

WASHTENAW COUNTY

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING

To: Manchester Community Joint Planning Commission
From: Melissa Milton-Pung
Re: February Meeting Packet
Date: February 9, 2009

Dear Members of the MCJPC:

I apologize for the lateness of this board packet posting. It has, indeed, been a busy month!

In this packet, please find:

1. Agenda for the February 11 Meeting
2. Minutes of the January 14 Meeting
3. Industrial Chapter (revised draft)
4. Residential Chapter (revised draft)
5. Staff memo on the selection of a 9th JPC Member
6. Memo received January 14 from Freedom Township, on the Agriculture Chapter, and staff response
7. Memo received January 28 from Freedom Township, on the Commercial Chapter, and staff response

Per the mid-January board packet, you should have already received the final Natural Features and Community Facilities chapters, and placed those chapters in your binders. You should also have already received the revised Agriculture and Commercial chapters. Again, it is understood that some chapters still contain parking lot issues, which we will likely begin to revisit during the March meeting.

As you will recall from last month's meeting, the matter of a 9th JPC Member appointment is still under debate by the MCJPC. During the meeting, staff handed out a selection of options which may be considered. Subsequent conversations with Jesse O'Jack have further enhanced our expanded staff memo to the MCJPC on this topic.

As mentioned in our mid-January board packet, during the January 14 meeting Washtenaw County planners received a lengthy written commentary on the Agriculture chapter from Freedom Township planning consultants Donald Pennington and William DeGroot. Additional comments, focused on the Commercial chapter, were also received on January 28. This board packet contains a full copy of both sets of comments from Pennington and DeGroot (on behalf of the Freedom Township Planning Commission), along with staff recommendations.

Thanks for your attention and continued fortitude as we continue to move forward with this Joint Plan. If there are any questions, you may contact me at miltonpungm@ewashtenaw.org or (734)222-6878.