Steering Committee Meeting Agenda
6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
October 12, 2021
Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Steering Committee Members Present: Alan Hall; Andrea Golden; Bruce Snelson; Nancy Waldrop; Chris Joyell; Damon Hearne; Debbie Lane; Dede Styles; Iliana Hernandez; Jennifer Billstorm; Kareen Boncales; Karl Koons; Kevan Frazier; Megan Robinson; Rich Lee; Robin Merrell; Ron Dumas; Virginia Ward; Sarah Nicholas; Kit Cramer, Brandon Bryant.

Staff Present: Nathan Pennington; Gillian Phillip; Haylee Madfis; Shannon Capezzali; Sybil Tate

Consultants Present: David Becher, Kim Williams, Carl Ribaudo, Matt Hutchins, Geoff Green, Addie Sherman; Alex Smith, Leigh Anne King, Nathan Slaughter, Kristy Carter

Introductions and Ice Breaker
Consultants, Staff, and Steering Committee members introduced themselves; indicated where they lived and provided two reasons they continue to live in Buncombe County.

Project Status Update
Staff and consultants updated the Steering Committee regarding the status of the project. This included the series of kick off meetings that had been conducted this week, and awareness initiatives staff had engaged in.

Brainstorming Long-Range Opportunities and Objectives (Full Group)
Led by the consultants, Steering Committee members brainstormed long range opportunities by specific planning topics. Topics included the following:

1. Land use, housing, and transportation
2. Working lands and rural protection
3. Environment, recreation, and community health
4. Resiliency and hazard mitigation
5. Sustainable development and infrastructure
6. Economic Development
7. Other Topics

Defining Public Engagement Objectives
The consultants shared example public engagement objectives and the Board as a whole discussed what they wished for Buncombe County’s public engagement objectives should be.

Next Steps/Questions
Steering Committee requested information be provided to the committee prior to the meeting.