

MINUTES

**KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
(KIPDA)**

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

**KIPDA BURKE ROOM
11520 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY**

July 9, 2019

The Regional Planning Council of the Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency met at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at KIPDA, 11520 Commonwealth Drive, Louisville, Kentucky. Members in attendance were:

Mr. Ryan Libke, Chair, Triple S Planning Commission, Shelby County, Kentucky
Mr. Michael King, Louisville Metro, Jefferson County, Kentucky
Honorable John Riley, Judge/Executive, Spencer County, Kentucky
Mr. Keith Griffie, Chief Financial Officer, Bullitt County, Kentucky
Ms. Felicia Harper, representing Mr. Jerry Summers, Judge/Executive, Bullitt County, Kentucky

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

REPRESENTING

Jarrett Haley
Justin Carter
Rachael Miller
Randall Embry
Danielle Story
Olivia Ranseen
Diane Zimmerman
Larry Sloan

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Libke called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROLL CALL

Ms. Miller called roll. A quorum was present.

MINUTES FROM APRIL 9, 2019

Judge Riley moved to approve the minutes from April 9, 2019. Ms. Harper seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Ms. Danielle Story gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The CEDS document is federally required by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) because the KIPDA region is a designated economic development district. KIPDA obtained information by sending out surveys to individuals involved in KIPDA's various planning councils. The council members ranked priorities and identified issues within the region.

The CEDS document provides a summary background of the economic conditions of the region. The document also contains a S.W.O.T. Analysis which identifies the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats in the region. A Strategic Direction Action Plan and an evaluation framework are in the CEDS document as well.

The summary background of the economic conditions of the region breaks down the environment, economy, culture, etc. of the region. It also highlights the workforce information and educational opportunities within the region.

Some of the strengths identified in the S.W.O.T. Analysis were the schools, location, cost of living, and bourbon. Some identified weaknesses in the region are affordable housing, access to mass transit, sprawl, and an unskilled workforce. Regional opportunities included tourism, workforce development, and agriculture. Threats identified in the region were such things as aging infrastructure, affordable housing, and decrease in funding opportunities. Each threat was then ranked by priority. The strategies that are thought to be most beneficial to the economic development in the region were also identified.

The document also ranks the capital improvement priorities for the region. The top three priorities identified were road improvements, water and sewer, and public housing. The snapshot portion provides information for the region such as population

numbers, housing data, economic data, and educational opportunities. The largest industries in the region are listed and the percent change in jobs in the region from 2013 to 2018 is included. Commute time and how many people are employed in the region as a whole are also included. This information is broken down for each county as well.

It was required that the CEDS document contain the economic distress criteria for the region and highlighted by county. This data was provided through Stats America. According to the Stats America labor statistics data, Trimble County is considered the most economically distressed county in the region, followed by Henry County. This information will be maintained in the document going forward. Economic resiliency information is also included in the document and will be expanded upon this year.

The survey respondents identified strategic target sectors that they thought would add value to the community that should be focused on for economic development. From all the information received an action plan will be put together with five overall goals including economic development, workforce, transportation, water and wastewater infrastructure, and quality of life.

COUNTY QUARTERLY UPDATES

BULLITT COUNTY

Ms. Harper stated that things are busy but going well. The county's first planning study began one month ago.

SPENCER COUNTY

Judge Riley reported that the "outer" Outer Loop project seems to have been kicked into high priority. He stated that he has some concerns about the potential long-term effects of the project. The school start date has been pushed back because the new school construction has been delayed.

SHELBY COUNTY

Mr. Libke stated that the visitors center at Bulleit Bourbon is now open and there have been some new warehouse area permits approved. A new city center and pavilion is being planned for Shelbyville.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Mr. King reported that the county is still feeling the effects of the budget cuts but still trying to look forward to upcoming issues to be addressed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Story stated that the next Regional Planning Council meeting will be held on October 8, 2019 at 11:00am in the KIPDA Burke room.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to discuss.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Judge Riley moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Harper seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.