

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
January 23, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING

CASE NO. 19AREAPLAN0003

Request:	Adoption of Bowman Area Neighborhoods Plan
Project Name:	Bowman Area Neighborhoods Plan
Location:	Louisville Metro
Owner:	N/A
Applicant:	Louisville Metro
Representative:	Rundell Ernstberger Associates (consultant)
Jurisdiction:	Louisville Metro
Council District:	8 – Brandon Coan 9 – Bill Hollander 26 – Brent Ackerson

Case Manager: **Michael King, Planning Manager**

Notice of this public hearing appeared in The Courier-Journal,

The staff report prepared for this case was incorporated into the record. The Commissioners received this report in advance of the hearing, and this report was available to any interested party prior to the public hearing. (The staff report is part of the case file maintained in Planning and Design Services offices, 444 S. 5th Street.)

Agency Testimony:

00:10:26 Michael King presented the Bowman Neighborhood Plan and showed a Power Point presentation (see recording for detailed presentation.)

Tricia McClellan, the consultant for the project, presented and overview of the plan and continued with the Power Point presentation (see recording.)

00:20:58 Mr. King completed the presentation. He noted that minor updates to the plan have been made to emphasize Hawthorne Elementary and Farmington as community assets; also, a map has been added showing buildable vacant residential lots per land use and community form . This map can assist in looking at infill development (as opposed to new development) in the area.

The following spoke in support of this request:

Tricia McClellan, Rundell Ernstberger Associates, 815 W Market St, Louisville, KY 40202 (Consultant)

Councilperson Brandon Coan, 601 West Jefferson Street, Louisville, KY 40204

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Summary of testimony of those in support:

00:22:29 Councilperson Brandon Coan (District 8) spoke in support (see recording for detailed presentation.) He specifically discussed how the Louisville Regional Airport Authority (LRAA) had contributed and reached out to neighborhoods surrounding Bowman Field and how that has positively changed their relationships.

00:26:28 Commissioner Mims asked about land uses on the airport's property. Mr. King said that was also looked at during the plan process and discussed that in more detail.

00:27:07 Commissioner Mims also asked if noise abatement had been studied or addressed. Mr. King said that, ultimately, these matters can only be addressed and/or decided by the FAA due to safety and flight pattern issues.

00:28:09 Commissioner Tomes asked if the airport usage was trending up, down, or remaining steady. Mr. King said "a little bit downward". Ms. McClellan said the airport has stated that they intend to keep the level of use as it is now. Mr. King added that LRAA owns the land.

The following spoke in opposition to this request:

No one spoke.

00:29:26 Commissioners' deliberation

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Neighborhood Plan AND Executive Summary

00:33:06 On a motion by Commissioner Howard, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, the following resolution, based on the Staff Plan 2040 checklist and evidence and testimony heard today, was adopted:

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WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Planning Commission finds that the Bowman Area Neighborhoods Plan meets the intents of Community Form Goal 1 because the proposed recommendations guide the form and design of development to be responsive to the distinctive physical, historic and cultural qualities of the Bowman area; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Community Form Goal 2 because the proposed recommendations encourage sustainable growth and density around corridors; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Community Form Goal 3 because the proposed recommendations enhance the Bowman area by protecting and integrating open space, watersheds and other natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Community Form Goal 4 because the proposed recommendations promote the historic resources that contribute to the Bowman area's authenticity; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Mobility Goal 1 because the proposed recommendations promote an accessible system of alternative transportation modes; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Mobility Goal 2 because the proposed recommendations promote a safe, accessible and efficient transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Mobility Goal 3 because the proposed recommendations encourage land use and transportation patterns that connect the Bowman area and support future growth; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Community Facilities Goal 1 because the proposed recommendations ensure community facilities are accessible; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Community Facilities Goal 2 because the proposed recommendations support community facilities to improve quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Economic Development Goal 1 because the proposed recommendations support an

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economic climate that improves growth, innovation, investment and opportunity for existing and future residents; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Livability Goal 1 because the proposed recommendations encourage the protection and enhancement of the natural environment and integration with the built environment as development occurs; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Livability Goal 2 because the proposed recommendations promote equitable health and safety outcomes for all; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Livability Goal 3 because the proposed recommendations promote equitable access to land use planning and policy-making resources; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that the proposal meets the intents of Housing Goal 2 because the proposed recommendations support the development of a connected, mixed-use Bowman area; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Louisville Metro Planning Commission does hereby **RECOMMEND** to the Louisville Metro Council that the proposed Bowman Area Neighborhoods Plan be **APPROVED**; and that the Bowman Area Neighborhoods Plan Executive Summary be adopted as Amendment to Plan 2040.

The vote was as follows:

YES: Commissioners Tomes, Howard, Peterson, Brown, Daniels, Carlson, Mims, Lewis, and Jarboe.