

**Pulaski County
Community Development Commission
Strategic Visioning Committee**

Tuesday, 2 November 2021
Winamac Municipal Utilities Complex
Winamac, Indiana

Meeting Notes

Tuesday, 26 October 2021
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Members present: President/Committee Chair Sheila Jimenez (Winamac); County Commissioner Maurice Loehmer, *County Councilor Kathleen Thompson*. Executive Director Nathan P. Origer.

Members absent: Membership Officer Kelsie Zellers [personal], Bill Champion [business], Lynn Johns (Francesville) [business].

Guests present: None.

Call to Order

President Jimenez called the meeting to order at 5:33 *p.m.* The director noted a lack of quorum.

Approval of Minutes

With no quorum present, the minutes were not approved.

2021 Strategic Plan update

2021 plan update — Non-KAS/introductory documents: Councilor Thompson suggested including more white space on some of the pages, but, otherwise, the members present approved of these pages of the complete plan.

2021 plan update — institutional/partner-organization and public input/Director's updates to KAS: Director Origer reviewed the summaries of input from partner organizations, outside advisors, and the general public and then addressed his proposed updates to the previously adopted first draft of the Key Action Steps section of the plan. Members approved of the proposed changes, provided guidance about how to work an enhanced focus on agriculture into the plan after Commissioner Loehmer had provided insights in response to a query from Councilor Thompson, and asked the director to provide further information on the 1 Million Cups entrepreneurial-engagement program before signing off on its inclusion in the 'Entrepreneurial Development' Key Action Step.

2021 plan update — formatting and layout: Members raised no concerns about the documents clean, simple layout.

2021 plan update — recommendation to the full Commission: With no quorum present, the Committee could not make a formal recommendation. The director agreed to implement agreed-upon tweaks and then to send the updated draft out for last-minute additions and corrections; the Committee would meet in a brief final meeting on 2 November to approve the final document prior to that evening's full-Commission meeting.

Updated executive-director evaluation form: Because the Executive Board would be approving an updated version of the evaluation rubric as a result of the decision to remove the 'Metrics' Key Action Step from the strategic plan, the director asked the Committee to review the draft update; the members endorsed it, agreeing that it provides a much more substantial emphasis on outcomes and the effectiveness of the director and staff.

Future of the Committee

Terms of service: Members did not agree on specifics regarding terms, but felt that the Strategic Visioning Committee should continue to operate; discussion ensued regarding the specific role in overseeing the implementation of the plan that the Committee would have relative to the responsibilities of the full Commission.

Meeting schedule: Members supported the alternate calendar proposed for 2022, which includes regularly scheduled, quarterly Committee meetings and fewer full-Commission meetings. A final decision would be made by the full Commission in November.

Adjournment

By consensus 6:41 *p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan P. Origer,
Executive Director/Recording Secretary