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Economic and Community Development Working Group on Innovation Potential Work plan

Description:

In an effort to define and understand innovation for the comprehensive plan committee members will work with staff to identify businesses and coordinate small roundtable meetings to learn about innovation in the private sector. Meeting format will consist of 8-12 business/industrial professionals familiar with the innovative processes and products. The meetings will also involve two committee members to host and CMAP staff will take notes.

June

- -Two meetings are currently being planned for early June. The first meeting will focus on innovation in manufacturing/clean-technology in the region. The second meeting, with the assistance from Gary Skoog will have focus on innovation in small to mid-size businesses.
- Committee members are highly encouraged to suggest one or two companies that fit these categories and can be contacted to participate.

<u>July</u>

-Prepare brief summary paper on results.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion