

Lakes Subcommittee Work Program

NOVEMBER 2, 2018

JOB DESCRIPTION

The lakes subcommittee will look closely at conditions and opportunities related to lakes Tuscaloosa, Nicol, and Harris, help frame values and goals, and propose recommendations related to shape the plan. The lakes topic covers development around the lakes and use of the lakes themselves. The subcommittee may convene as a group outside of steering committee meetings and will provide updates to the planning team and committee as a whole. The subcommittee's work will consider the following topics:

1. Private property considerations particularly around Lake Tuscaloosa
 - Lakefront development (density, seawalls, trees and open space, character)
 - Impacts on water quality, erosion and sedimentation, watershed protection
 - Infrastructure (transportation and sewer/septic)
2. City side of the acquisition line (on Lake Tuscaloosa)
 - Managing the desire for docks, piers, boat houses, etc. (size, location, safety) with respect to environmental needs
3. Recreation and Tourism Opportunities and Challenges (on Lakes Tuscaloosa, Nicol, and Harris)
 - Activities (permitted and prohibited)
 - Nuisances (e.g., boat traffic)

GUIDELINES FOR OUTSIDE MEETINGS

- Subcommittees should schedule meetings through city staff. The city will provide meeting space, access to maps, etc.
- City staff will serve as the facilitators for the meeting – agenda preparation, meeting notification, and provide resources
- For each meeting, subcommittees should provide a summary of discussion topics and key outcomes
- All meetings will be open to the public
- Consultant team members may be available via phone or video conference to answer questions

Lakes Subcommittee Proposed Meeting Sequence **DRAFT**

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PROPOSED MEETING SEQUENCE

The following is a proposed sequence of three meetings that is provided as a guide. The subcommittee may choose to meet more than three times.

Meeting 1: Understanding the issues and articulating desired outcomes (prior to November 7, 2018). Before you meet, review the Lakes Conditions 101 (dated 10/25/18). During the meeting, provide responses to the following questions:

1. What should be the desired outcomes of the plan related to the lakes topics above? You can be as specific or as general as you are comfortable, but you do not need to propose specific solutions yet (how this is achieved). Examples could be “water quality of the lakes system is protected,” or “future development within the Lake Tuscaloosa watershed preserves open space and sensitive natural features.” If these outcomes are described in general terms, you may also consider how you will know that we are successful.
2. What other information will be critical for you to understand in order to make or support specific recommendations?

Meeting 2: Mapping Recommendations (possibly late January or February): This meeting will focus on developing map-based components of the plan. Details will be provided at a future steering committee meeting. This meeting will address the following questions related to where certain policies or recommendations should apply. This work will address these questions:

1. What types of development should be supported within the lakes area and where?
2. What areas should be preserved or protected from development?

Meeting 3: Policies, projects, programs (prior to steering committee meeting 7): This meeting will focus on developing specific recommendations for the lakes in terms of projects, policies, and programs to achieve the desired outcomes. Examples will be provided at a future steering committee meeting.