

Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Evaluation, Part 2

CMAP Working Committees, July 2014

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Introduction

CMAP working committee meetings during summer and early fall 2014 will include discussions of the progress of the LTA program, and future directions for the program

Schedule:

- Basic program statistics – June/July (complete)
- Results of external surveys – June/July (complete)
- Review of new applications – July/August
- Implementation progress – July/August
- Results of internal evaluation – August/September
- Results of municipal survey – August/September

GO TO 2040 recommendations

Livable Communities

1. Land Use and Housing
2. Water and Energy
Conservation
3. Parks and Open Space
4. Local Food

Human Capital

5. Education and Workforce
Development
6. Economic Innovation

Efficient Governance

7. Tax Policy
8. Access to Information
9. Coordinated Investments

Regional Mobility

10. Transportation Investments
-- major capital projects
11. Public Transit
12. Freight

Key elements of GO TO 2040 recommendations

1. Land Use and Housing: infill; housing choice; mixed-use context-sensitive development; dense, transit-supportive development; multi-municipal collaboration
2. Water and Energy Conservation: water support; stormwater; energy
3. Parks and Open Space: parks; preserves; greenways
4. Local Food: production; access
5. Education and Workforce Development
6. Economic Innovation
7. Tax Policy
8. Access to Information
9. Coordinated Investments: service sharing; intergovernmental coordination
10. Transportation Investments: maintenance and modernization; bicycle and pedestrian; parking; major capital projects
11. Public Transit: transit service; supportive infrastructure
12. Freight: cargo-oriented development; truck routes
13. Other

Alignment with GO TO 2040: sample projects

GO TO 2040 theme	GO TO 2040 recommendation	Key component of recommendation (if applicable)	Joliet Correctional Center redevelopment study	Park Forest sustainability plan
Livable Communities	Land Use and Housing	Infill and Reinvestment	high	high
		Housing Choice	moderate	moderate
		Mixed-use, Context-sensitive Development	moderate	moderate
		Dense, Transit-supportive Development		high
		Multi-municipal Collaboration		
	Water and Energy	Water Supply		moderate
		Stormwater		moderate
		Energy		high
	Open Space	Parks	high	
		Preserves	high	moderate
		Greenways	moderate	moderate
		Conservation Design		
	Local Food	Production	moderate	moderate
		Access		moderate

Alignment with GO TO 2040: overall program

GO TO 2040 theme	GO TO 2040 recommendation	Key component of recommendation (if applicable)	# of LTA plans that address this recommendation at a high level	# of LTA plans that address this recommendation at a moderate level
Livable Communities	Land Use and Housing	Infill and Reinvestment	23	16
		Housing Choice	13	21
		Mixed-use, Context-sensitive Development	22	18
		Dense, Transit-supportive Development	10	26
		Multi-municipal Collaboration	11	22
	Water and Energy	Water Supply	12	7
		Stormwater	13	12
		Energy	4	14
	Open Space	Parks	6	17
		Preserves	8	7
		Greenways	9	22
		Conservation Design	6	3
	Local Food	Production	6	7
		Access	3	13

Alignment with GO TO 2040: most common elements

Addressed at a high level

- Infill and reinvestment (23)
- Mixed-use, context-sensitive development (22)
- Bicycle and pedestrian (19)
- Intergovernmental coordination (14)
- Housing choice (13)
- Stormwater (13)
- Water supply (12)
- Multi-municipal collaboration (11)

Addressed at a moderate level

- Intergovernmental coordination (38)
- Maintenance and modernization (33)
- Bicycle and pedestrian (27)
- Transit-supportive infrastructure (27)
- Dense, transit-supportive development (26)
- Multi-municipal collaboration (22)
- Greenways (22)
- Housing choice (21)

Alignment with GO TO 2040: least common elements

Livable Communities

- Conservation design (6 high, 3 moderate)

Human Capital

- Education and workforce development (1 high, 15 moderate)
- Economic innovation (2 high, 7 moderate)

Efficient Governance

- Access to information (3 high, 7 moderate)
- Service sharing (0 high, 5 moderate)

Regional Mobility

- Major capital projects (1 high, 5 moderate)
- Cargo-oriented development (1 high, 2 moderate)
- Truck routes (3 high, 5 moderate)

Implementation of LTA projects: Joliet



Implementation led by Collins Street Task Force, a multijurisdictional group led by legislators

Interest in acquisition of key open space site by Will County FPD; environmental testing underway

