Funding and Implementation Committee Meeting

Discussion items:

- Discussion began with an overview of the other Committee’s topics and areas where funding will/may be needed. Primary discussion for this meeting again focused on Transportation Connectivity & Parks and Open Space as there is some overlap with these two committees.

  > Transportation and Connectivity

    - Several handouts shared with the group that have been prepared by the Transportation and Connectivity Committee.

    - Discussion about sidewalk locations within the City and possible need for additional connectivity.

    - Summary of topics being discussed by committee listed in the Funding Matrix.

  > Parks and Open Space

    - Additional discussion occurred on several of the ideas being evaluated by this committee as refinements to these have been made recently by the committee.

      - Splash Park @ Highland Park

      - High Ropes Course – Tower Park

      - Glamping (Glamorous Camping) on KY 8 along Ohio River

      - Potential new entrance to Highland Park from Highland Avenue using James Ave.

      - Riverfront Park Trails & Greenway Nodes.

      - Tower Park Bike Park
As the Exploration Phase of the Community Plan comes to conclusion, a second Public Meeting is now scheduled for Monday, June 25th to share with the Community ideas that have been refined by the other committees. Meeting will be held at the Mess Hall at 7:00 pm.

This group focused discussion all the projects/ideas being considered and felt it necessary to prioritize projects in some manner, since there won’t be a way to afford to do all projects. This prioritization needs to have several tiers which could include; immediate need projects, short term need projects and long term need projects. There also needs to be a ranking for projects that rank as a high need, but have a high cost and projects that rank as a high need, but have a low/lower cost.

The committee feels we need to seek the public’s feedback on the project list by requesting they be ranked. For the project list that will be displayed at the Public Meeting, which will be the Funding Matrix, suggestion on listing the projects by type of attribute (i.e. safety projects, projects that could bring money to community, walkable type projects, liveable projects, etc.)

For the next meeting, this committee will be discussing specific projects that have been identified by the Land Use and Zoning Committee, Utilities and City Owned Facilities, and Regional Partnerships & Collaboration Committees. We will also discuss and finalize what will be included on the Committee’s Board that will be displayed at the Public Meeting.

Next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 13 at 6:00 pm.