

Neighborhood Planning in Columbus

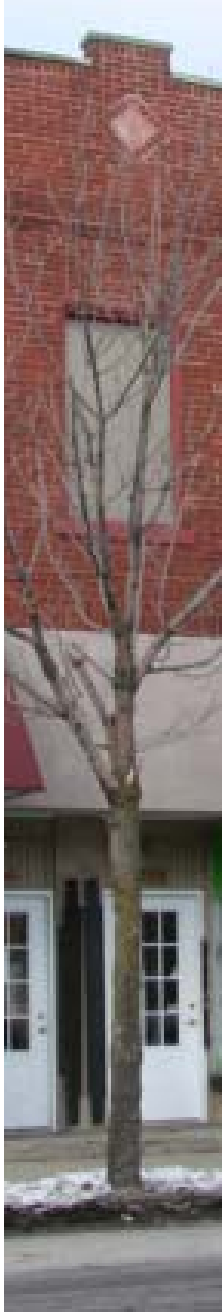
Greater Hilltop Plan Amendment: Urban Design & Land Use

Public Workshop #1

March 12, 2009

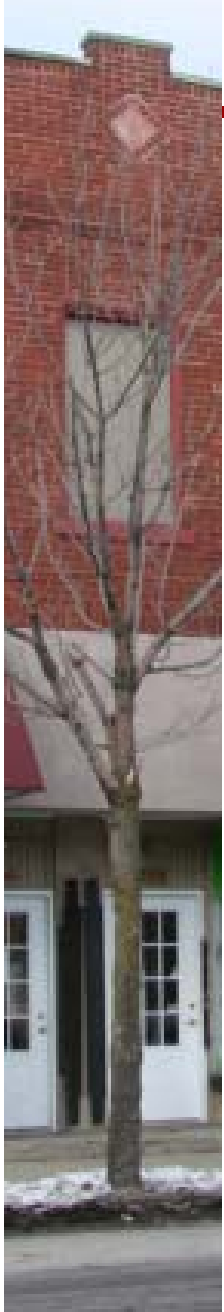


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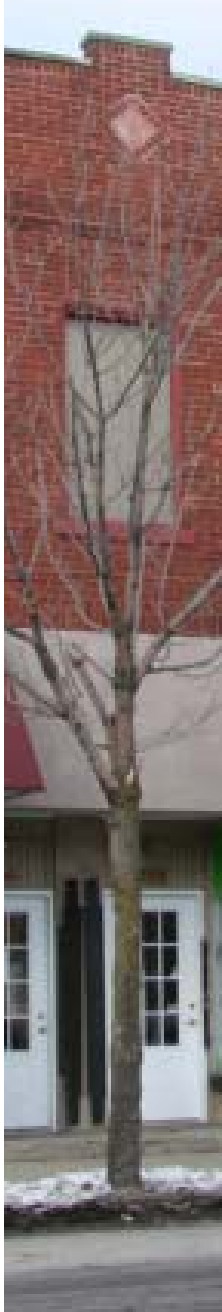
Outline

- Plan role and function
- Work program
- Policy benchmarks and best practices
- Survey and Exercises – Provide Your Feedback
- Next steps



Plan amendment role and function

- Assists neighborhood in reaching consensus on development related policies and standards
- Amendment focus is on land use and urban design policies that will serve as a basis for evaluating development proposals



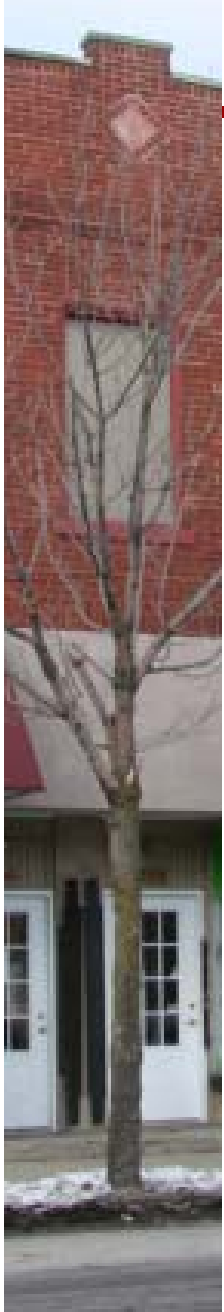
Plan amendment role and function

- Provides guidance on implementation
- Does not address safety, code enforcement, or other community development related issues



