

Planning Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 2/14/23

From: Josh White, Principal Planner

Item: Comprehensive Plan Recommendation

Purpose: Consider a recommendation on the proposed 2022 Comprehensive Plan updates

Background:

At the January meeting a public hearing was held regarding the 2022 Comprehensive Plan. At the hearing, a number of citizens spoke and raised a few additional action items. Staff reviewed the meeting recording and determined that two new actions should be added to the Plan. One such item involved Chapter 3 Housing which suggests that the City should consider developing housing plans for specific areas to target. Another topic discussed at the hearing was the library. The library isn't specifically discussed in the plan except in Chapter 2. Considering most of the issues involve the building being a historic structure an action was added to Chapter 5 under the historical resources goal. The action suggested was to develop a facility plan for the library to identify the best course of action.

At this meeting, the public hearing could be reopened for additional public input if the Planning Commission desires. At the close of the hearing, staff recommends approval of the plan and the direction would be for the Planning Commission to make a motion to recommend the City Commission approve the Plan. Upon such a vote, staff will prepare to present the Plan to the City Commission at a study session in the near future will eventual adoption likely sometime in March or possibly April.

If further discussion is needed on the Plan, staff suggests calling a special meeting as the March 14 meeting already has a full agenda.

Action:

Hear staff report, hold public hearing, make a motion to recommend approval/disapproval of the 2022 Comprehensive Plan to the City Commission.

Attachments:

Executive Summary, Chapter 3 & 5, the full draft 2022 Comprehensive Plan is available by visiting https://www.arkcity.org/neighborhood-services/page/2022-comprehensive-plan-update