2019/2020 Local Technical Assistance and Community Planning Programs

Application Number: 45

Project Title: Dolton Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Update

Applicant: Village of Dolton

Project Description:

We envision updating our dated comprehensive plan and creating a new zoning plan and providing a more current vision with a focus on Sibley Boulevard and the Downtown Dolton corridor and residential areas. We have experienced limited reinvestment within existing residential areas. Technical assistance with a staff planner in the Village to assist with focusing on shaping a comprehensive plan that establish a long-term vision for a community and provide a policy framework intended to help the community achieve that vision and community goals is needed. The Village would like to identify opportunities to improve the downtown streetscape (lighting, complete streets, multiuse paths, green infrastructure) to provide an inviting and welcoming pedestrian experience with greater curb appeal provide safer access to transit and local business. We need to review ways in which land uses surrounding the downtown core could encourage greater residential density without impacting the character of these neighborhoods. Luminate street signs that is visually attractive and clear which incorporates a recognizable theme which can easily be implemented within the downtown and surrounding area. Also provide an economic development plan including workforce development strategies for employment, policies, and best practices that foster sustainable growth. Inventory and assessment of the community's existing conditions including population, housing, economic development, transportation, land use, and natural resources. Stormwater management challenges, health for seniors, historic preservation, are also high priority to the Village. This updated comprehensive plan and new zoning plan will serve as a blueprint to guide community efforts, enhance the quality-of-life, strengthen the vitality of local businesses, and manage growth and development for the future of Dolton. This plan would include the principles outlined in the ON TO 2050 Goals to included inclusive Growth, Resilience, and Prioritized Investment.

Project Location: The proposed project location is entire limits in the Village of Dolton. The project will provide a updated comprehensive plan for the community. It will focus on a Sibley Boulevard and the Downtown Dolton corridor. Playing special attention to the residential, commercial, and industrial areas. The downtown core is surrounded by single-family neighborhoods with parks, local businesses, schools, and transit. The Village has seen limited reinvestment but we encourage private reinvestment. Project will focus on future land use and infrastructure improvements that would help to strengthen the inner core of the community and spur economic investment and growth.