

# Zoning Advisory Panel (ZAP) Workplan Process and Timeline\*

## ZAP Charges:

- Assist Staff with the drafting of regulations for the Urban Residential Mixed-Use Zone District (A high level of collaboration with the City is needed regards infrastructure planning); and
- Assist Staff with the drafting of regulations for the Suburban Residential Mixed-Use Zone District; and
- Suggest potential options to address the 3 Key Issues (Water, Roads, and Fire) in the Rural Residential Mixed-Use District, in lieu of the approved (but with implementation deferred) 10-acre minimum lot size / density.

## Stage 1: Baseline Information and Level-setting (January – Mid-May)

### Topics:

- Panel Kick-off and Introductions (1/27/21)
- Planning and Zoning – background, statutes, current status including the Growth Plan (2/10/21) (4/14/21)
- City-County Coordination – Helena and East Helena, Urban Growth Areas, Processes, Directions (2/24/21) (4/14/21)
- Transportation (5/26/21)
- Fire – WUI & Wildfire, Residential & Structure (4/28/21)
- Water and Wastewater (3/24/21, 6/9/21)
- **Floodplain and Stormwater (4/28/21)**
- Solicit and assess the addition of other topics (Ongoing)

## Stage 2: Identification and Cataloging of Community Concerns and Values (July and August)

A. STEEP Analysis – (Social, Technological, Economic, Environmental and Political) Technical and Environmental – (6/23/21 and 7/14/21)  
Economic (7/28/21 and 8/11/21)

B. Development of assessment criteria – using the technical information from Stage 1 and the outline of concerns and values form Stage 2A, develop a set of working criteria that will enable the ZAP to assess and consider proposal options.

## Stage 3: Identification and Assessment of Potential Zoning Proposals (Early September – Late October)

- Idea and Option Generation
- Option Content Development – Initiate proposals to a level where they can be assessed using the criteria from Stage 2B

- Step-wise assessment of options using the criteria
- Prioritization and selection of proposals that best align with the criteria
- Endorse and refer final recommendations to County staff for advancement to the City-County Planning Board and County Commission.

### **Additional Steps**

Public outreach and engagement

-Public Comment at each meeting

-In addition to ongoing communications, the ZAP will also solicit input and feedback from the public minimally at two stages:

1. 1) As the ZAP approaches the end of Stage 1 – solicit feedback about any other topics citizens and stakeholders have questions about.
2. 2) As the ZAP approaches the conclusion of stage 2B, seek feedback about any concerns among citizens and stakeholders that did not emerge as a part of the STEEP analysis.

\*Elements of the Workplan Process and Timeline are subject to change.

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