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Subject: RE: Smart Growth Planning Grant

Date: January 20, 2023 at 1:12 PM

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Thanks, Danny. This information is all part of the steps to educate and build the support and political will that must be taken to make the determination on applying for the grant.

Thanks,

Judy

From: Danny Lapin <dannyrlapin@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, January 20, 2023 12:18 PM

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Subject: Re: Smart Growth Planning Grant

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Hi Judy:

thank you for your email. I would respectfully dispute your statement that the grant program for a zoning code update requires a wholesale update to the comprehensive plan. The common council adopted the form based code for the MU-1 District, and as part of the review associated with that found it was consistent with the 2018 plan. The U district code is underway as far as I understand, as well.

The only issue that would necessitate a comp plan update prior to a zoning code update would be if the plan was completed prior to zoning being contemplated or it was so old that the policies/goals/objectives were irrelevant to today's development environment. The current zoning code, with the exception of the MU-1 FBC, was developed five years prior to the comp plan and poses constraints to the city's housing efforts.

Plus, the review criteria in the application for a zoning code update wouldn't apply to the city's adopted plan. I'd be happy to assist with examining the application criteria and identifying a path forward for integrating the smart growth principles into a code update.

Best,

Danny

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 20, 2023, at 10:45 AM, Judy Pangman <jpangman@oneonta.ny.us> wrote:

Hi Jared,

We understand that the Smart Growth subcommittee has discussed the possibility of our applying for the Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant program in the CFA.

Since, if awarded, the grant would require an update to the Comprehensive Plan to include Smart Growth principles, with the associated changes to zoning regulations to be able to meet the goals in the updated Comprehensive Plan, Common Council's support for the project and the political will to make these changes need to be built before we would apply for the funding. We would not proceed with the application and the project and risk the grant funding unless we are confident that proposed Comprehensive Plan update and zoning changes will be adopted.

The following initial steps should be taken to determine if we will be able to submit the application:

1. Smart Growth Subcommittee
 - a. Define the scope of the grant
 - i. Identify initial Smart Growth principles that would be included in the Comprehensive Plan Update
 - ii. Identify the zoning regulations needed to be able to meet the Smart Growth principles included in the Comp Plan update
 - b. Make Recommendations to the Housing Commission
2. Housing Commission
 - a. Build political will for the potential updates to the Comp Plan and zoning regulations through the
 - i. Legislative Committee
 - ii. Common Council
 1. Discuss with City Administrator who will determine if there is staff capacity to undertake the planning project, determine project timing, etc.

Thanks,

Judy

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From: Jared Shue <jaredshue@gmail.com>
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Good morning Judy,

The Smart Growth group is currently discussing the Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program that will be released this summer. Is this something that the city has already been looking into or plans on applying for? I just want to make sure the group is focusing our efforts effectively.

Thanks,
Jared