

Notes - Visioning Session: 30th & Muhammad Ali

Monday, Sept 12, 2016; 5:00 - 7:30 pm

Louisville Urban League (1535 W. Broadway, Louisville, KY 40203)

Hosted by West Louisville Community Council, Louisville Urban League, & Federal Reserve Bank

Approximately 120 participants.

Agenda

Facilitators:

Rev. Rene' Brown, West Louisville at Large Representative
Yureka Lancaster, Russell Neighborhood Representative

5:00-6:00 Dinner - sponsored by Federal Reserve Bank
Catering by Sweet Peaches, 1800 W. Muhammad Ali, Louisville, KY 40203

6:00 - 6:15 Welcome
Meeting called to order by Rev. Rene' Brown & Yureka Lancaster. Sadiqa Reynolds, Executive Director - Louisville Urban League, welcomed participants and mentioned local job opportunities.

6:15 - 6:30 Determining Community Priorities for Projects
Rev. Rene' explained the Six Guiding Principles of Responsible Development identified by the council over the past 2 years. Asked participants to give feedback through a paper or online survey (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/M2BTVR7>). Also reviewed how previous development projects proposed to address the Six Guiding Principles. Survey will be available until Sept 30th, 2016.

6:30 - 7:00 Small Group Idea Sharing
Participants broke into 15 small groups of 8 -10 participants. While thinking about the Six Guiding Principles participants were asked to discuss and write ideas on post-it notes for projects wanted in West Louisville and those that were definitely unwanted. Hundreds of ideas were posted and shared. Most frequently wanted projects were a multi-sport complex, light industry, & technology complex. Most frequently unwanted projects were liquor stores, fast food restaurants, & dollar stores.

7:00 - 7:20 Small Group Report Out
Nicki Jackson, Regional Executive - Louisville Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, explained her organization's support of the WLCC and the community discussion on responsible development. Each group selected a group representative to share with the entire community their most important ideas. Each group was given 2 minutes to report on their discussion.

7:20 - 7:30 Next Steps and Q & A
Ramona Lindsey explained that the next steps were to hold work group meetings for 3 areas: Governance Structure; Redevelopment Process; Marketing & Communication. The ideas generated during the evening will become a part of a document to be presented to Louisville Metro Government outlining the desires of West Louisville residents for responsible development projects. Questions were raised about the cancellation of the FoodPort Project. Ms. Lindsey stated she would send out information from the Aug 29th, 2016 meeting which addressed the question. Participants were asked to sign-up to become a member of a work group. Meeting adjourned at 7:30.