# Central Mississippi River ~ Regional Planning Partnership

Creating a shared regional vision and goals, then working together to accomplish them www.RegionalPlanningPartnership.org ◆ regionalplanningpartnership@gmail.com

## April 22, 2021 7:30 a.m. (Partnership and Staff Roster)

- Under COVID-19 guidelines, in-person meeting will be held at Sherburne County Government Center County Board Room, 13880 Business Center Drive, Elk River 55330
- Join the meeting remotely by computer: <u>Join meeting.</u> Join by phone: 1-510-338-9438. Meeting number (access code): 628 100 271. Meeting password: cGP5VVGp.

Topic	Action	Lead
Routine Business		
Welcome and call to order (Link: <u>Meeting Presentation</u> )		Chair
2. Introductions/roll call for both in-person and online (sign-in sheet as relevant)		
<ul> <li>a. Members Present (in person or remotely): <ol> <li>Becker Township: Brian Kolbinger</li> <li>Big Lake Township: Dean Brenteson</li> <li>City of Becker: Tracy Bertram, Rick Hendrickson, Jacob Sanders, Marie Pflipsen</li> <li>City of Big Lake: Paul Seefeld, Clay Wilfahrt, Lucinda Meyers</li> <li>City of Monticello: Rachel Leonard</li> <li>Monticello Township: Shannon Bye, Bob Idziorek</li> <li>Sherburne County: Tim Dolan, Raeanne Danielowski, Marc Schneider, Dan Weber</li> <li>Silver Creek Township: Barry Heikkinen</li> <li>Wright County: Darek Vetsch</li> </ol> </li> <li>b. Others Present (in person or remotely): Framework 2030 consultant Kyle May (in person) and CMRP process consultant Anne Carroll (in person)</li> </ul>		
3. Agenda: Revise/approve  Notes: Moved by Tim Dolan, seconded by Barry Heikkinen. Approved.	Changes, Approve	
4. Previous meeting notes, <u>January 28, 2021</u> Notes: Moved by Dean Brenteson, seconded by Barry Heikkinen. Approved.	Changes, Approve	Chair
5. Treasurer's Report  Notes: Moved by Barry Heikkinen, seconded by Tracy Bertram. Received.	Questions, Receive	Treasurer
Action Items, Issues		
6. Framework 2030 Round 2 Draft Engagement (Report): Review and take action on final draft vision and key strategies	Discussion, take action	Chair, consultants
a. <u>Process, background</u>		
b. <u>Vision</u> i. Present original vision and summary feedback		

- ii. Present recommended changes as best effort toward reaching consensus
  - What did you find intriguing, surprising, or raised questions? What are your additional comments, thoughts, or questions? (Aim is to reach consensus -- that the vision statement reasonably reflects the principles and priorities of CMRP and doesn't violate core beliefs, values)
  - Process consultant flipcharts these (remote contributions via chat through staff) and then Partnership looks at entire list and decides how to proceed
- iii. Vote on vision (Chair): Partners
- c. <u>Strategies</u> -- one content group at a time (land use, economic development, interconnections)
  - i. Land use:
    - 1. Present original 4 strategies, feedback on these, and recommended refinements to strategies in this group
    - 2. Popcorn reflections on the feedback and recommended revision (if any) for these 4 strategies: What did you find intriguing, surprising, or raised questions? Additional comments, thoughts, questions?
    - Process consultant flipcharts these, then Partnership looks at entire list and decides how to proceed; remote contributions via chat through staff
    - Consensus check (Chair) on final versions of these 4 strategies: Decide if these revised strategies generally support the vision, reasonably reflect the principles and priorities of CMRP, and don't violate core beliefs, values
  - ii. <Repeat for economic development and interconnections>
  - iii. Vote on all 12 consensus versions of the strategies (Chair): Partners

### Notes: See Presentation

#### Vision

- Final version for Partner vote: We -- the communities of the Central
   Mississippi River Regional Planning Partnership -- are a strong and dynamic
   region. We are made prosperous through our network of assets and
   proactive leadership, made distinct through our vital and connected places,
   and made home by our welcoming people and communities.
- Moved by Tracy Bertram, seconded by Barry Heikkinen; approved unanimously

#### Strategies

- L1: consensus to change to "Leverage the region's unique parks, trails, and natural resources"
- L2: consensus to change to "Promote life-cycle housing"
- L4: consensus to change to "Improve regional communication to support local land planning and management"
- E1: consensus to change to "Expand on the quality and variety of employment opportunities"

- I2: consensus to change to "Enhance connections between our communities"
- Final set of revised strategies for Partner vote (highlights are 4/22 changes):

#### Land use

- L1: Leverage the region's unique parks, trails, and natural resources
- L2: Promote life-cycle housing
- L3: Invest in placemaking
- L4: Improve regional communication to better support local land planning & mgmt.

#### **Economic growth**

- E1: Expand on the quality and variety of employment opportunities
- E2: Increase the pool of skilled labor in the region
- E3: Network the response to economic disruptions
- E4: Measure impacts of action locally and regionally

#### Interconnections

- I1: Create a clear and compelling regional identity to advance collaborative work
- I2: Enhance connections between our communities
- 13: Share talent, time, and information
- I4: Continually address regional vulnerabilities and emerging opportunities
- Motion by Barry Heikkinen, second by Tim Dolan; approved unanimously

## **Discussion or Information Items**

- 7. Setup for the special April 29 Partnership action planning workshop Notes: See <u>Presentation</u>
  - 8. Other business/future agenda items

Notes: Tim Dolan informed the Partners about a letter received from the City of Becker expressing significant concerns. He explained that as nearly all these issues have been publicly addressed in the past, ExComm will prepare a response to these concerns and Tim Dolan and Tracy Bertram will present that to the City Council as soon as it can be scheduled. The letter will be provided to Partners for their information. He said ExComm welcomes help on this from any other Partners, and anyone interested should contact Tim Dolan.

9. Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.