Work program

- Time Frame (approximately 1 year)
- 6 Phases
 - 1) Data/Analysis/Preliminary Outreach
 - 2) Issue Identification
 - 3) Visioning
 - 4) Plan Amendment Development
 - 5) Plan Amendment Finalization
 - 6) Plan Amendment Adoption



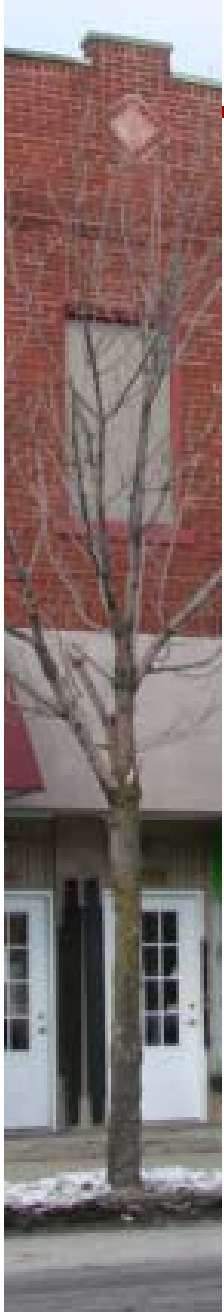
Plan Amendment Elements

- Introduction
- Existing Conditions
- Plan
 - Urban Design
 - Land Use
- Implementation



Amendment

- Land Use and Urban Design plans:
 - Build upon existing plans
 - Build upon existing uses
 - Highlight development opportunities
 - Determine how development policies may be applied to neighborhood
- Key issues to address are density and design



Policy benchmarks

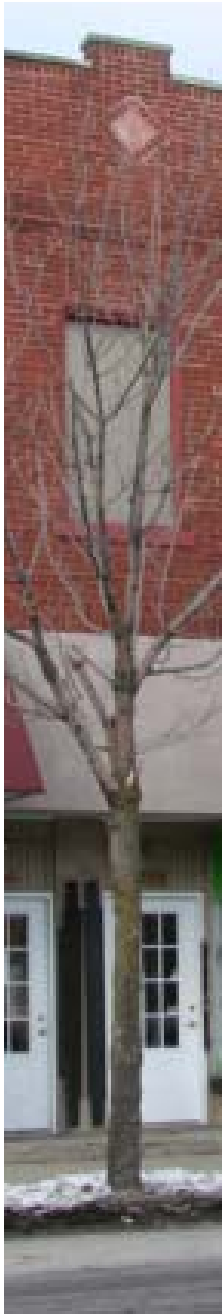
- This plan amendment will refer to and build upon Planning Division's Policy Benchmarks and Best Practices Manual
- These policies address common land use, design, and other development related matters for all city neighborhoods
- The planning process will determine how policies apply to Greater Hilltop



Policy benchmarks

Policies aim to implement overall development principles, including:

- Open space and critical environmental areas will be preserved
- Neighborhoods will have a vibrant mix of uses (residential, retail, office)
- Neighborhoods will have an increased range of housing options
- New development will respect community character and historic features



Exercises & Surveys

- Development Issue Survey



- Development Opportunity Station

- Land Use Station



- *All comments will be recorded and the top priorities identified will be summarized and posted on the website and shared at the next Public Workshop*



Next steps

- 2nd Public Workshop: Date To Be Determined
- How can your neighbors become involved?
 - Attend the Public Workshops
 - Submit Input via the Plan Website:
www.columbus.gov
CLICK “Neighborhood” tab
SELECT Neighborhood Plans and Overlays
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