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James Zsenyuk, Chair Lake Orion Planning Commission Village of Lake Orion 21 E. Church St. Lake Orion, MI 48362

Subject: Status Update and Review – 2025 Strategic Action Plan for Implementation

Dear Chair and Commissioners:

We are pleased to provide Draft #2 of the 2025 Strategic Action Plan Amendment for Implementation (Master Plan Amendment #3) incorporating your feedback received so far for further discussion. In 2024, we were authorized to initiate this amendment as a revision and restatement of Goals and Objectives and to develop an Implementation Matrix of Action Items. The project consists of three phases:

Phase I: Analyze and Synthesize. We will use public engagement data and recommendations from the most recent Master Plan amendment and other adopted Village plans, including the Downtown Development Authority's TIF and Development Plan, to develop a matrix of action items for consideration.

Phase II: Critical Feedback. Once we have completed a draft of the action plan, we will circulate the report to all Village Departments, Boards, Commissions, staff, and the public for review. The public will have the opportunity to provide feedback through an online and paper survey and we will work closely with Village staff to incorporate revisions based on feedback received.

Phase III: Adoption. As an amendment to the Village's Master Plan, the Strategic Action Plan must go through the appropriate channels of intent, distribution, noticing, public review, public hearing, and adoption. We will shepherd the Strategic Action Plan through this process, in compliance with State of Michigan Public Act 33 of 2008.

We are in the middle of Phase II and are looking forward to your feedback at your March 3 meeting to continue refining the Action Plan. A chart of remaining tasks to complete the project is on the following page.

Should you have any questions during this process, do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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REMAINING TASKS

TASKS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
0. Project Kickoff w/ MCKA Team						
1. Notice of Intent to Plan						
2. Analysis of Ex. Plans and Data						
3. Prepare Draft Matrix						
4. PC Review of Draft #1 & Provide Feedback	20	3				
5. Public Survey		18	<i>→</i>	4		
6. Revisions		\rightarrow	<i>→</i>			
7. PC Review of Draft #2 / Send to Council				7		
8. VC Review & Approve Draft Dist. (42 Days)				14 (16)	(27)	
9. PC Public Hearing Notice (Due / Publication)					(8 / 14)	
10. PC Meeting, Public Hearing & Approval						
11. VC Review and Adoption						

NEXT STEPS

Although the survey is officially closed, the project webpage will remain active through adoption. There will be an open comment feature on the webpage during the public review period to collect additional feedback. We recommend that the Planning Commission make a recommendation to Village Council to approve the distribution of the draft Plan for the required 42-day public review period.

It would also be appropriate to direct McKenna and Village staff to prepare for the required public hearing at the June 2 Planning Commission meeting, provided the draft Plan is approved for distribution at the April 14 Council meeting. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission will review all public comments and consider recommending approval of the Final Draft to the Village Council.