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City seeks resident input to Comprehensive Plan

Steering Committee's invites public to give feedback on Facebook page

Residents have an opportunity to participate in surveys on Facebook to help the City of Batavia Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee obtain feedback about important issues in the community.

Currently, the City of Batavia is in the process of updating its 1997 Comprehensive Plan. As part of this planning process, the City has worked with its Steering Committee and planning consultant on a Facebook Page, which can be found at the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/BataviaCP2017/>

The Comprehensive Plan will outline a vision for the City's future as well as a set of specific goals and objectives.

"For the Comprehensive Plan to be a successful project, we will need engagement from the public, which means that the more input from Batavia residents and business owners that we receive, the better," said Jason Molino, City of Batavia Manager. "Our first step in soliciting feedback from residents was the open house that allowed residents to use sticky notes and help define what they like about the city today and where they want to see us going tomorrow," said Molino.

"The opinions of City residents will provide the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee with useful information as we begin the process of visioning and developing a list of short- and long-term priority actions," said Eugene Jankowski Jr., City of Batavia Council President. The Plan, which is scheduled to be adopted in 2017, will help the City Council set policies, shape the growth, and enhance the quality of life in Batavia.

Questions on the survey will cover issues such as downtown and neighborhood revitalization, natural resources, alternative energy and pedestrian connectivity. The results will be reported as a compilation. The City's planning consultants, Elan Planning & Design, will analyze the results. The project is funded in part by a grant from NYSERDA with the balance from the City's general fund.

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If you would like more information, please visit the Facebook link posted above or contact the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee via email at bataviacp2017@gmail.com. The Committee's outreach process will continue this fall with a second Public Workshop, details of which will be announced on Facebook and the City's website, www.batavianewyork.com, in the coming weeks.

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