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TO: City of Hudson Planning Commission for
October 12, 2015 Planning Commission Meeting

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SUBJECT: Comprehensive Plan Update
Ordinance No. 15-124

PC Case No: 2015-24

Introduction

Planning Commission conducted its public hearing on the draft 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update (Plan) at its meeting of September 14, 2015. The Commission continued the public hearing to the September 28, 2015 meeting at which it heard a brief presentation from Project Manager Dan Gardner from the planning consulting firm of Houseal Lavigne Associates, accepted additional public comment, closed the public hearing, discussed the Plan and agreed to revisions it would recommend to Council. The Plan was continued to the next regular meeting of October 12, 2015 so that staff could draft a recommendation that included the recommended revisions for PC review and action. This draft is below in the Recommendation section. The recommendation also includes additional errors staff has discovered identified with an “*”.

Required PC Action, City Charter Section 9.03

Any recommendation for modification or amendment of the Comprehensive Plan shall receive public hearing by the Planning Commission and within six months following public hearing, recommendation shall be made by the Planning Commission to Council. Council shall hold a public hearing and take action to adopt, reject or modify the amendment of the Comprehensive Plan within six months of receipt of a recommendation from the Planning Commission.

Recommendation

After due consideration of input gathered from the citizens of Hudson through numerous public engagement methods, the Planning Commission recommends City Council accept the recommendations of the Downtown Re-development and Improvement Phase II Ad Hoc Committee and the Comprehensive Plan Update Steering Committee to adopt the Hudson Comprehensive Plan as presented to the Planning Commission at the September 28, 2015 meeting with the following revisions:

1. Remove Downtown Phase II Plan from the title so that the title is simply “Comprehensive Plan”
2. Page 21, 3rd column, add Aurora Street – Hudson Aurora Road and Ravenna St/Rd after “Route 91”
3. Page 23, last column, last bullet, revise to “Identify the highest and best use”
4. * Page 25, 5th column, revise “Single family attached units” to “Multi-family units” should mostly be located within or near Downtown Hudson.

5. Page 31, fourth column remove “regional trails, parks, or commercial areas”, and replace with “commercial areas specifically identified in this plan”
6. Page 31, 5th column, replace “building code” with “Land Development Code”
7. Page 33, 1st column, first column, first paragraph revise to add “...and expand the district and add landmark properties if appropriate”
8. Page 34, Re-designation of Route 8 to I-380 – add “relieve Hudson of maintenance responsibilities” at the end of the sentence
9. Page 35, 4th goal – revise “make a statement” to “demonstrate Hudson’s high standards”
10. Page 35, 11th goal, remove “such as Little Tykes and JoAnn Fabric and Craft Stores”
11. Page 35, 18th goal, same as #8 above.
12. Page 38, 2nd column, revise Terex Drive to Terex Road
13. Page 38, 2nd column, revise “hemmed in” to “surrounded”
14. Page 39, 5th column, revise I-380 text to be the same as #8 above.
15. Page 48, 2nd column, add “between Owen Brown Street and the Villas of Hudson” after “the realignment of Morse Road”
16. Page 51, 5th bullet, add “(excluding the realignment of Aurora Street, Main Street, and Clinton Street intersection)” at the end of the sentence
17. Page 51, 7th bullet, remove “the South Hayden-Ogilby connector”
18. Page 51, 12th bullet, revise I-380 text to be the same as #8 above
19. Page 52 and Page 53, change “principle arterial” to “principal arterial”
20. Page 59, 2nd goal, replace “thoroughly evaluate...constructing” with “Conduct a needs assessment for”
21. Page 59, remove the second to last bullet regarding watershed contamination
22. * Page 63, correct the location of the proposed trail south of Oak Grove Park to be in alignment with Duffield Drive
23. Page 63, many proposed trails are shown where sidewalks exist. Revise map and text to note: “Trails along streets within the existing neighborhoods should be developed as a traditional sidewalk for pedestrian use with on-road enhancements for bicycle use.”
24. Page 63, add a foot note indicating the two proposed trails on west side of Hudson that are not along a roadway are general representation such as “general vicinity of proposed trail”
25. Page 63, relocate the Leeway – Hudson Park Drive trail routing to Lascala – Herrick Park Drive.
26. Page 68, 1st column, revise “Fire and Emergency Medical Services” to “Fire, Emergency Medical Services (EMS)”
27. Page 68, 5th column Town Hall, revise “Department” to “Departments”
28. Page 69, 1st column, revise “currently” to “planned to be”
29. Page 69, 5th column, move the sentence “the site...Hudson Public Power” to the 6th column to replace the sentence “The comprehensive...salt dome.”
30. Page 70, 3rd column, revise “reposition” to “repurpose”
31. Page 70, 4th and 5th columns, revise the **Other Schools** section to: “**Hudson Montessori School** Hudson Montessori School (HMS) opened in 1962 in a one-room school house in downtown Hudson and now operates out of three buildings that have seen many expansions on a twelve acre property in north Hudson. It is the 13th oldest Montessori school in the nation. The school provides classes for 245 students from toddlers through 8th level students. The school has no immediate plans to expand, but might consider acquiring contiguous properties as they become available. HMS serves students from Hudson and over twenty surrounding communities. **Seton Catholic School** Seton was founded as a Catholic elementary school independent of any parish. Opening in 1997 to 83 students, the school presently has 430 students from 20 communities in kindergarten through eighth grade. It operates out of a large facility on a

nine acre campus in east central Hudson. The school has no immediate plans to expand following its recent addition of a 17,000 square foot family center.”

32. Page 70, 5th column, first paragraph, add language regarding HMS and SCS, similar to the preceding paragraph for WRA
33. Page 70, 6th column, delete “development patterns and”
34. Page 71 and 72, revise text for water, sanitary sewer, and electric maps in legend from “Current Cleveland Water Service Area” to “Area currently served by Cleveland Water” (typical for all service areas”
35. Page 71, correct the location of the Cleveland water lines on the water map to the Ashbrooke Subdivision.
36. Page 73, add Case Barlow Farm as an other facility, No. 30 on the map legend.
37. * Page 75, 1st column, revised “City of Council” to “City Council”
38. Page 76, 5th column, revise “current five year...(CIP)”, to “Capital Improvement summary in the five year plan”
39. Page 79, add text under “The Ohio Community Reinvestment Area Program” above the text under “Community Reinvestment Act (CRA)” and remove the “Ohio” heading
40. Pages 81-85, revision various recommendations in the implementation matrix to correspond to the above
41. * Page 81, LU&DP 4, delete one of the two “Hudson Chamber of Commerce” written under Potential Partners
42. Page 83, T&MP 17, change “Season” to “Seasons”
43. Page 84, POS&EFP 11, change “Parks Board” to “Park Board”
44. Page 84, POS&EFP 12, change “Historic” to “Historical”
45. Page 85, CF&SP 5, change “Fire and Police Stations” to “Safety Center and Police Station”