
- Why make it?
 - Provide a starting point for public feedback

Planning Context

- Previous Brown Township Plans
 - Review past priorities
- Recent plans that include Brown Township
 - Understand new realities
- Surrounding jurisdictions' plans
 - Know what to plan for, what to respond to

Stakeholder Interviews

- Who did we interview?
 - Township leaders
 - County agencies
 - Surrounding jurisdictions
 - Special interest groups
- Why did we interview them?
 - To get a local understanding of issues of concern, balanced with outside perspectives

Research & Interviews

Issues Identified

- Land Use
 - Agricultural pride & preservation
 - Rural housing character
 - Limited commercial development
 - Open space & environmental protection

Research & Interviews

Issues Identified

- Transportation
 - Increased traffic
 - Narrow roads (pros and cons)
 - Safer alternative connections needed

Research & Interviews

Issues Identified

- Community
 - Annexation pressures
 - Last frontier
 - Schools

Draft Vision Statements

- What are they?
 - Describe the community's desired future in simple terms
 - Divided into topic areas that address the physical environment and community
- Where did they come from?
 - Goals of 2005 plan
 - Issues identified during interviews

Draft Vision Statements

Vision for Land Use

- Land uses that support a healthy watershed
- Site design that fits with existing character and mitigates adverse environmental impacts
- Preserved open space that maintains the township's physical beauty and environmental quality
- A rural residential landscape and lifestyle
- A prominent and economically viable agricultural community

Draft Vision Statements

Vision for Transportation

- A well-maintained road system that enhances safety and preserves rural character
- A bicycle network that provides connections to nearby trails and destinations

Draft Vision Statements

Vision for Community

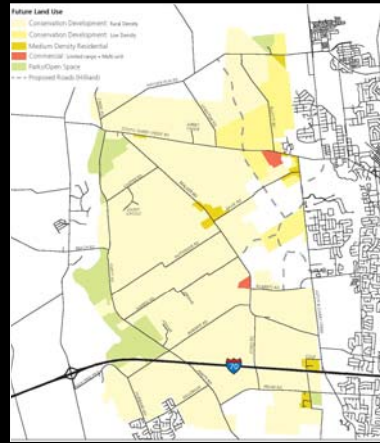
- A well-maintained park system that meets residents' needs
- A community identity that builds township pride and encourages interaction
- Well established partnerships with neighboring jurisdictions

Draft Vision Maps

- Future Land Use
- Conservation Strategy
- Bikeways
- Roadway Improvements

Future Land Use

- Conservation Development: Rural Density
- Conservation Development: Low Density
- Medium Density Residential
- Commercial: Limited Range + Multifamily

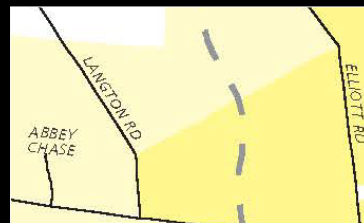


Future Land Use

- Conservation Development: Rural Density
Residential, maximum 0.4 units/acre (2.5+ acre lots)
* Still allows for large-lot rural estates
- Conservation Development: Low Density
Residential, maximum 1 unit/acre
* Hilliard Growth Area

Requirements:

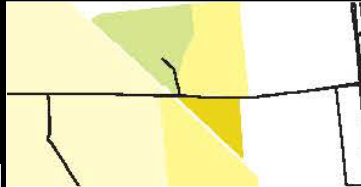
- 50% Open Space is protected in perpetuity
- Meaningful open space – scenic pastures and meadows, large tracts of forested woodland
- Vegetated buffers around wetlands and streams
- Scenic views from street are maintained
- Rural character of community is preserved



Future Land Use

Medium Density Residential

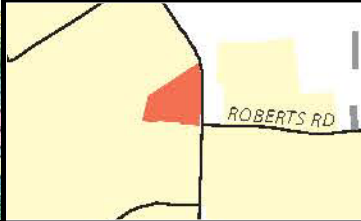
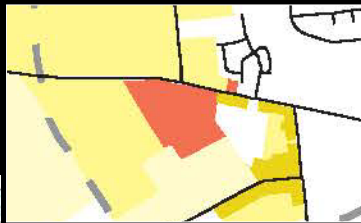
Residential, maximum 2 units/acre
* Mostly existing development



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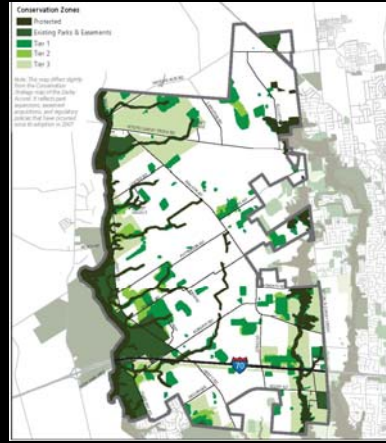
Commercial: Limited Range + Multifamily

