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MEMORANDUM

To: Land Use Committee

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From: Bob Dean, Associate Regional Planner

Re: Comments on Draft Goals

Comments on the goals worksheet were received from several committee members. These comments, and their effects on the goal classifications, are summarized below.

In addition, an updated version of the initial goal classifications, which includes modified classifications for the Environment and Natural Resources, Housing, and Human Services committees, is attached.

- Access to Education – if the goal involves physical planning (as in planning school structures), it should be Relevant; if not, it should remain blank.
- Accessibility of Arts and Culture – if the goal involves physical planning (as in planning the location of arts and culture institutions), it is correctly classified as Relevant; if not, it should become blank. Another comment suggested changing this goal from Relevant to blank.
- Business Attraction and Retention, Community Economic Development, and Economic Development – these three goals should have consistent designations (that is, Community Economic Development should not be Relevant, or the other two should be).
- Cultural Diversity – change from blank to Relevant, and ensure that this remains consistent with the Racial and Ethnic diversity goal.
- Education Funding – ensure that this remains consistent with the Access to Education goal.
- Environmental Justice – change from blank to Relevant.
- Environmental Protection – change from Relevant to Central.
- Existing Transportation – change from blank to Relevant or Central (2 comments recommending this).

- Farmland Preservation – change from Central to Relevant.
- Freight Transportation – change from blank to Relevant (2 comments recommending this).
- Historic Preservation – change from Central to Relevant.
- Infrastructure – change from Relevant to Central.
- Intergovernmental Cooperation – change from Relevant to Central, and ensure that this remains consistent with the Planning goal.
- Jobs and Housing – change from Central to Relevant (another comment reinforced keeping it as Central).
- Jobs – change from blank to Relevant.
- Lake Michigan – change from Relevant to Central.
- Livable Communities – change from Relevant to Central (2 comments recommending this).
- Open Space – change from Central to Relevant.
- Planning – ensure that this remains consistent with the Intergovernmental Cooperation goal.
- Public Safety and Security – change from blank to Relevant.
- Racial and Ethnic Diversity – ensure that this remains consistent with the Cultural Diversity goal.
- Recreation – change from Central to Relevant. (2 comments recommending this)
- Seniors – change from blank to Relevant. Another comment suggested ensuring that this remains consistent with the Youth goal.
- Stormwater – change from Relevant to Central. (2 comments recommending this)
- Taxation – change from blank to Relevant.
- Water Quality – change from Relevant to Central.
- Water Supply – change from Relevant to Central. (2 comments recommending this)
- Youth – ensure that this remains consistent with the Seniors goal.

The committee will be asked to discuss the goal classifications and reach consensus on an initial classification for each goal at the April 19 meeting.