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Subject: Community feedback on the Comprehensive plan

Dear members of the planning commission,

I watched last night's meeting on zoom last night and appreciated the discussion of the first 3 chapters of the plan.

I particularly appreciated the discussion about the feedback that has been received and how to aggregate and catalog that information. I would heartedly support that.

A significant issue at this time is the loss of trust in the process and a feeling that feedback is entering an abyss and that the planning commission and city council are not listening. That feedback should be categorized and summarized (as discussed last night) and the document shared with the public. The Commission could then address the summarized concerns. This has the potential to appear, and to be, more transparent.

In my re-retirement life, I learned that engaging people and learning to address their concerns is critical to the success of any project. Building trust with involved citizens will help to support an eventual plan. Not everyone's needs will be perfectly met, but they will feel acknowledged and heard.

Please consider my request and support for categorizing the feedback you have received by subject and summarizing the content.

Thank you

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