Neighborhood-scale retail and office with single and multi-family residential, maximum 8 units/acre
Consistent with Darby Accord; Roberts/Walker location moved north of Township Hall



Conservation Strategy

- Protected**
 1,446 acres protected by floodplain and stream setback regulations
- Existing Parks & Easements**
 1,314 acres Metro Parks, 13 acres FSWCD easements
- Tier 1**
 Floodplains, wetlands, groundwater protection zones
- Tier 2**
 Highly erodible soils, wooded areas > 3 acres
- Tier 3**
 Open space network, habitat connectivity, recreation



Bikeways

- Bike lane**
 Alton & Darby Creek Road
- Shared-use path**
 Big Darby Creek / Prairie Oaks Metro Park
 Hayden Run Road
 Hubbard Road
 Walker Road
 Davis Road
 Roberts Road
 Feder Road
 Elliot Road
- Paved shoulder**
 Scioto & Darby Creek Road
 Patterson Road
 Jones Road
- Signed shared roadway**
 None (per 2005 plan recommendations)



Roadway Improvements

--- New roads

Hilliard Growth Area

— Roadway improvements

Hayden Run Road

Elliot Road

Davis Road

Amity Road

Feder Road

* Reflects recommendations of Franklin County Thoroughfare Plan and Hilliard Thoroughfare Plan



Document Review

Part 2: Community Vision

- *Draft* Vision Statements
- *Draft* Future Land Use Map
- *Draft* Conservation Strategy
- *Draft* Bikeways
- *Draft* Roadway Improvements

* Please provide written feedback

Public Meeting 1

- December 11, 2012 – 6:30 to 8:00pm
 - Brown Township Hall – 2491 Walker Road
- At the meeting
 - Introduction to process
 - Written feedback on Current Conditions & Vision
 - Surveys in mail & online for those unable to attend
- Your role: participant – observer – promoter

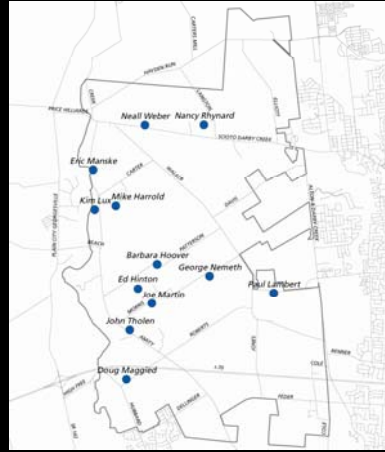
Public Meeting Promotion

- Flyers / Posters
- Mailbox hangers
- Block Watch newsletter
- Township Website *
- Township newsletter
- Newspaper – *ThisWeek Hilliard Northwest*
- Email *
- Signs

Mailbox hangers

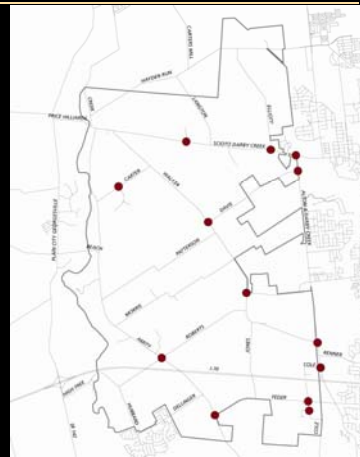
- 800 hangers
 - 16 packets of 50
- Split up township
- Some areas need volunteers
 - Subdivisions
 - Northeast
 - Southeast
 - Walker Road

* Please post by Mon. 12/3



Sign locations

- 5 Large signs (24x36)
 - Primary gateways to township
 - Preferably stop signs or traffic lights
- 5 Small signs (18x24)
 - Subdivision entrances



PUBLIC MEETING

Brown Township Comprehensive Plan

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 6:30pm

Brown Township Hall
2491 Walker Road

Info: tinyurl.com/browntownship

Next meeting

- Tuesday, February 12 - 6:30 to 8:00pm
- Brown Township Hall

- At the meeting
 - Review Policy Recommendations document (available one week prior to meeting)
 - Discuss public meeting #2

Next meeting

- Monday, November 26 - 6:30 to 8:00pm
- Brown Township Hall

- Homework
 - Promote public meeting – December 11
 - Attend public meeting
 - Review public meeting summary and Policy Recommendations document (available one week prior to next meeting)

Questions?

Thanks for coming!

