



CITY OF SHELBYVILLE, INDIANA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE Public Meeting #1 Summary

The first public meeting for the Shelbyville Comprehensive Plan update was held on May 4th, 2018. This was a 'Pop-Up' style public meeting which was conducted at the May First Friday event. The event was advertised on city social media outlets and was organized in a manner to allow for informal interaction with First Friday participants and other passers-by with city staff and the project planning team.

The booth was set up between 5:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. during which time an estimated 80-100 people stopped by to participate in planned feedback exercises and to discuss their thoughts and ideas for the future of Shelbyville with the project team. Participants ranged in age between young children to senior citizens.

In all, approximately 400 individual responses were received across 4 different feedback exercises. A summary of the response trends is included below, with photos of the actual response boards included at the end of the summary for further reference.

Feedback Station #1: What do you ENJOY MOST about Shelbyville today?

For this exercise, participants were asked to place post-it notes on a board indicating what they were most proud of in Shelbyville.

- Festivals and events like farmer's market, wine walk, taste of Shelby County, First Fridays
- Historic district/downtown square/community history
- Small town, community feel, home town atmosphere
- Good friends and neighbors
- Institutions such as Grover Museum, Strand Theater, local churches
- Bike trails/Greenways
- The Parks, athletic tournaments
- Local restaurants and shopping
- Family

Feedback Station #2: What are your DREAMS for Shelbyville in 20 years?

This exercise asked people to place comments on post-it notes indicating what their dreams are for the community over the next 20 years.





- More entertainment options, including restaurants and entertainment destinations
- More development on the westside of town
- Better roads
- Areas/activities/entertainment for kids and young adults
- Boosts to small businesses, buying locally
- Large national retailers
- More entertainment for children
- Better access to rehab facilities
- Better accessibility for people with mobility challenges (sidewalks, accessible buildings, parks)
- Getting more people who work here to live here, higher wage jobs, competitive with other communities.
- Improving the parks, dog park, skating rink, Japanese garden
- Better access to groceries, healthier food options
- More improvements downtown, attract more businesses & investment, improve buildings, improve walkability, identify alternative route for truck/semi traffic
- Skating rink
- Public transit service
- More trails, bicycle infrastructure
- Address drug abuse x2
- Greater feeling of inclusion, better access for people of all ages and abilities
- Better housing options, housing choices, more housing
- Community Center, indoor winter activities, more social clubs and activities.
- No empty strip malls/vacant buildings

Feedback Station #3: Visioning Exercise

For this exercise, participants were asked to place dots on a map of Shelbyville. They were asked to use a blue dot to indicate areas of the community you are most proud of, a red dot to indicate areas of the community you think need to change, and a yellow dot on the areas of the community with the most opportunity.

BLUE dot responses – Areas of the community people are most proud of

- Rolling Ridge near Rampart Street
- Trails
- Quiet
- Splash Pad
- River Trail
- Blue River Park
- Sunset Park
- Downtown
- Three Sisters





- Old Major hospital
- Evans St.

RED dot responses – Areas of the community people think need to change

- Roads
- Accessibility along Knightstown Road
- Cleanup area near S.R. 9 & Boggstown Rd.
- Perceived crime downtown
- Food desert St. Joseph St. & Miller St.
- Desire for welcoming signage along I-74
- Belaire shopping center
- Identify connectivity and accessibility option along Broadway Street

YELLOW dot responses - Areas of the community people think have the most opportunity

- I-74 North West near 200 W
- Development opportunity at I-74 and Fairland Road/ 400 N
- Businesses along North Michigan Rd.
- Businesses along S.R. 9 and Rampart Street
- Develop/Upgrade S.R. 44 and McKay Road
- Gateway to community at McKay Rd and Miller avenue
- Access to community gardens at S.R. 9 and Howard Street
- Downtown (Retail, accessibility for all, Small Businesses)
- A public garden on the old Major Hospital site
- Rehabilitation of commercial center at Miller Avenue and St. Joseph Street
- Belaire shopping center

Feedback Station #4: Potential Development Locations

This exercise asked people to place arrows on a board indicating where they thought different types of development are appropriate or needed within Shelbyville. The responses below are ranked in order based on the number of responses received (highest to lowest).

COMMERCIAL AND RETAIL USES

- North side of I-74 and SR 44– 6 responses
- Miller Avenue and St. Joseph 5 responses
- 9 and Morristown Rd 3 responses
- 9 and I-74 3 responses
- I-74 near 200 West 2 responses
- I-74 and Rampart (East side) 2 responses
- South side of I-74 and SR 44 2 responses
- Miller Street and St. Joseph 2 responses
- I-74 near Fairland Road/ 400 N near racetrack and casino





- Broadway and Michigan
- Washington St. Downtown
- Harrison and Broadway

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE USES

- West side Historic District

 5 responses
- Washington and Hale Road
- Michigan Road and Progress Parkway

INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING USES

- Michigan Road North West side of City
- St. Joseph and Miller St.

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING USES

- Public Square— 2 Responses
- Harrison and Washington Street
- Marketplace Boulevard
- SR 44 and Progress Parkway

Additional Comments on Post-its

- Mid-Higher Scale housing I-74 north near Fairland Road/400 N and SR 9 and Progress Parkway
- Meijer/Store Morristown Road
- Lowes/Menards Morris Ave north of I-74
- More Retail and Restaurants Along Lee Boulevard
- Steak N' Shake/ Kohl's Belaire
- Park across old hospital site
- Gas Station near 44 south by McKay Road





Public Meeting Board Photos:

Following are photos of some of the meeting participants and photos of the actual response boards from the event.



























