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“Town hall meeting scheduled to discuss comprehensive plan”



City of Norfolk Planner Valerie Grimes looks over a City of Norfolk map. A town hall meeting has been scheduled to discuss a new comprehensive plan for Norfolk.

A new comprehensive plan is in store for the community of Norfolk. On Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 5:30 pm, City of Norfolk staff along with a consultant team will be conducting a town hall meeting at the City Council Chambers at 309 N. 5th Street to start the planning process that will update Norfolk's comprehensive plan.

“The comprehensive plan sets the tone for the future development of the city. Many decisions related to housing, commercial development, industrial and employment opportunity, roads and utilities, parks and open space, land use, and other elements of the community are based in the vision, goals, and implementation strategy set by the comprehensive plan,” said Valerie Grimes, City of Norfolk Planner.

During this town hall meeting, the project team will be presenting key findings of the existing conditions analysis. Also, they will be asking for citizen participation in the project through defined focus groups and online input.

“Most importantly, the project team will be asking you to provide your thoughts and perspectives regarding issues facing the community and your desired future vision of the community,” Grimes said.

She added that, for the planning process and the resulting plan to be effective, it is important that a wide range of residents and business owners in the community participate in opportunities such as this town hall meeting.

“With increased participation, the resulting plan will reflect a future direction that elected officials, business and community leaders, and individuals can cooperatively work toward accomplishing. Norfolk's quality of place is dependent upon the involvement and commitment of its citizenry in setting the course for future development,” Grimes said.

Questions regarding this event and the project may be directed to Grimes at 402-844-2280.