

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor & City Council
 From: John Olson, AICP
 Date: October 14, 2019
 Subject: Resolution to Appoint Sounding Board Members for the 5-year Update to the Comprehensive Plan.

ITEM DESCRIPTION

To appoint a sounding board for the 5-year update to the Comprehensive Plan.

BACKGROUND

Dunwoody’s 2035 Comprehensive Plan, adopted in 2010 and last updated in 2015, serves as the long-range planning document that sets a guide for land use, capital investment, and future development. The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) requires local governments in Georgia to create and update their long-range comprehensive plan every 5-years. Based on the last update that occurred in 2015, the city is required to update its Plan for 2020. As such, the City of Dunwoody, in partnership with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC), will kick off the 5-year update of the City’s 2035 Comprehensive Plan in the Fall of 2019.

Prior to beginning the update, the City must first appoint a sounding board, composed of city staff and residents. The expectation of the sounding board is to work with ARC to develop and fulfill a one-year schedule to work with City Council, residents, and various stakeholders to complete an update to the plan. As well, the sounding board will review draft materials, provide insight into public engagement, and serve as facilitators of the planning process. After conferring with ARC, City Council and city staff, the following community members are recommended for appointment:

Michael Starling, Economic Development Director	Ann Hanlon, PCID
Michael Smith, Public Works Director	Bob Dallas, Chairman of the Planning Commission
Richard McLeod, Community Development Director	Katie Williams, Dunwoody Convention and Visitors Bureau
Brent Walker, Parks Director	Terry Polk, Resident
Ardy Bastien, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals	

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that City Council appoint the recommended list of individuals to serve as sounding board members for the 5-year update.

**A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
FIVE YEAR UPDATE SOUNDING BOARD OF DUNWOODY**

WHEREAS, the City of Dunwoody is required to update its Local Comprehensive Plan according to the schedule set by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dunwoody has requested assistance from ARC to conduct a 5-year update to its Local Comprehensive Plan under the requirements set by the Minimum Requirements for Local Comprehensive Planning under the Georgia Planning Act (as amended); and

WHEREAS, the Project Team, in coordination with City staff, shall facilitate a public involvement plan that integrates stakeholder interviews, public workshop meetings, Sounding Board meetings, and public hearings developed to attain input from citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council shall appoint the members of the Sounding Board, each of whom are interested and invested in the community's well-being; and

WHEREAS, the members are charged with assisting the Project Team in promoting public input sessions, advising on public workshop exercises and plan development, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUNWOODY RESOLVE that the following persons are hereby appointed as members of the Sounding Board for the Comprehensive Plan Five Year Update:

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| 1. Ann Hanlon, PCID | 7. Richard McLeod,
Community Development
Director |
| 2. Michael Starling,
Economic Development
Director | 8. Brent Walker, Park and
Recreation Director |
| 3. Michael Smith, Public
Works Director | 9. Ardy Bastien, Zoning
Board of Appeals
Chairman |
| 4. Bob Dallas, Chairman of
the Planning Commission | |
| 5. Terry Polk, Resident | |
| 6. Katie Williams, Convention
and Visitors Bureau of
Dunwoody | |

STATE OF GEORGIA
CITY OF DUNWOODY

RESOLUTION 2019-XX-XX

SO RESOLVED AND EFFECTIVE, this 14th day of October, 2019.

Approved:

Attest:

Denny Shortal, Mayor

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk