



Greater Hill District Master Plan

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

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Today

Time	Activity
6:00-6:05 p.m.	Welcome and introductions (5 min)
6:05-6:10 p.m.	EngagePGH Website Review (5 min)
6:10-7:05 p.m.	Infrastructure Gap Identification (55 min)
7:05-8:00 p.m.	Community Gap Identification (55 min)

Project Team

Name	Organization	Role on Project
President & CEO Marimba Milliones	Hill District Community Development Corporation	Co-Chair
Councilman Daniel Lavelle	Council District 6, City of Pittsburgh	Co-Chair
Ose Akinlotan	Department of City Planning, Strategic Planning	Project Manager, Community Action Team
Derek Dauphin	Department of City Planning, Strategic Planning	Supervising Planner, Development Action Team
Josiah Gilliam	Mayor's Office of Equity & CitiParks	Community Action Team
Dara Braitman	Department of Mobility and Infrastructure	Mobility Action Team

Project Team

Name	Organization	Role on Project
Breen Masciotra	Port Authority of Allegheny County	Mobility Action Team
Nick Fedorek	Urban Redevelopment Authority	Development Action Team
Kara Smith	Department of City Planning, Environmental Planning	Infrastructure Action Team
Megan Zeigler	Green Building Alliance	Infrastructure Action Team
Flore Marion	Department of City Planning, Sustainability & Resilience	Infrastructure Action Team
Sarah Yeager	Department of City Planning, Sustainability & Resilience	Infrastructure Action Team

Project Team

Economic Development and Urban Design Consultants

- Firms: ECONorthwest, Mithun, Inc; Ideas and Actions and Studio Sewde
- Urban Design Study, Economic Development Study, Centre-Heldman Site Activation Plan, Implementation Plan

Transportation Consultants

- Firms: Kittelson & Associates, NspireGreen, and Langan
- Curbside and Parking Management Strategy, Transportation Study, Transportation Demand Management
- **Parks Master Plan Consultants**
- Firms: Groundswell and Deep Dive Detroit

New Member Introductions

- Name
- Organization
- What does your organization and you personally hope to gain from this experience?
- What is your vision and goal for the Hill District?



Steering Committee Roles & Responsibilities

Role of the Steering Committee

The Steering Committee is an advisory body that will:

- Work with project staff to develop a series of products to guide the work of the Action Teams;
- Review the work of the Action Teams, help integrate work across teams, and identify resources to implement proposals; and
- Advise project staff on integrating resulting content into a plan, support its adoption, and commit to working towards its implementation following adoption.

Role of the Steering Committee

Committee members are expected to participate in good faith. The following rules of behavior apply to all members:

1. Prepare for and attend all meetings;
2. Participate fully and honestly, commenting constructively;
3. Treat fellow members with respect, particularly when there are differences of opinion;
4. Allow others to say what they believe is true without fear of reprisal; this is a safe space.

Role of the Steering Committee

5. Abide by the rule that only one person can talk at a time and avoid side conversations during meetings;
6. Consult with the groups you represent between Steering Committee meetings as requested by staff;
7. Only represent your organization's views when speaking with others about the planning process; and
8. Do not speak on behalf the Steering Committee or its members, and direct media requests seeking information about the Steering Committee to the Project Management Team.



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Gap Identification

GHDMP

Goals

- Building upon the African American cultural legacy;
- Creating family-friendly housing without displacement;
- Fostering economic empowerment and commercial development;
- Making the Hill District a green and well-designed community; and
- Mobility, Transportation, and Parking.

Neighborhood Plan Guide

The goals of the guide are to:

- Create consistent and high quality plans citywide;
- Improve communication about City-led neighborhood planning processes and what to expect from them;
- Clarify roles and responsibilities for all involved; and
- Align plans and outcomes with EcoDistricts, Sustainable Development Goals, and adopted City goals.

Read the guide:

<https://pittsburghpa.gov/dcp/neighborhood-planning-guide>

Neighborhood Plan Guide Chapters

1. Community This chapter focuses on the existing residents, employees, students, and visitors of the planning area with proposals for how they can be better served by the district.		3. Mobility This chapter focuses on how people get around and will typically include strategies for improving safety, reducing the negative impacts associated with traffic, and shifting trips to and from the planning area to more efficient and healthful modes of travel.	
<u>Required:</u> Community Programs and Livability Cultural Heritage and Preservation Public Art Public Safety Public Facilities and Services Public Health	<u>Optional:</u> Community Uses in the Right-of-Way Nuisance and Enforcement Issues Schools and related programs (Required if within the plan area)	<u>Required:</u> Transit Service and Stations Pedestrian Access, Safety, Circulation Accessibility Bicycle Infrastructure Traffic Safety Parking	<u>Optional:</u> Mobility as a Service (MaaS) Freight Operations
Key Agencies: Dept. of City Planning, Mayor's Office, Office of Equity, Dept. of Public Safety, Community Affairs, and Public Schools.		Key Agencies: Dept. of Mobility and Infrastructure, Port Authority of Allegheny County, and Pittsburgh Parking Authority.	
2. Development This chapter establishes the agenda for physical change to a district whether that be through new buildings, commercial corridors, residential areas, etc. Creating new affordable housing and commercial opportunities can be addressed in this chapter.		4. Infrastructure This chapter includes all the non-transportation systems that nourish and maintain a district including how stormwater is handled, needs for open spaces, the energy systems that serve all buildings, and how waste is reduced and reused. There are many opportunities for these projects to meet multiple objectives (e.g., open spaces that also manage stormwater).	
<u>Required:</u> Land Use Policy and Regulations Urban Sustainable Design Equitable Economic Development Housing	<u>Optional:</u> Commercial Corridors or Nodes Transit Oriented Development Brownfield Reuse and Remediation Schools Academic, Medical and Religious Institutions	<u>Required:</u> Stormwater Management Floodplain (<i>if applicable</i>) Open Space Energy System Planning Waste Management and Recycling Tree Canopy Habitat Restoration Digital Network	<u>Optional:</u> Urban Agriculture Air Water Use Systems Integration

Topics – March Meeting

Community

Focuses on existing residents, employees, students, and visitors to the planning area with proposals for how they can be better served by the district.

Example Topics: Community Programs and Livability, Cultural Heritage and Preservation, Public Art, Public Safety, Public Facilities and Services, Public Health.

Infrastructure

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Example Topics: Stormwater Management, Open Space, Energy Systems, Waste Management and Recycling, Tree Canopy, Habitat Restoration, Digital Network.

Our Next Meeting

- April 26th, 6-8PM
- Focus: Public Engagement Plan
 - A Public Engagement Plan is a living document that establishes the approach to engagement for a project, sets expectations with the public for engagements, and hosts records of all engagements throughout the course of a project.
 - A requirement of all long-range projects established by the Public Engagement Guide.

Q&A and Other Business

- Any questions?

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