

Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Update

April 13, 2006

The following is a summary of activities related to the Ozaukee County multi-jurisdictional planning process that occurred during the first quarter of 2006. Updates will be provided quarterly for the remainder of the planning process.

- **Interactive Design Workshop**

Please join us on Saturday, May 6, at the Grafton Elementary School Gym (1800 Washington Street, Grafton) for your chance to participate in the Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Open House and Interactive Design Workshop. The workshop will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It will be an open house format with several exhibits, so visit for an hour or stay all morning. Please invite all of your friends and neighbors to attend and participate. Activities will include:

- An interactive computer modeling program for land use planning
- An image preference survey
- A water resources station
- An overview of comprehensive planning, from legislation to implementation
- Countywide land use, transportation, demographic, and agricultural and natural resources maps and information
- A neighborhood planning and conservation subdivision station
- A sustainable development practices station
- An open space and farmland preservation station
- Comprehensive planning displays by cities, villages, and towns from around the County
- Land use planning activities for children

Staff from the following organizations will be on hand to answer your questions and collect your comments on the comprehensive plan:

- Ozaukee County Planning, Resources, and Land Management Department
- UW-Extension, Ozaukee County
- Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC)
- UW-Madison Land Information and Computer Graphics Facility
- Wisconsin Coastal Management Program
- Wisconsin Sea Grant
- Ulao Creek Partnership
- Land Conservation Partnership of Ozaukee County
- Cities, Villages, and Towns from around the County
- And others

For more information, please contact Andrew Struck at the Ozaukee County Planning, Resources, and Land Management Department at (262) 284-8270, or at astruck@co.ozaukee.wi.us, or Ben McKay at the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) at (262) 547-6721, extension 229, or at bmckay@sewrpc.org.

- **Upcoming Meetings**

- The next meeting of the Comprehensive Planning Board (CPB) of the County Board of Supervisors is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 16, at 1:00 p.m. in room 118 of the County Administration Center. The main agenda item will be a report and discussion on comments received at the County comprehensive planning interactive design workshop on May 6. New appointments to the CPB by the Chairperson of the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors will

occur on Wednesday, May 3, 2006. The CPB is comprised of one County Board Supervisor from each of the County's six standing committees and one at-large County Board Supervisor.

- The next meeting of the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27, at 5:30 p.m. in the County Administration Center Auditorium. The main agenda item will be a review and possible action on Chapter VI, *Issues and Opportunities Element*, of the County comprehensive plan.

- **Comprehensive Plan Community Public Informational Meetings (PIM)**

Comprehensive plan public informational meetings (PIM) have recently been held in each local unit of government participating in the multi-jurisdictional planning process. The focus of each meeting was on the local comprehensive planning process and preparation of a local comprehensive plan. Typically, the meetings included a short presentation and four information stations organized around the nine required comprehensive plan elements.

Each station included community specific thematic inventory maps, handouts and other materials related to the plan elements represented at a specific station, and "fast fact" sheets that included inventory data specific to each community. Thematic maps prepared for cities and villages included 2000 land use; 2000 environmental corridors; extraterritorial plat review jurisdiction areas; existing sanitary sewer service area and areas served by sanitary sewer; and surface waters, floodplains, and wetlands. Thematic maps prepared for towns included 2000 land use; 2000 environmental corridors; city and village extraterritorial plat review jurisdiction areas; land evaluation rating for cropland; potential sources of sand and gravel; and surface waters, floodplains, and wetlands.

Attendees were able post their comments on comment boards located at each station and were encouraged to post their vision for the future of their community on a comment board specifically for vision statements. Two to four County and SEWRPC staff members and local officials or staff were present for each PIM. There were a total of 14 meetings held over a three month period. Over 200 participants attended the meetings, which received an overall evaluation score of 4.3 on a five point scale.

- **Local Public Participation Plans**

The comprehensive planning law requires the governing body of each local government preparing a comprehensive plan to adopt a public participation plan (PPP). A model community PPP has been developed and is available on the County website to assist in developing local PPPs. The model PPP addresses all comprehensive planning law public participation requirements. Please contact Ben McKay at SEWRPC at (262)-547-6721 or bmckay@sewrpc.org if your community would like assistance in preparing a community PPP or modifying the model PPP for local use. SEWRPC staff is also available to assist in drafting resolutions to adopt a local PPP.

To date, local public participation plans have been adopted by each community except the Villages of Belgium and Grafton.

- **Preparation of the Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan Report**

The first five chapters of the County plan report have been completed and approved by the CAC and CPB. The chapters include:

- Chapter I, *Introduction and Background*, was reviewed and approved by the CAC on July 12, 2005, and by the CPB on September 27, 2005.

- Chapter II, *Population, Household, and Employment Trends and Projections*, has been updated. Part I includes inventory information on the size, characteristics, and distribution of the resident population, household, and employment levels. Part II includes projections of future population, household, and employment levels to 2035, which is the design year of the County comprehensive plan. Chapter II was reviewed and approved by the CAC on December 13, 2005, and by the CPB on January 17, 2006.
- Chapter III, *Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resources Inventory*, inventories and maps information regarding soil types, existing farmland, farming operations, topography and geology, water resources, forest resources, natural areas and critical species habitats, environmental corridors, park and open space sites, historical resources, archaeological resources, and non-metallic mining resources. Chapter III was reviewed by the Technical Staff Workgroup on October 13, 2005. The chapter was reviewed and approved by the CAC on November 1, 2005, and by the CPB on March 21, 2006.
- Chapter IV, *Inventory of Existing Land Uses, Transportation Facilities and Services, and Utilities and Community Facilities*, includes an inventory of residential, commercial, industrial, governmental and institutional, agricultural, and extractive land uses in the planning area. Chapter IV also inventories the exiting transportation facilities and services and utilities and community facilities serving the planning area. Chapter IV was reviewed by the Technical Staff Workgroup on November 21, 2005. The Chapter was reviewed and approved by the CAC on December 13, 2005, and by the CPB on January 17, 2006.
- Chapter V, *Existing Plans and Ordinances*, was reviewed and approved by the CAC on July 12, 2005, and by the CPB on September 27, 2005. The chapter summarizes existing local, county, and regional plans relevant to comprehensive planning, and also summarizes zoning, subdivision, official mapping, and stormwater management ordinances in effect in the County.

Chapters I, II, IV, and V and PowerPoint summaries of each chapter have been posted on the County website. Chapter III and a PowerPoint summary will be posted on the website following the addition of comments from the March 21, 2006, CPB meeting.

- **Next Steps**

A mailing including County comprehensive plan draft chapters I, II, III, IV, and V (introduction and inventory chapters) and a letter with a timeline for completing local government comprehensive plan draft inventory chapters will be sent to each participating local government in mid-May.