

# NOTES

## Lindon City General Plan Update Joint Committee/Leadership Meeting #1

April 28, 2022, 6:00 pm, Lindon City Offices



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### IN ATTENDANCE:

Michael Florence	Lindon City Community & Economic Development Director
Mary Barnes	Lindon City Planner
Mark Vlasic	Landmark Design
Survier Castillo	Landmark Design
Lisa Benson	Landmark Design
Lisa Anderson	Citizen
Caralee Bailey	Citizen
Karen Danielson	Citizen
Jack Young	Citizen
Randi Powell	Council
Steven Johnson	Planning Comm.
Rob Kallas	Planning Comm.
Dale Keep	Planning Comm.
Cole Hooley	Citizen
Renee Tribe	Commissioner/Planning Comm.
Adam Cowie	City Administrator
Carolyn Lundberg	Mayor
Van Broderick	Council
Sharon Call	Planning Comm.
Daril Magleby	Lindon Council
Jared Schauers	Planning Comm.
Steven Stewart	Adv. Comm. Member

### SUMMARY:

The meeting began with introductions, a discussion of the project/general plan purpose and a review of the project scope of work and schedule.

A Visual Preference Survey was conducted, followed by a scoping session. Results of the Visual Preference Survey will be distributed and posted to the project website as soon as they are available. A summary of the scoping discussion follows.

### **Describe Lindon in one word:**

- Classy
- Country
- Tradition
- Home
- Open Space
- Inconspicuous
- Safe
- Tranquil
- Prosperous
- Peaceful
- Serene
- Neighborly
- Friendly
- Community
- Welcoming
- Diverse Landscape
- Harmony
- Convenient
- Tech
- Smart (Decisions)

### **Vision for Lindon over the next 20 years:**

- Are we still “country”? Can we hold onto this and accommodate all of the housing we need to?
- Maybe not agricultural necessarily, but “Mayberry”.
- Same but improved.
- Projected to grow from 12,000 to over 17,000 by buildout. Do see how we can keep the same rural uses.
- Density is less dense here because of our values.
- What sacrifices are we willing to make?
- Lindon has a reputation for being classy – want to maintain it. Upscale. No low quality high density housing. “A little cut above”.
- Close places for our kids are nearby.
- Not sure we can hold on to LBOC with large yards and animal rights. How could that be feasible?
- Need to meet state mandates.
- True to small town roots. Intentional. Architectural standards, open space, trails, etc.
- Change a little but retain identity.
- Classic – longevity – design standards.
- One foot in history, one in prophecy.
- Same with modernization – classed it up out west.
- Large houses and super high density images in Visual Preference Survey both felt negative – didn’t like either extreme.

### **Hot Spots/Hot Button Issues/General Ideas**

- Second to Alpine in classiness – some old roads in our community are ugly, some homes – roads and sidewalks need improvement. Invest where we can.
- Don’t become like Orem with rundown neighborhoods.
- Don’t have a downtown. Planned for 700 North.
- Differing opinions on so many issues – almost every issue. Find common ideological ideals like water, roads, tax base, etc.
- “Planning for the future without a sense of history is like planting cut flowers.”

- Prestigious address – more attainable than Alpine and friendlier.
- Shared quote comparing lack of planning with growth coming being to planting with cut flowers.
- How do we preserve the family aspect, especially housing? Don't isolate housing types – we allow overlay for multifamily/middle housing and accommodate more socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Had ADUs before it became state law.
- Alpine School District is seeing a slight decrease in students.
- Lindon is great, but we're sending mixed messages. We are aging out and it's hard for young families/young professional to buy homes after older people move or pass away. Land has gone up to as much as \$550,000 recently just for an empty lot in the City.
- Most of us started as renters and we turned out okay. It feels to me like 10 units per acre isn't high density. Density is relative.
- Challenge – how to integrate ideals into the reality of growth in the County. With the BRT coming and growth all around, Lindon becomes a choke point between the mountains and the lake. There will be a lot of traffic moving through our City as communities around us grow. Don't want to be overwhelmed.
- Utah Lake development – talk of bridge connection into Lindon.
- Trees – encourage more trees in conjunction with waterwise landscaping. Continue focus on Tree City.

## **NEXT STEPS**

- The website with public engagement tools will be updated with committee information and will be advertised to the public soon. The planning team is asking the committee and leadership to get onto the website and start commenting and using the tools to not only provide their feedback, but to demonstrate how the tools can be used.
- The next General Plan Committee meeting is scheduled for May. A doodle poll will be sent out soon to set a date for that.
- Focus Group interviews
- Review existing plans / documentation and research / analysis
- Concept Development