**New Cut/Taylor Corridor Study**

**2/10/21**

**Meeting goal:** Discuss recommendations, current relevance, and obstacles to improvements

**Attendees:** CM Fox, CM George, Janet Heston, CM Holton-Stewart, Vince Jarboe, Director King, Bennett Knox, Barbara Nichols, Craig Oeswein, Brian Powell, Rachel Roarx,

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| **Discussion Item** | **Action**  |
| 1. **Welcome**
* Recap: Plan completed in 2012, partnerships with City Solutions Center and KY League of Cities. Taskforce informed the work.
* Taskforce member connection with the corridor & outcome from 2012

Craig Oeswein- Owner of Save A Lot since 2005. Owns ½ of the shopping center. Connected with Food Literacy. Enjoyed working with people passionate area but ultimately work was stalled due to funding. Bennett Knox- Connected through SWDE, Fairdale Business Association, Jefferson Forest. South Points promotion was ideas around connectivity were exciting. Barbara Nichols- Represented Iroquois neighbors, SLBA, and D21. Some progress was made but often compartmentalize, lacking unity. There is the need for follow through. Brian Powell- Currently serves as LA for D25. Since 2014 there’s been no conversation. CM Holton- Stewart- Interest in mobility and enhancing connections east to west in D25. CM Fox- Would like to get rid of one of the Manslicks and has discussed renaming with Rep Donahue. Director Mike King- Had some involvement in 2012. Sees the plan as still very relevant. Would love to work on next steps. Possible updates are need to MTP in order to add to SHIFT. Janet Heston- Has a personal connection to the corridor and is focus on safety enhancements. Has started a nonprofit to honor her son. Sees relevance of the plan. Had 1.4 of the plan been implemented her son may not have been the victim of a pedestrian fatality. Vince- Business owner, SWDT, 7 out of 10 cars is speeding only the stretch from Southern Pkwy to Palatka. Enhancements to the cross walk at Kenwood and New Cut are needed. Per Jeff Brown pedestrian numbers don’t warrant a flashing light.  |  |
| 1. **Review of Recommendations**
* What recommendations were taskforce members most hopeful to achieve, was progress made, reasoning, what can we do now?

**Land use:** No progress on Planned Development District i.e. specific type of zoning – write your own zoning. You can right size developments with flexibility, stream line development review process, etc. No progress on Southern anchor rezoning to C-2. Had it all been rezoned it would have promoted more commercial/mixed use. Spot zoning has continued. **Mobility:** Trees needed to create more of a parkway feel, slow down traffic. For lane reconfiguration to be considered updated traffic counts are needed: 12,000 or less- No problem12-18,000- PossibleOver 20,000- Difficult to justify **Economic Development:** Most of the focus was directed at Colonial Gardens with noted success. Work to identify developers for the northern and southern anchors did not occur in a coordinated way. **Corridor Identity:** Per Barbara, signage mostly fell to Parks, funding was in question and ultimately a low priority | **Action:** Director King will discuss possibility of creating a Planned Development District with LMHA and P&D services. **Action:** Request new traffic counts, ensure Taylor/New Cut are in the MTP. Work with KYTC needed.  |
| 1. **Next Steps- “Planning is not enough”**
* Continuation of work?
* Craig is happy to contribute with a focus on what’s achievable.
* Bennett- Interested in some level of convening with a focus on design elements that create a parkway feel.
* Barbara- Need to ensure all Council members are involved. Need to set priorities. Include state reps or KYTC.
* Vince- Focus on Iroquois housing. Economic development is daunting.
 | **Action:** Rachel will schedule another meeting to discuss priorities and actionable items.   |