Roadway realignment completed in 2013

Implementation of LTA projects: Park Forest

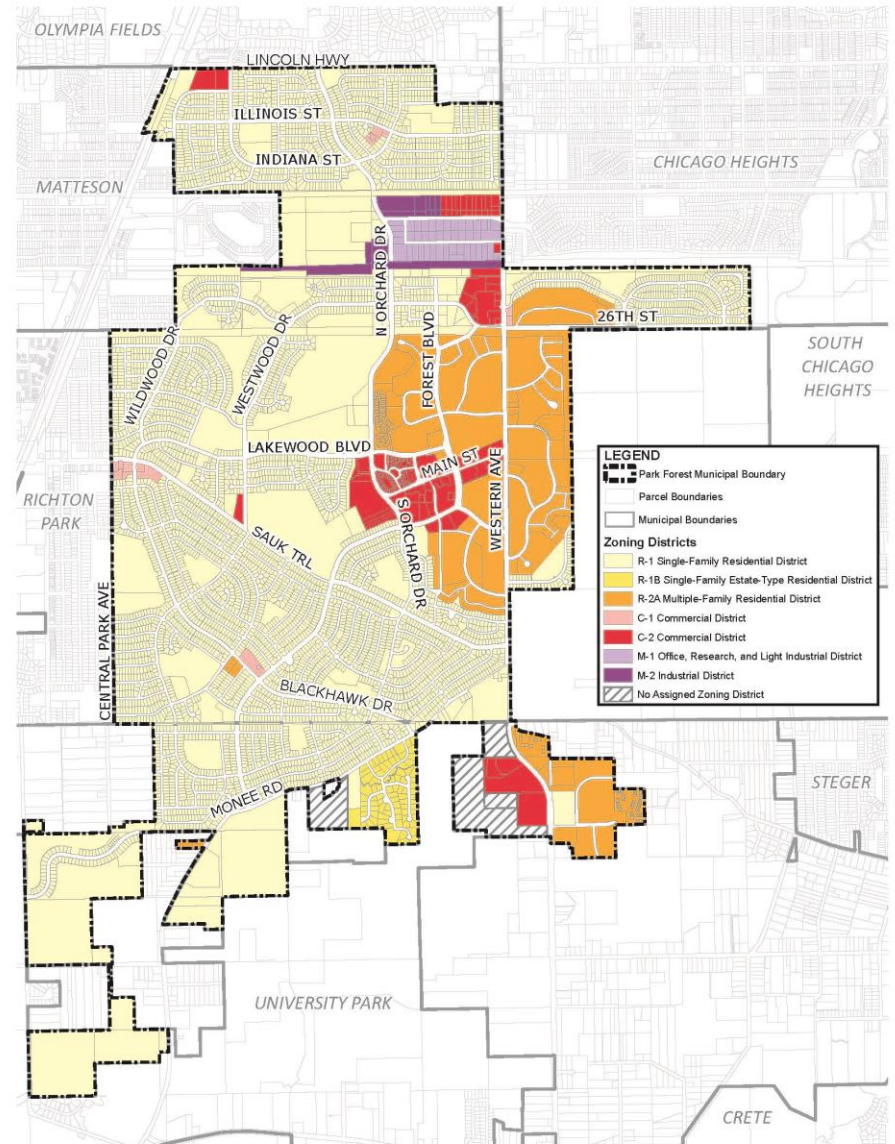


Sustainability coordinator hired with funding from Chicago Community Trust

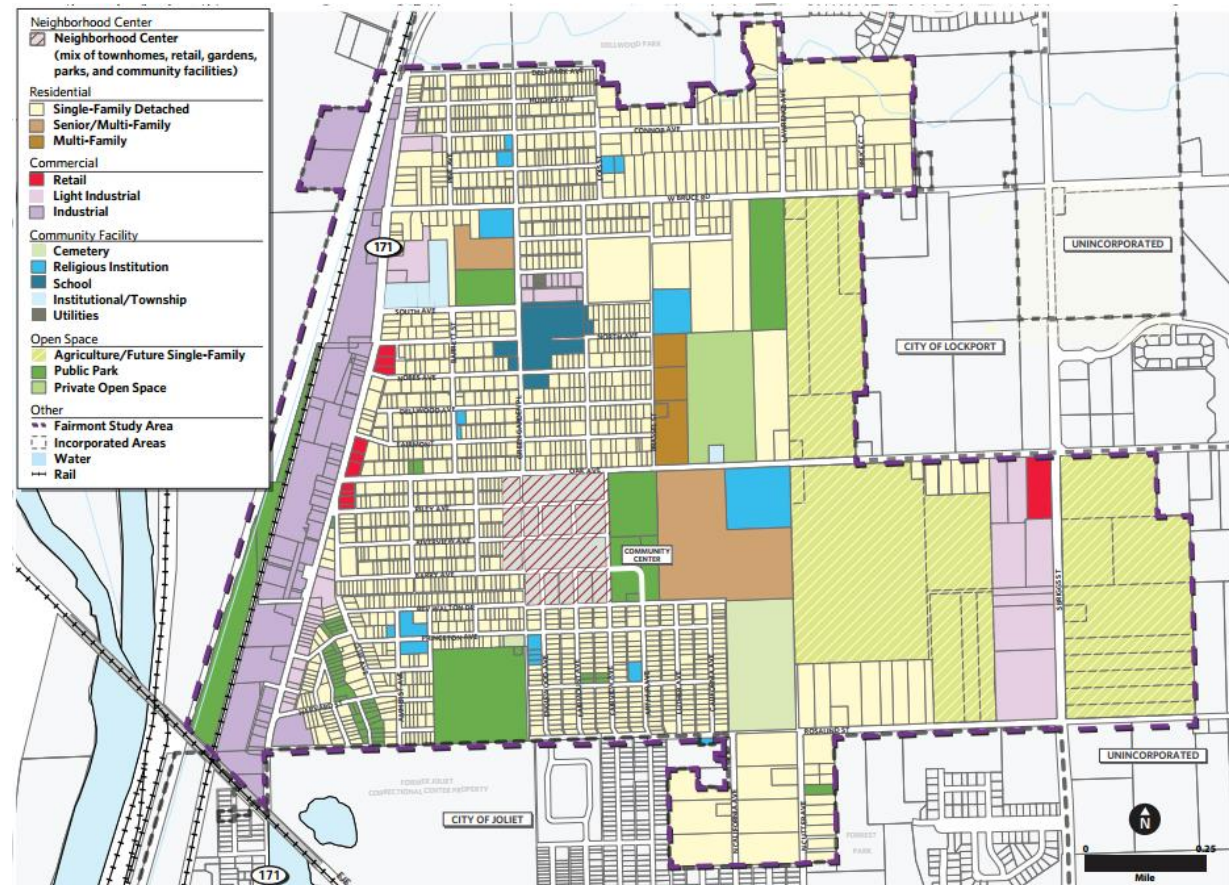
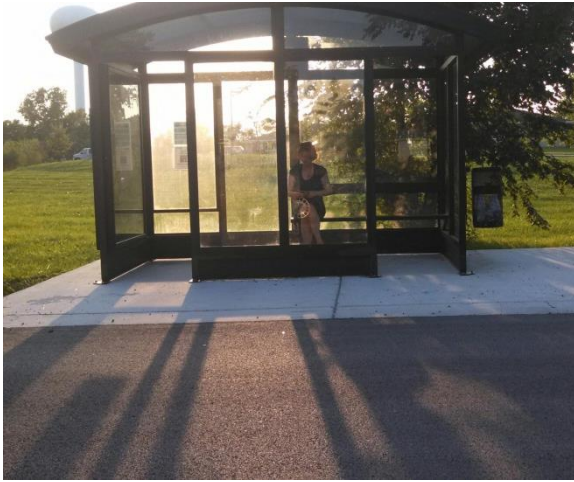
Environmentally-focused changes to municipal policies and procedures

Several new community gardens

Zoning update and bicycle-pedestrian planning underway



Implementation of LTA projects: Fairmont



Infrastructure improvements: sidewalk, bus shelters, drainage improvements

New community garden

Creation of Fairmont Community Partnership

Implementation tracking

Tracking and regular follow-up on implementation occurs with most completed staff-led projects

On quarterly basis:

- Follow-up discussions with project sponsors about recent progress and upcoming activities
- Updates to implementation matrix
- Identification of any immediate actions for CMAP to take
- Brief written update for Board and committees

Implementation roles

Local sponsor:

- Most implementation actions need to be led or initiated by local sponsor – limited action can be taken without their leadership

CMAP:

- Follow-up LTA projects (e.g. zoning); grant applications; facilitating contact with other agencies; trainings; other general advice

External groups:

- Varies considerably by project – can include funding for infrastructure or staffing; technical assistance; leadership of certain plan elements; many others
- Nearly every significant implementation action has involved an external partner

Conclusions

Alignment with GO TO 2040

- Focus of LTA on land use and transportation is appropriate, given its funding – but freight should be further emphasized

Implementation of LTA plans

- Involvement of partner organizations in implementation is necessary – and should become more organized and systematic
- Plans should be developed with implementation in mind (e.g. involve potential implementers on the steering committee; align infrastructure recommendations with funding)
- Committing to implementation takes resources, and the tradeoff between accepting new projects vs. implementing older ones should be confronted
- Local commitment is primary driver of project success

New LTA applications

104 applications received – compared to 67 in 2013 and 109 in 2012
Applications are described and links to full applications are provided
in separate memo

Timeline:

- Present to working committees in July-August
- Separate meetings with counties, transit agencies, City of Chicago, and technical assistance providers in July-August
- Comments from committees and other stakeholders due by **August 22**
- Initial recommendations prepared by mid-September
- Presented for approval in October

Next steps

Continue discussions through August and September

Upcoming schedule:

- Results of internal evaluation – August/September
- Results of municipal survey – August/September
- Findings, conclusions, and recommendations – October